

224-228 N. BURDICK STREET (Commercial Building)
Kalamazoo
Kalamazoo County
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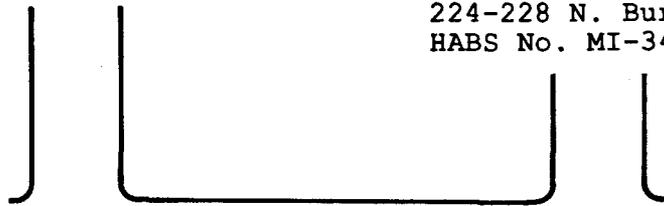
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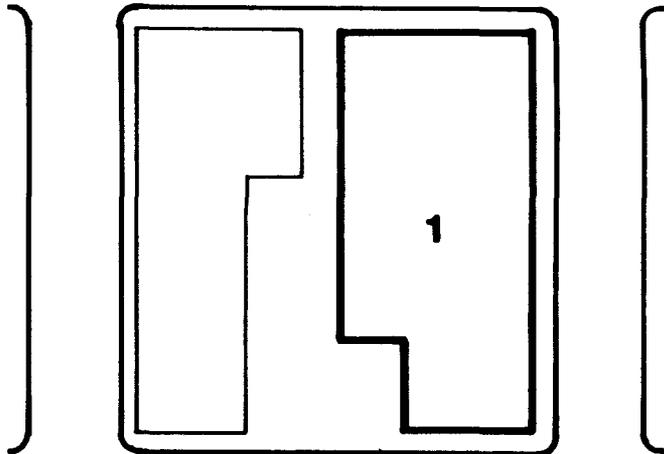
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- Location: 224-228 N. Burdick Street, Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo County, Michigan
- USGS Kalamazoo Quadrangle
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:
16.616760.4683080
- Significance: Reputed to be Kalamazoo's second commercial Italianate structure, this three-story building continued the 19th century downtown trend to structures of that style, with decorative window hoods and an elaborate panel and bracketed cornice on the front facade.
- Description: This three-story Italianate commercial structure has decorative brick window hoods and an elaborate panel and bracketed cornice on the front facade, with a plain brick facade and flat-arch lintels at the rear facade facing the alley. The front facade has seven bays, the center of which provides access to the upper levels, while the rear facade has only six bays and the access stair is offset. A skylight opening provides natural light at the interior stairwell. Only a few of the 4-over-4 double-hung sash remain in second floor window openings. Nothing remains of the original ground floor retail storefronts. The third floor is unfinished with exposed wood board floors, walls, and ceilings. The second floor is partitioned into a series of small unfinished rooms.
- History: This Italianate commercial building was erected in 1868 by James Green and William Woodhams on the site of their first commercial building, which burned that year. The building was occupied throughout its history by small businesses, including the Hanselman Candy Company, which produced the "frozen Joy Bar" from 1880-1890. The building also housed a saloon and the Kalamazoo Athletic Club. After World War II, the building housed a succession of restaurants until 1970, when it became the Factory Paint and Wallpaper Company. It was sold by owners of that concern in 1985 to the Downtown Development Company.
- Source: Kalamazoo City and County Directory, 1867-68, 1899-1905, 1921, 1931, 1942, 1950, 1960, 1970, 1980, 1985. Title and Abstract of Deeds and Mortgages, 224-228 North Burdick St. Kalamazoo, Michigan.
- Historian: Victoria Hardy, ArtSoft Management Services
September 5, 1990



