

Technical Infrastructure for WiseWalk

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JUNE 1, 2014

4:00PM

CONFERENCE ROOM

MEETING CALLED BY	Ashley Soo
TYPE OF MEETING	Planning meeting for technical infrastructure
NOTE TAKER	Louise Ciccone
ATTENDEES	Ashley Soo, Nicole Contaxis, Louise Ciccone, Stefani Germanotta, Roger Nelson

Agenda topics

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MAP API

STEFANI GERMANOTTA

DISCUSSION	The app should use a map API in order to cut down on the amount of coding we need to do in order to finish the app. Angus Young presents a report on four possible APIs to use, including Google Maps, Microsoft Bing, OpenLayers, and Mapquest.	
CONCLUSIONS	Due to its widespread use and possible network effects, Angus suggests that we use Google Maps, even though the other options had certain benefits. The Committee supports Angus's decision, and we agree on the use of the Google Map API	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Integrate existing coding with the Google Maps API	Stefani Germanotta	June 14, 2014

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COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS

ROGER NELSON

DISCUSSION	In order for the app to work, we need to have close relationships with the police and city governments of our test city. Roger has been in touch with several agencies, including the police department, the Department of Public Works, and several neighborhood watches, and he reports on his experiences with these groups.	
CONCLUSIONS	While the police department offered the most resistance, all of the organizations were excited that they would be receiving more data about the safety of people who chose to walk. Most of the organizations have requested information packets about the app.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Create information packets for each organization	Roger Nelson	July 1, 2014
Contact similar groups in neighboring areas for future use	Roger Nelson	Sept. 1, 2014

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CELL PHONE RECEPTION DISCUSSION

NICOLE CONTAXIS

DISCUSSION	Nicole presents a report on cell phone reception coverage throughout the city and talks about how certain areas could present problems to users. The Hollywood Hills is a particular issue. Data from cell phone providers is presented as well as information about future cell phone towers being put in.	
CONCLUSIONS	Luckily, many of the places that have bad reception do not lend themselves for walking in general. The Hollywood Hills, for example, do not have sidewalks and houses are far away from one another. However, we also decided that we need to stay up to date about cell phone coverage.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Create map of cell phone coverage and future tower placements	Nicole Contaxis	July 1, 2014

DISCUSSION	Ashley presents a report on how we can allow people to sign into the app using Facebook and other types of integration we might want, including sharing incidents on Facebook and not just signing in through the network. She discussed other options as well, including partnering with Instagram so that people can share photos of the infrastructure problems.	
CONCLUSIONS	We decided that signing in through Facebook was imperative, but that sharing incidents through Facebook and photos of incidents through Instagram was not a top priority.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Contact Facebook about signing in using their system	Ashley Soo	July 1, 2014
Create plan for future partnerships	Ashley Soo	Sept. 1, 2014