

# A Collaborative Approach to IT

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# Collaborative Approach to IT



Becoming a more effective and efficient government through the use of advanced technology and cooperation

# Prelude





- Separate IT Operations for Police
- Client Server Applications Citywide

### **Results:**

- + Authority within Department
- Lack of Technical Depth & Resources

# What Happened Next?



**Changes in Citizen & Business Expectations** 

- Technology growth, both computing & telecommunications bandwidth
- Business Investment In & Adoption of Technology
- Growth in the Adoption of the Internet by Citizens/Consumers
- Technology viewed as answer to improvement

## IT Strategic Planning Process



#### **Appointed Technology Steering Team**

- Maximize value from investment
- Implement a high level of coordination & planning
- **Develop a multi-year strategy**
- Establish technical standards

#### **Each group followed a four-step process**

- **1.** Assess current conditions, inventory existing resources
- **2. Identify needs**
- **3. Recommend actions**, both immediate and long term
- **4.** Coordinate with other subcommittees

IT Subgroups Connectivity GIS Office Automation & Hardware Imaging Internet Training and Support WMS

# The Significance of Partnerships

## **Cost Sharing**



### Expertise

### Interdependence

# Blocks or Opportunities?

Technical/Human

- Internal & External Expertise
- Flexible Funding
- Hardware and Software
- Interfacing between Systems
- Experience
- Security



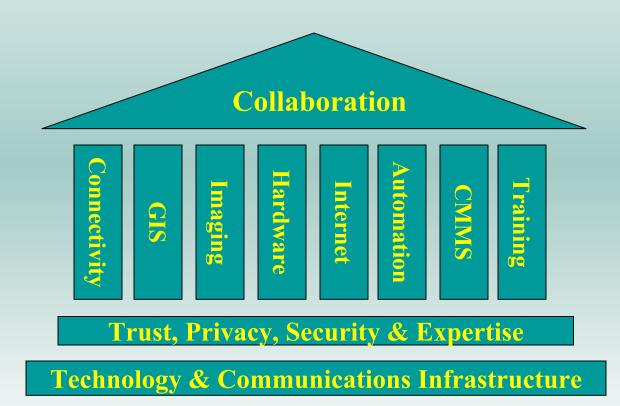
# Partners



- Departments
- Governments
- Agencies
- Vendors/Consultants
- Fraternal Organizations
- Educational Institutions

Do the Interdependence Test

# Building a Collaborative IT Structure



# End Results



## Internet

- Street Services/Community College
  + Free Internet Access/Campus Connectivity
- Street Services/E-Gov
  - + Improved Business Focus/Electronic Media
- E-Gov/Consultants
  - + Affordable Tools/New Products & Credibility
- City/Cable Operators
  - + Fiber Network/Franchise
- E-Gov/Groups
  - + Affordable Tools/Improved Exposure
- E-Gov/MIS/Departments
  - + Growth, Quality, Affordability & Convenience

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# Integrated Voice & Data Systems



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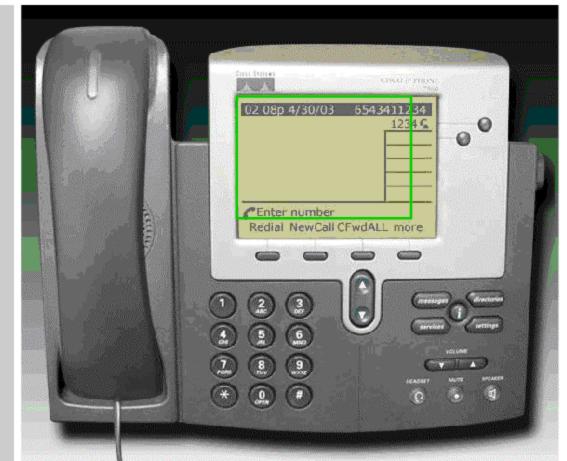
- + Upgraded Phone System/Video Surveillance & Data Services
- UBO/Water Utilities
  - + IPCC System/IVR Systems
- EOC/Water Utilities
  - + Affordable Redundancy



- MIS/Departments
  - + Affordable, Shared Cabling System
  - + Accessible Technology
  - + Improved Training Opportunities

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## GIS & Work Management System

- MIS/Departments
  - + Upgraded Base Map/Shared Hardware & Support
- City/Appraisal District & MPO
  - + Access to Layer/Shared Hardware & Support
- GIS/Business Groups
  - + Community Support/Access to Spatial Data
- MIS/Educational Institutions
  - + Technical Support/Learning Ground
- GIS Users/Work Management Users
  - + Affordable Hardware/Software/GIS Spatial Data
- Customer Call Center/Departments
  - + Access to GIS & WMS/Affordable Call Support

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## Quick Links - GIS Base Map



## Hardware Consolidation

### **MIS/Departments**



Affordable Storage Area Network/Lower Cost & Reduced Responsibility



Improved Dependability through Clustering of Servers/Lower Cost, Improved Access & Performance

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## Standardization

## MIS / Departments



One Desktop System & One Vendor/Lower Costs, Increased Dependability & Access to Current Technology, Convenience



One Office Suite & One Vendor/Lower Costs, Increased Dependability & Access to Current Technology, Convenience



One HelpDesk System/Lower Costs, Increased Dependability & Convenience



SOFTWARE	
Microsoft Office XP Professional Suite	WinZip
Novell Client	Acrobat Reader
GroupWise Client	PeopleSoft (where applicable)

Questions?