Why a decision support tool?

How the City of Philadelphia identifies, analyzes, and prioritizes its public safety investments

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Asset Intelligence Efforts in the City of Philadelphia

- IWAMS, Integrated Workplace Asset Management System
- InVision, a Move and Space Management System
- **Public Safety Facilities Management GIS-based decision Support Tool**
- Trust for Public Land Smart Cities Effort
- 5G Siting Efforts
So what pain in decision making do you feel?

- Philadelphia Pain includes:
  - Number One: It's old!
  - It can’t grow outward, so assets must be programmed efficiently and located strategically
  - There’s only so much money to go around
  - There are competing funding sources … and competing politics … that influence siting of assets

Trivia Question: So – how do you take politics out of the equation?
Trivia Answer:

You can’t! But...

- You can minimize the impacts by creating a good model for decision support
- You can use your knowledge of real world circumstances to your advantage
- You can deliver a solution that provides executives and stakeholders with a “sober, disinterested advice” approach
- There’s no guarantee that they’ll actually take it!
Public Safety Facilities Management
GIS-based Decision Support Tool

- Helps Police and Fire Departments determine capital investments
- Multivariate, Statistically validated tool to determine best use in multiple scenarios
- Adjustable based on newly developing circumstances
- The Tool Demo
Conclusion

- Asset Intelligence in the City focuses on:
  - Knowing where assets are and what is spent on them
  - Using that knowledge to guide investment decisions in a more apolitical environment
  - Working with internal and external stakeholders, asset intelligence can be distributed and utilized for economic, environmental and sustainable goals.