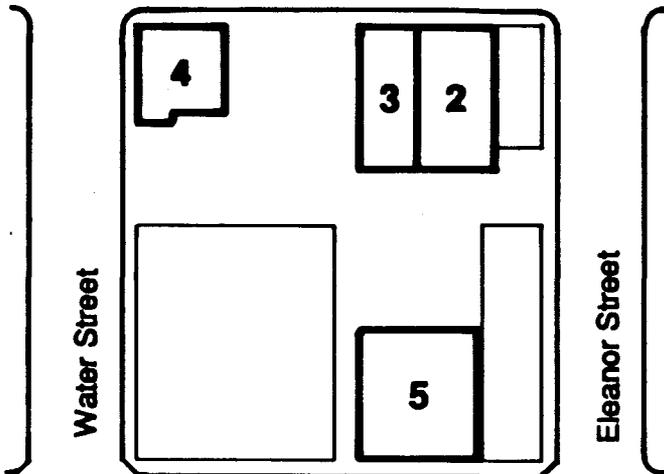
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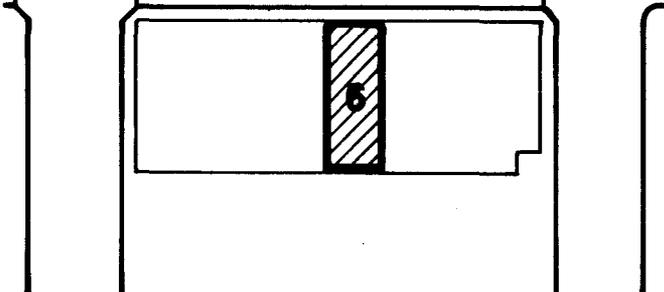
Building Key:

- 1. 239-249 N. Rose Street
- 2. 240 N. Rose Street
- 3. 230 N. Rose Street
- 4. 202-208 N. Rose Street
- 5. 239-243 N. Burdick Street
- 6. 224-228 N. Burdick Street

