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Al Ain Municipality constitutes one of several departments within the Municipal Affairs Authority. It is a government institution basically directed to serve Al Ain Area, which covers Al Ain City and the neighboring outskirts.

Abstract

Al Ain Municipality Department was established in 1967. An Emiri Decree was issued in 1974 AD to control and regulate the city's affairs. It was after that date that Al Ain Municipality started to function as a government department that is directed to provide wide range services to Al Ain City; Al Ain has an area of 13,700 Sq Km.

Vision

Distinctive Municipality and sustainable Development for the Oasis city

Mission

We offer differentiated municipal services through competent human capital and state of art systems, for Al Ain City and its districts while maintaining its unique characteristics and authenticity

GIS Profile

The GIS in Al Ain Municipality: GIS is part of Spatial Data Department of the Town Planning and Survey Sector.

In 1982 Al Ain Town Planning Department embarked on an innovative project to build a computerized mapping system and database for selected parts of the Eastern Region. In addition to the topographic and planimetric mapping, all underground utilities were also located.

(AAM SDD) is responsible for creation, maintenance and distribution of all geographic data. This department has highly skilled GIS staff that participates in the data management process, and provides support in creation of maps and use of GIS applications within all departments of the Municipality. (AAM SDD) is also responsible for all surveying activities. They worked closely with Land Registration Section to build a Land Management System as well.

GIS Data: Major data sets maintained by the (AAM SDD) can be classified into: Geodetic Network Data, Topographic Base Mapping Data, Cadastral and Property Mapping Data and Utility Mapping Data.

Technology Infrastructure: (AAM SDD) uses modern hardware, software and network architecture that is continuously being upgraded and enhanced.

Al Ain Municipality Spatial Data Department (AAM SDD) same as other municipalities in DMA became a member entity in the Abu Dhabi Spatial Data Infrastructure (AD-SDI) community from early 2007.

SDI Involvement

Since then, AAM is working actively with DMA, ADSIC and the AD-SDI Community to collaborate and coordinate on several areas including:

- Large scale basemap update for Al Ain Region: the project was completed by June 2009. A routine maintenance process is initiated by AAM
- Coordination between the Town Planning department at AAM and other departments such as building permits and roads to strengthen transactional basemap updating
- Work with the AD-SDI Community to develop common AD-SDI data content standards for large scale basemap and utilities
- Coordination with the AD-SDI Community for the development of a unique building geocode to support community facilities and geocensus 2010
- Other areas of collaboration including active participation and contribution to specific working groups such as geodetic control network, land use/ land cover, street addressing and others

Best Practice: (AAM SDD) earned several awards as: in April 2007 "Map Middle East - Dubai" AWARDS of best exhibitor, in April 2008 "Map Middle East - Dubai" Two AWARDS of best exhibitor and best poster and in August 2009 "Map Asia - Singapore" AWARDS of best exhibitor in GIS.

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