



104 SIXTH ST. CALUMET, MI

HOUGHTON COUNTY LAND BANK PROPERTY









Known as Hermann Flats, this two story sandstone building was built in 1898. Originally a mixed-use space this building was converted to all apartments in 1917. The building is currently very deteriorated; the roof has collapsed leaving behind the sandstone shell. Efforts are underway to stabilize the structure including removal of all structural debris and stabilizing the tops of the walls. The site is served by municipal water and sewer.



Lot Size: .11 acre



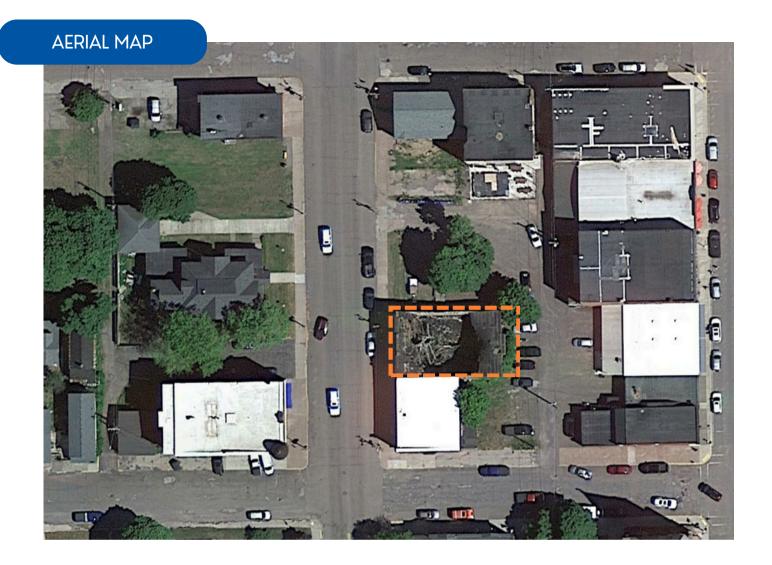
Building Size: 48' x 68'



Zoning: Downtown Commercial



Utilities: Available



EXTERIOR DIMENSIONS

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HISTORY



This place is sometimes called the City of Churches and sometimes the City of B ade in both of which we fairly revel. the floor above will contain two sets of If the improvements now started con- flats of nine rooms each; each flat will tique it will soon be entitled to be called have entrances from the front and rear the City of Flats, for now Mr. Joseph and will be supp ied with all modern im-Hermann, who lately purchas d the property lying between the residences of himself and Mr. Kinsman, intends removing the present building to the back of of 7 feet on the north side of the building. the lot and erecting in its place a very handsome building as can be seen by the above cut.

The building will be 46x68 feet and will have two stores on the first floor. provements including open fireplaces. The building will be lighted with gas. There will be a open space or light court

Mr Maass, the architect, has prepared the pans and elevations, which certainly do him considerable credit.



Joseph Hermann had this combination commercial-residential building constructed. The walls of uncoursed ashlar sandstone are complemented by a pressed metal cornice and window hoods. High-grade purer red sandstone is used on the front, while the side and rear are of a poorer grade. The 48' x 68' building had two stores on the first floor; the plate-glass windows have been replaced with brick infill. On the second floor, denoted by two pressed-metal oriels, were two flats, each of nine rooms.

This two story sandstone beauty was one of the first stone buildings to be built along the newly opened commercial corridor of 6th Street. Its first tenants included a grocer and electrical and gas fixture store. As the city began to grow in leaps and bounds, the first floor spaces became much more valuable as tenement space, and the building was fully converted into apartments by 1917 and from then on known as the Hermann Flats.