Rose Street

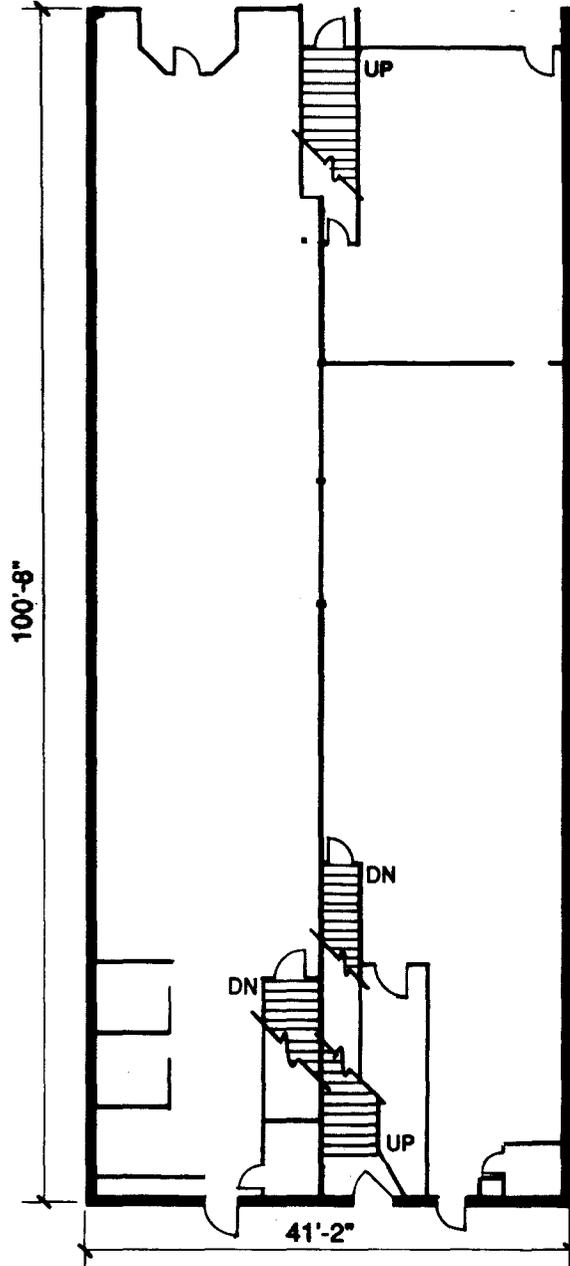


Burdick Street



Location Map

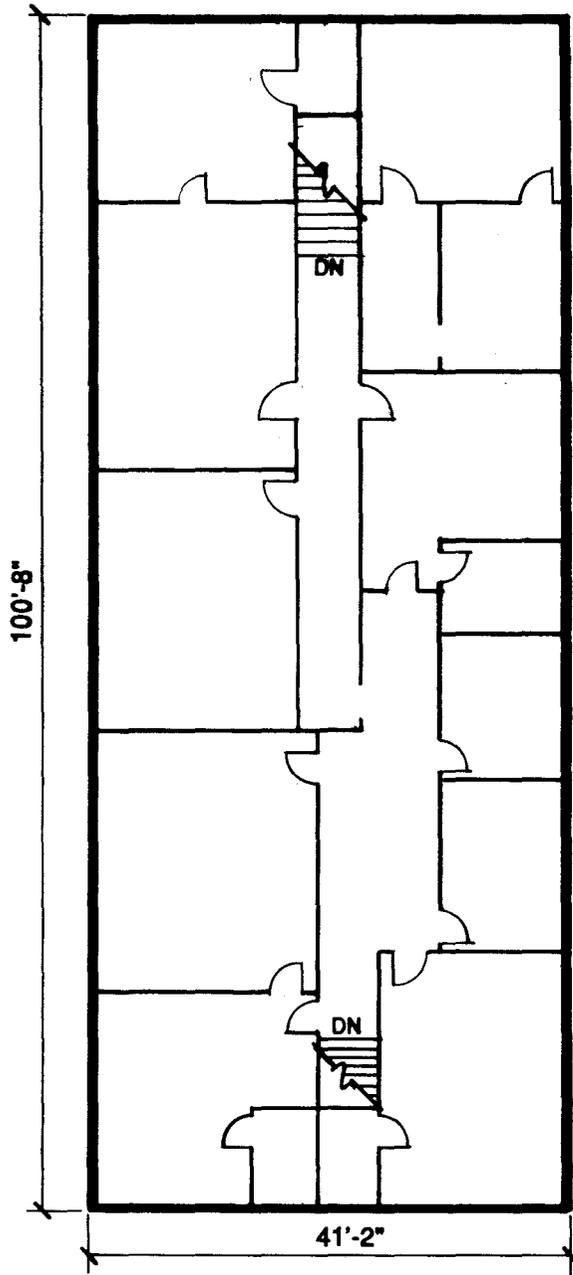
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First Floor Plan

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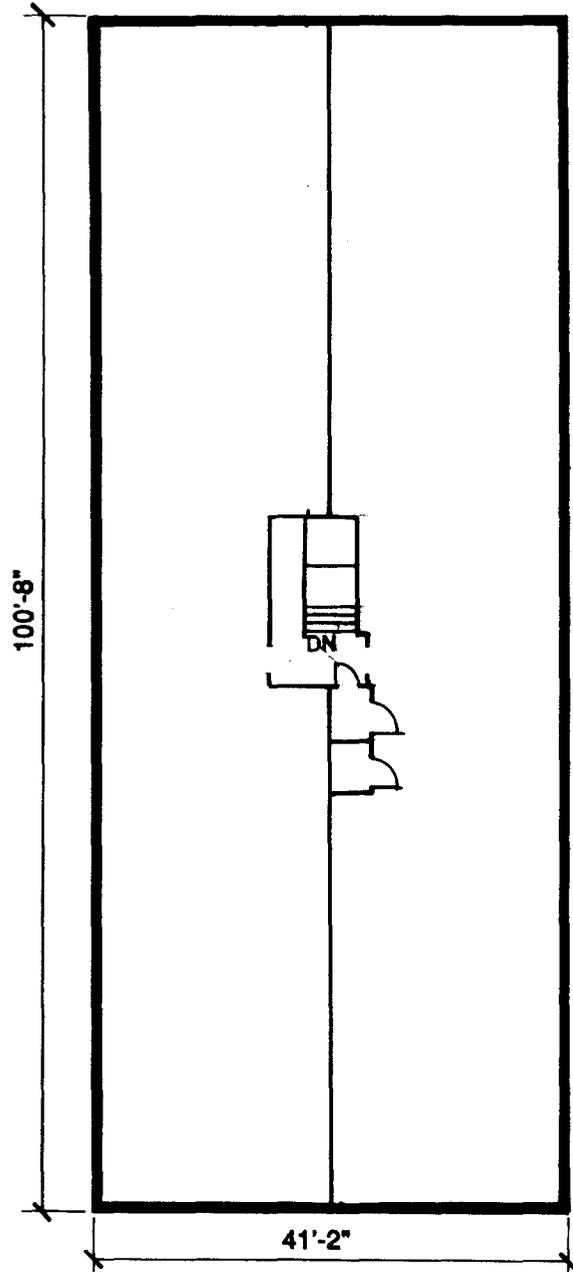
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Second Floor Plan

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Third Floor Plan

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