

<b>Historic Name:</b> Delano Village Hall <span style="float:right">MAR 5 1979</span>		<b>County:</b> Wright												
<b>Common Name:</b> Delano City Hall		<b>Community:</b> Delano, Minnesota												
<b>Owner's Name and Address:</b> City of Delano Delano, Minnesota 55328		<b>Address/Legal Desc.:</b> 127 River Street												
<b>Classification:</b> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structure _____ Object _____ District _____		<b>Acreage:</b> Less than 1 acre												
<b>Condition:</b> Excellent _____ Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair _____ Deteriorated _____		<b>Verbal Boundary Desc.:</b> Atwater's Addition Lots 1 and 2 Block 1												
<b>Open to the Public:</b> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	<b>Visible from the road:</b> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____													
<b>Occupied:</b> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	<b>Present Use:</b> City Hall													
<b>History:</b> Date Constructed: 1888 <span style="float:right">Original Owner: City</span> Architect/Builder: Swedebalk and Erickson <span style="float:right">Original Use: City Hall</span>		<b>UTM Reference:</b> 15 Buffalo Quad. 437950 4987700												
<b>Description:</b> The Delano City Hall is prominently located on the north-west corner of Bridge Street and Second Street in Delano's small business district. This rectangular building is two stories in height and constructed of locally manufactured brick. A three story corner tower, which originally marked the principal entry to the building, dominates the building's two major facades. Although the building does not represent a traditional architectural style, it does possess Romanesque Revival design features. These features include arched window and door openings, windows grouped within recessed arch openings, and a parapet richly decorated with brick banding and panels. The major alteration to the exterior of the Delano City Hall is the application of modern building fabric to the Bridge Street facade of the building.		<b>Level of Significance:</b> Local <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _____ State _____ Nation _____												
<b>Significance:</b> The Delano City Hall was constructed in 1888 in a simple two story, rectangular plan with a corner tower. The building's design is typical of many community government buildings built in Minnesota in that period. The City Hall has been since its construction a center of governmental and community activities and a source of local pride. In 1887 townspeople expressed the need for a city hall. On March 13, 1888, a contract was let to E.J. Swedebalk and Swan Erickson for \$3,524.00 for the construction of the present building. The bricks were purchased locally from Ed Ziebarth's brick factory near Delano. The building was completed on August 24, 1888. The first meeting in the building was held in September of that year; the second floor of the hall was used for civic activities. The first floor was used for council offices, a jail, and fire department headquarters. In 1896 a corner tower was added to the building. The building continues in 1978 to be utilized as a community center. Although a library now occupies the space used by the		<b>Status:</b> <table style="width:100%; border:none;"> <tr> <td><b>Survey</b></td> <td style="text-align:right"><b>Date</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Local</td> <td style="text-align:right">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>State</td> <td style="text-align:right">1/78</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nat'l. Reg.</td> <td style="text-align:right">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nat'l. Land.</td> <td style="text-align:right">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HABS/HAER</td> <td style="text-align:right">_____</td> </tr> </table>	<b>Survey</b>	<b>Date</b>	Local	_____	State	1/78	Nat'l. Reg.	_____	Nat'l. Land.	_____	HABS/HAER	_____
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<b>Theme/s:</b> Primary <u>Government</u> Secondary <u>Architecture</u> Other _____		<b>Local Contact/Org.:</b> Wright County Historical Society												
<b>Prepared by and date:</b> John Hackett April 1978														

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fire department, the city continues to use the first floor for offices and the second floor for community functions.

The Delano City Hall is an easily identified public building that in its architecture and its use reflects the aspirations and the history of Delano. The city hall is one of two surviving examples of early Wright County village halls. The building is in a good state of preservation.