

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Delvic Building

and/or common Delvic Building

2. Location

street & number 1st Avenue and Howard Street ___ not for publication

city, town Hibbing ___ vicinity of congressional district 8th District

state Minnesota code 22 county St. Louis code 137

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name D. W. Nelson

street & number 2008 1st Avenue

city, town Hibbing ___ vicinity of state Minnesota

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Louis County Court House

street & number

city, town Duluth state Minnesota

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Delvic Building is a two storey brick building. Ornate designs grace the north and west sides along with ornate columns on the doors and an arch over the west side door. The building has had some facade reworking as a result of the letting of the first floor to a lock and gun smith, a print shop, an office equipment store, and apartments where a bank, cafe, drug store, and hotel had once been located. The bank vault remains in place in the smith shop.

The Howard Street facade is essentially divided into two major sections, each containing subdivisions created by window groupings. The corner section is divided into four subdivisions with the central two subdivisions highlighted by a stone frame. Each section has a parapet with a stone coping.

As in the Howard Street facade, the First Avenue facade is also divided into sections; in this case five sections. The end sections are subdivided into three bays, the central section into five bays, and the intermediate sections in two bays. The southermost of the intermediate sections is highlighted with a prominent arched entry with a masonry surround.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1922

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

This building is important as an example of the type of structure that was built by the mining company in its plan for Central Addition, Hibbing, as a modern well-planned community commercial center. The company planned buildings had to be a certain size, have foundations, and brick exteriors. Company architects were usually involved in their design. It also reflects the important commercial activities pursued in the private sector during the post-mining boom period. The role of company planning in communities was usually total, i.e., the company town concentrated upon the residential development, as in Coleraine and Bovey, leaving commercial development to private entrepreneurs, as U.S. Steel did in the planning and development of Gary, Indiana. In Hibbing, however, U.S. Steel and the other corporations concentrated upon control of development of the commercial center, a significant development in the role of industrial corporations in community design and development.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Sandford A. Howard, Hibbing: The Old and New (n.d.); Hibbing Daily Tribune, Jan. 20, 1920; Personal Papers of H.P. Reed, Hibbing.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property less than 1 **UTM NOT VERIFIED**
Quadrangle name Hibbing, Minn.-St. Louis Co. Quadrangle scale 7.5

UMT References **ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED**

A	<u>1</u> <u>5</u>	<u>5</u> <u>0</u> <u>4</u> <u>4</u> <u>2</u> <u>0</u>	<u>5</u> <u>2</u> <u>5</u> <u>2</u> <u>4</u> <u>0</u> <u>0</u>	B			
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

Verbal boundary description and justification

The Delvic Building is located on Lots 11 and 12, Block 12, Central Addition, Hibbing, Minnesota.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Charles Skrief, Director, State Historic Preservation Office

organization Minnesota Historical Society date September 10, 1979

street & number 240 Summit Avenue telephone 612-296-9070

city or town St. Paul state Minnesota

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Russell W. Fridley

title State Historic Preservation Officer date 6/10/80

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

W. Ray June date 7/17/80

Keeper of the National Register

Attest: Kristin O'Connell date 7/14/80

Chief of Registration