MEMORANDUM

Date: February 20, 2019

To: The Honorable Chairman and Members
    Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry
       County Administrator

Re: Historical Uses in the Block Associated with the 1929 Historic Pima County Courthouse

Attached is a set of overlay maps that show the historical property divisions, boundaries and uses of lands underneath the 1929 Historic Pima County Courthouse.

As you know, in the recent archeological excavation for the January 8th Memorial, the investigation revealed the seat of County and City Government in the 1800s (see images) that include the foundations of the two-story City Hall facing on Court St., the one story jail to the rear of City Hall to the east, the 1868 Historic County Courthouse where the Camp Grant Massacre trial was held, Court Street and the alley that became Library or Ott Street, as well as certain remnants from the 1881 County Courthouse that was demolished to provide space for the County Courthouse and government complex to be built in 1929.

In addition, many 18th Century Presidio and Mexican Era features and artifacts have been discovered in the archeological investigation, including O'odham pottery, Spanish and Mexican ceramics, a bread oven, musket balls, buttons, a refuse area, shell jewelry, and a French pipe stem.

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Attachments

c: Linda Mayro, Director, Office of Sustainability and Conservation
The 1881 Pima County Courthouse, looking to the northeast. The cesspool is in the lawn area on the left side.

The 1929 Courthouse, looking to the northeast. Court Avenue is to the left and Pennington Street to the right.

The 1880s City Hall with the jail to the rear. Ott street is on the right side (where the people are standing).
1868 Pima County Courthouse, the defendants for the December 1871 Camp Grant Massacre trial are posed along its west side.