# Risky Business

Overcoming Challenges and Attracting Investment at Brownfields Sites

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### Today's Objectives

We'll discuss actions your community can take to manage risks and liabilities and attract investment for sites in economically distressed areas.

- Various ways to address risks and liabilities related to a brownfield property.
- How to develop and use a brownfield investment package
  - What is it?
  - How can it help attract interest and potential investment?



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# Agenda

Removing Barriers – Recap (5-min)

Overcoming Challenges (10-min)

Questions (5-min)

Market Viability and Project Economics (15-min)

Questions (5-min)

Sustainable Disposition Strategy (10-min)

Attracting Investment (20-min)

Questions/Wrap up (15-min)



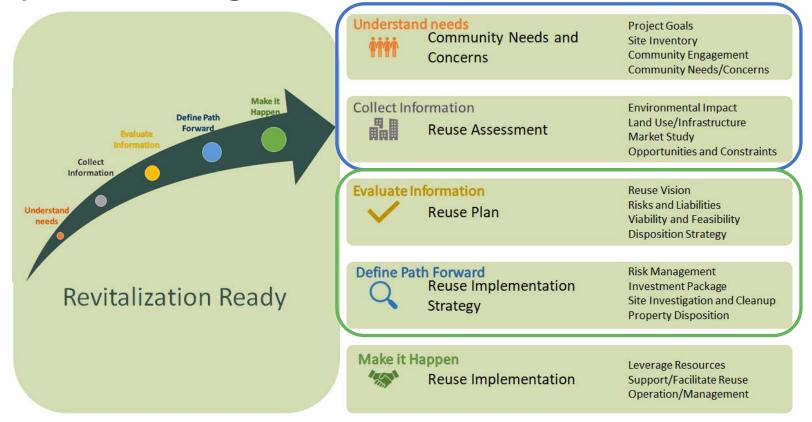


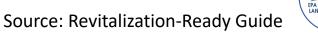


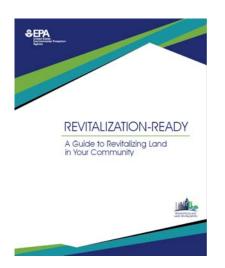
# Removing the Barriers



### Repositioning Brownfield Sites for Success







## Revitalization-Ready

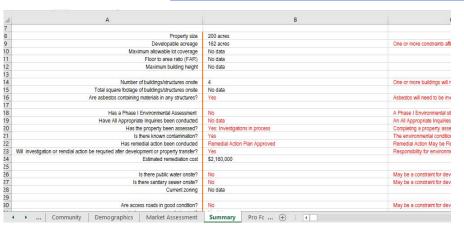
# EPA's Guide to Revitalizing Land in Your Community

- Understand needs
- Compile information
- Evaluate opportunities
- Understand constraints
- Define a path forward
- Make the reuse vision a reality

Removing the Barriers

#### **Objective**

Give communities a foundational understanding of the land revitalization process, including key questions to ask when decision- makers want to identify where expert assistance might be needed and improve communication with those experts.





# Due Diligence Process

- Due Diligence is the process of identifying attributes and characteristics of the property.
  - Environmental Due Diligence Assessing the environmental condition and regulatory issues affecting the use of the property.
    - Conducted to meet the requirements for all appropriate inquiries
  - Real Estate Due Diligence Identifying available infrastructure, accessibility, easements, zoning and other characteristics to support reuse of the property.
    - Conducted to identify attributes and characteristics about a property that affect the ability to transfer or reuse a property



#### Site Reuse Assessment

- Identifies and evaluates key attributes and strengths/weaknesses about a property
  - site documentation
  - market data
  - environmental conditions
- Findings can
  - be used to identify possible funding sources and support grant applications
  - help potential developers or buyers evaluate the property

A Site Reuse Assessment
helps communities
understand the challenges
associated with brownfields,
set realistic expectations
and prepare proactive
redevelopment strategies.





### Opportunities and Constraints Analysis

This analysis looks at the information gathered in the Site Reuse Assessment and determines how redevelopment will be supported or constrained based on these four key components:

- Site Characteristics Analysis: documents the property features, such as landscape (e.g. wetlands, floodplain, surface water, steep slopes); buildings and structures; and deeded rights (e.g. legal easements, restricted uses, water rights)
- Environmental Analysis: determines the impact of environment conditions on property reuse
- Land Use Assessment: identifies land use options consistent with land characteristics and local land use regulations
- Infrastructure Assessment: identifies current conditions (e.g. utilities, access) that may present potential
  opportunities or constraints on future uses





# Overcoming Challenges

#### **Site Description**



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Various manufacturing operations from early 1900's to 2000; abandoned since 2000

