

Real Estate Finance



- Comparison with business finance
- Real estate development process and financing
- Real estate financial statements
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Real Estate vs. Business Finance



- **Similarities to business fixed asset financing**
 - Scale of investment is large
 - Financing of physical, fixed assets
 - Need for long-term financing
- **Differences with business finance**
 - More use of debt: 3:1 or 4:1 debt to equity ratio
 - Separate construction & permanent financing
 - Competition & markets are local or regional
 - More predictable income & expenses
- **Land development vs. building development**
- **Development for lease vs. development for sale**

Three Phases of Development



- **Predevelopment**
 - Planning & design, **site control**, permitting, pre-leasing/sales, securing financing
 - Large costs with high risk and no revenue => requires equity, grants, deferred loans
- **Construction & development**
 - Site acquisition, final design & contractor selection, construction
 - Limited risk => construction or mini-perm loan and equity, bridge loans
- **Occupancy and management**
 - Asset management => permanent debt take-out
 - Retire debt, realize equity returns

RE Financial Statements: Development Budget



- Sources and uses of funds statement
- Analogous to a balance sheet
 - Acquisition, hard costs, and soft costs
 - Contingencies and reserves
 - Per square foot basis useful for comparisons
- Sources of funds
 - Debt sources, equity investments, syndication/sale of tax credits, grants

RE Financial Statements: Operating Pro Forma



- Revenue, expenses and net cash flow
- CAM, escalators, and percentage rent
 - Lease terms define revenue –key to analyze leases
- Vacancy rates
- Operating expenses
 - IREM, ULI comparable project data to analyze
 - Replacement and operating reserves
- Cash flow, debt service and net cash flow
- Supportable debt: PV of $[\text{cash flow}/\text{DSCR}]$
- Supportable equity: PV of net cash flow & expected gain on sale

Sizing Real Estate Debt: Downtown Building Example

- Start with **lowest** annual pro forma net cash flow (54,299)
- Calculate cash flow available for debt service (CFADS):
 - Divide by lender's required debt service coverage ratio (54,299/1.25 = 43,439)
- Calculate Present Value of CFADS per loan terms:
 - $PV(.08/12, 240, 43,439/12) = 432,777$

Real Estate Finance Tools



Debt

- Predevelopment loan
- Acquisition loan
- Construction loan
- Real estate mortgage
- Mini-perm loan
- Bridge loan

Equity

- Developer and investor cash equity
- Tax credit equity (historic, new market, LIHTC)

Grants

Underwriting Real Estate Loans



- **Development Team Capacity**
 - Experience & ability of development team members
 - Management company deserves special attention
- **Project cash flow risk**
 - Initial lease-up risk: will property be occupied at target rent?
 - Tenant credit risk: will tenants pay their rent?
 - Re-leasing/market risk: will space be released at target rent?
 - Operating expense risk: are operating costs adequate?
- **Collateral value and appraisals**
 - Appraisals set the market value, LTV and maximum loan
 - Quality of construction
 - Quality of maintenance and replacement funding

Real Estate Funding Gaps



- Supply of pre-development and equity financing
- Weak markets:
 - Market rents do not support development costs
 - New development is needed to change market dynamics
 - Lithgow Block example:
 - ✦ Income supported 57.5% of development costs
 - ✦ Grant/subsidy for 42.5%

Jamaica Plain Brewery Reuse

- Closed brewery complex acquired by neighborhood non-profit (JPNDC) in 1983
- Renovated in phases over 25 years
- Final phase: difficult and costly
 - Interior demolition and entire reconstruction of 68,000 square feet
 - Reuse as fitness center, retail restaurant and office space
- Home to 50 small businesses



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JP Brewery: Project Financing



Total Dev Costs	\$12,105,000
Senior Debt (Life Ins. Fund)	\$4,700,000
Historic Tax Credits (MHIC)	\$4,000,000
New Market Tax Credits (MHIC)	\$2,160,000
City of Boston Loan	\$150,000
Developer loan & deferred fees	\$1,095,000

The Auburn Mixed-Use Development



Part of multi-project and investment strategy to attract new residents to Midtown Detroit neighborhood

- Demolition and new construction project
- 58 market rate apartments
- 9,100 SF retail space
- Completed in 2012
- Hard to finance after Great Recession

The Auburn: Financing Sources



CDFI Loan	\$3.7 million
New Market Tax Credits	\$7.6 million
State Grant	\$1.0 million

- 2nd local CDFI guaranteed retail rental income
- Market rate project needed 70% subsidy
- Due to low rents and low property values in Detroit

ReFresh Development Budget



Sources	Amount	Uses	Amount
Senior Debt-GS	\$3,000,000	Acquisition	\$2,400,000
Junior Debt-LIIF	\$1,558,000	Construction	\$12,421,638
Fresh Food Financing Initiative	\$1,000,000	Soft Costs	\$2,749,754
New Orleans Redevelopment Authority	\$900,000	Developer Fee	\$610,436
NMTC Equity	\$5,491,200	Total	\$18,181,818
Whole Foods Build out	\$5,300,000	Uses	PSG
Foundation for LA Grant	\$500,000	Acquisition	\$37
Newman's Own Grant	\$250,000	Construction	\$191
Developers Equity	\$181,818	Soft Costs	\$42
Total	\$18,181,818	Developer Fee	\$9
		Total	\$279

ReFresh Proforma Year One



Tenant	Year 1	Year 5
BCC Rent	\$6,250	\$6,250
Whole Foods Rent	\$130,000	\$130,000
Liberty's Kitchen Rent	\$73,883	\$73,883
Tulane Rent	\$46,890	\$46,890
First Line Rent	\$56,250	\$56,250
Other Tenant Rent	\$127,735	\$127,735
Tenant Reimbursements-Operating Cost	\$186,624	\$206,042
Vacancy Allowance (10%)	\$62,138	\$64,170
Total Income After Vacancy	\$559,244	\$577,630
Management and Operating Expenses	\$201,071	\$226,307
NOI	\$358,173	\$351,223
Debt Service	\$339,529	\$339,529
Net Cash Flow	\$18,644	\$11,694
<i>Percentage Rent on \$15 million sales</i>	\$125,000	\$125,000

City Plaza: Supportable Debt and Financing Gap

Minimum Annual Cash Flow	\$144,550
Divide by Debt Service Coverage Ratio	1.25
= Cash Flow Available for Debt Service (144,550/1.25)	\$115,640
Supportable Mortgage Loan =PV(.08/12,240,115640/12)	\$1,152,105
Estimated Value at .11 cap rate (144,550/.11)	\$1,314,091
Maximum Senior Loan at .80 LTV (.80 * 1,314,091)	\$1,051,273
Senior Loan Amount Rounded	1,051,000
TDC (1,490,000) less grants (150,000)	1,340,000
Remaining Funding Gap (1,340,000- 1,051,000)	289,000

City Plaza: Subordinate Loan Analysis



Minimum Annual Cash Flow	\$144,550
Divide by Debt Combined Coverage Ratio	1.10
= Cash Flow Available for Debt Service	\$131,409
Less Senior Debt Service 12* pmt(.08/12, 240, 1,051,000)	\$105,492
=Cash Flow to Repay Subordinate Loan	\$25,917
Supportable Sub Loan per CF -pv(.09/12,240, 25,917/12)	\$240,045
LTV at .95 (.95*\$1,314,091), rounded	\$1,248,000
Max Sub Loan per LTV (1,248,000-1,051,000)	\$197,000
Remaining Gap (1,340,000-1,248,000)	\$92,000

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