

Report on the Northwest Corner of Section 32, T.29N., R22W., 4th P.M.

It is our recommendation that the position for the northwest corner of Section 32, T.29N., R.22W be held at its present location, as monumented by a concrete monument. This existing monument replaced a 6 foot iron pipe that was set in 1963.

Original evidence of the Public Land Survey corner has not been found. The trail of evidence from the original Public Land Survey to the present position has not been found.

The prior location of this corner was to a granite monument 1.03 East from the existing corner. The granite monument was tied into the head walls of the railroad tunnel which exists today. Those ties existed prior to 1889 and were used on some subsequent surveys until 1963.

On February 28, 1963, the city surveyor set a 6 foot pipe for the corner and adjusted the ties to the head walls. Those ties fit the existing concrete monument as measured to the head walls now. These ties put the present monument 1.03 feet west from the prior granite monument.

The prior granite monument may have been established from the County and City dependent resurvey of the late 1880's. Much of the record evidence indicates that as a possibility, although not entirely. There are some record surveys that seem to have discrepancies. The north line of Section 32, T.29N., R.22W has problems, most of which, have to do with the north quarter corner.

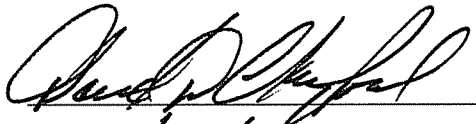
We believe it is prudent to leave the corner in its present position for the following reasons:

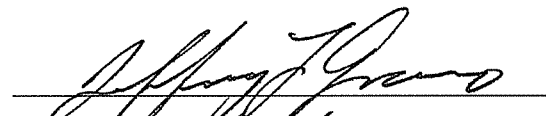
1. We are not sure where the actual position of the original corner would have been located.
2. We feel that positions established in the late 1800's dependent resurvey (the so-called standard survey) are very reasonable in the absence of original evidence. In this particular case we believe the evidence of the granite monument's position may be questioned based on some of the conflicting surveys.
3. The city surveyor in 1963 changed the ties in Field Book 293 copy, page 32. We have no evidence of why the ties were changed. We believe the city surveyor had some appropriate reason for changing the ties. Until the present the city surveyors who followed accepted and used the present location. Therefore we feel we can not give sufficient support to moving the corner from its present location.

It is obvious that any future evidence that would further enforce the previous granite monument's location may add sufficient evidence to relocate to that position. Any evidence that proves where the corner would have been originally placed would certainly require re-monumenting the corner at the original location.

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