

STATE OF MICHIGAN



John Engler, Governor

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Arthur E. Ellis, Director

INFORMATION MEMORANDUM NO. 9

DATE: January 20, 1995

TO: County Grant Administrators
County Representatives

FROM: Gaylord H. Yund, Acting Executive Director
Survey and Remonumentation Commission

SUBJECT: Remonumentation/Minimum Standards for Monumentation

Please note the attached Attorney General's opinion that was recently provided to the Survey and Remonumentation Commission concerning minimum standards for monumentation. We are forwarding this Attorney General's opinion to you for your information and reference.

If you have any questions, please contact the Survey and Remonumentation office at the numbers listed below.

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Attachment

DEPARTMENT OF
ATTORNEY GENERAL

MEMORANDUM

January 10, 1995

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TO: Gaylord H. Yund
Property Development Division
Department of Commerce

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 FROM: Russell E Prins
Assistant-in-Charge
Revenue Division

RE: Remonumentation/Minimum Standards for Monumentation

You have requested my advice concerning certain provisions of the State Model Plan relating to monumentation.

In particular you ask:

Does the State Model Plan require an in-place corner marker which meets or exceeds the minimum standards as specified in Act 74, P.A. 1970, be removed and the county adopted standard marker be installed in its place?

It is my advice that removal and remonumentation are not required in such instances.

Appendix C to the State Model Plan provides:

APPENDIX C - MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR MONUMENTATION

The permanent marker set at the location of the corner shall be set in conformance with Act 74, of the Public Acts of 1970, as amended, being Sections 54.201 to 54.214 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

The county shall adopt standardized markers and/or caps to be utilized when remonumentation is necessary.

The text requires a new standardized marker be placed only when remonumentation is necessary.

"Re monumentation" is defined by the plan as follows:

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(D) Remonumentation means to install a marker where:

- 1) the existing marker does not meet minimum standards as specified;
- 2) the existing marker is in danger of becoming "lost" or "obliterated"; or
- 3) the corner has been "lost" or "obliterated."

Remonumenting is not called for by the model plan if the current monument or marker "meets or exceeds the minimum standards specified" in 1970 PA 74, MCL 54.201.

When remonumenting is necessary the use of standardized markers and/or caps is called for. The county representative is to select, i.e. designate the standard markers and/or caps to be utilized. [See Model Plan, V Plan Execution, (C).]

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