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The Rutledge (last updated June 2025)

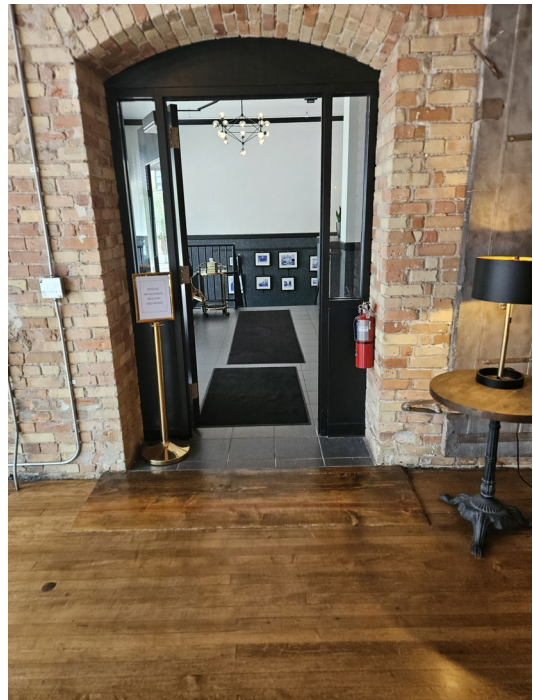
120 Ionia Ave SW, Suite 101, Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Parking.

Metered on-street parking is available directly along Ionia Avenue. Adjacent surface lots can be seen next to the building, but these are reserved exclusively for vehicles with specific parking permits. For public parking, the Cherry-Commerce Parking Garage is located nearby on Cherry Street and offers a paid parking option. Lighting for side-street parking is provided by standard street lamps.

Building Entry.

The main entrance is a single, manually operated swinging door that sits flush with the sidewalk, though there is a slight uphill incline leading to it. Upon entry,



visitors are met with a set of stairs and an elevator, either of which must be used to reach the level where The Rutledge is located.

Interior Access and Layout.

At the upper level, a second single manual door flush with the tile floor leads into the main space. Inside, the room is open and spacious, with a few structural pillars that do not significantly

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obstruct movement. The space features a piano in one corner, a bar/service desk (which lacks a lowered accessible section), and varied seating that includes couches, chairs, and a coffee table near the windows.

Lighting and Sound.

Lighting is a mix of dim, warm yellow light from exposed hanging bulbs and natural light from large windows. The space was quiet during the visit, though it is likely to be louder during events or gatherings.

Restrooms.

Restrooms are located through an archway in the back. Each is a single-user, gender-neutral room marked with "Restroom" signage on manual swinging doors. Inside, restrooms provide ample turning space, automatic sinks with knee clearance beneath, and mounted mirrors. Each restroom is equipped with two grab bars one beside and one behind the toilet.