Town acquired site

Approximately 10+ acres

\$1,000,000 Appraised

Value

**Buildings** remain

National Register of Historic Places







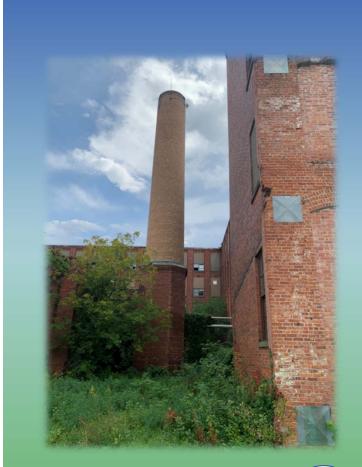


### Opportunities Identified

- South of state highway with approximately 5,500 average annual daily trips (AADT) combined for both directions
- Less than 2.5 miles from the nearest exit on Interstate
- Buildings
  - Office/Manufacturing Buildings 4-stories & basement, 135,000 sq ft
  - Boiler House 1-story & basement, 6,100 sq ft
  - Storage 1-story & basement, 5,900 sq ft
- Utilities
  - Served by municipal water and municipal power at low rates
  - Natural gas
  - Access to redundant high-speed fiber internet
- Zoning Planned District Special
  - Allows for significant development flexibility for uses, setbacks, parking ratios, and building heights, which are set by the Planning Board

#### Constraints Identified

- Environmental
  - Groundwater PCE & degradation products; petroleum hydrocarbons
    - Natural attenuation appears to be occurring
  - Soil Gas Eastern half of site
    - Vapor to indoor air; PCE, degradation products, BTEX
  - Metals in soil
    - Most surface soil samples exceed unrestricted use standards
    - Hotspots where the soil concentrations exceed state standards
- Buildings
  - Structurally sound but...
  - Asbestos
  - Lead-based paints
- 100-year flood zone









# Overcoming Challenges

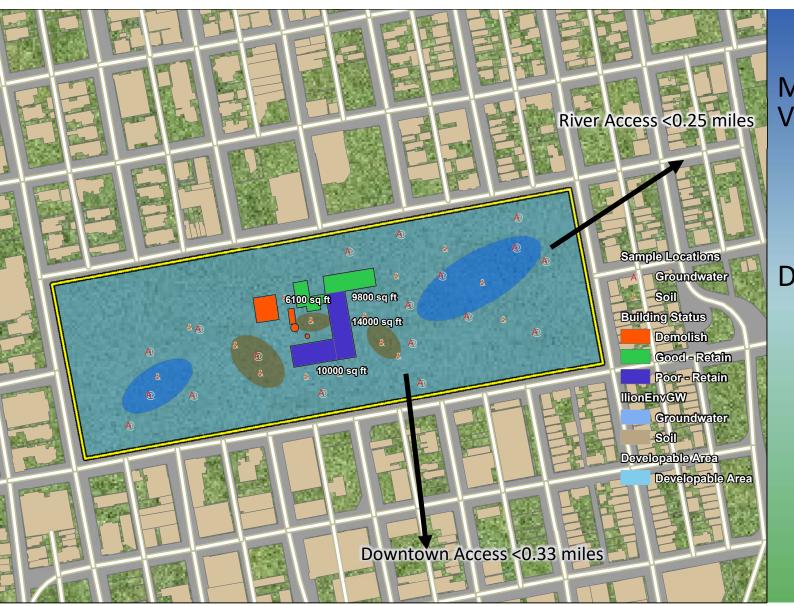
#### **Reuse Planning**



#### Reuse Plan

- Mapping and visualization
- Developable Area
- Developing a reuse vision
- Identifying and managing risks and liabilities
- Market viability
- Financial analysis and project economics
- Feasibility
- Disposition strategies





# Mapping and Visualization

Using maps to show the property and results of the reuse assessment is important during the visioning process

#### Developable Area

The area that can be used

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Buildings, other structures

Parking and other activities not requiring a structure



#### **Reuse Vision**

# Construct one or more reuse scenarios

- Stakeholder involvement
- The community needs and concerns
- Environmental condition analysis
- Land use assessment
  Infrastructure assessment
  Available area that can be developed

#### Scenario 1 – Repurpose Residential/Retail Mixed Use/Warehouse

- Reuse existing buildings
- Available labor/workforce
- Low-cost utilities
- Access to recreation and downtown
- Access to redundant highspeed fiber internet
- Flexible zoning

# Scenario 2 – New Construction Residential/Retail Mixed Use/Warehouse

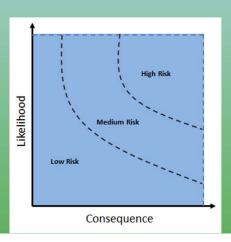
- Flexibility in development design
- Available labor/workforce
- Low-cost utilities
- Access to Recreation and downtown
- Access to redundant highspeed fiber internet
- Flexible zoning



#### Risk and Liabilities

Generally associated with the project constraints

Responsibilities that a local government or another entity may become legally obligated or accountable for





# **Environmental Liability**

No responsible party identified

Soil/Groundwater impacts

Asbestos in buildings



#### **Financial Liability**

Soil/Groundwater Remedial Action

**Building demolition** 

Asbestos removal

Old foundation removal

Market risk



# Community **Issues**

Safety/health hazards
Neighborhood
opposition to industrial
uses



# Managing Risks and Liability

Understand and Quantify Risk

Property

Control Risk

- Property
- State/Federal Statutory Protection
- Transactional

Transfer Risk

- Transactional
- Insurance

#### **Environmental Liability**

- Integrate remedy with development
- Parking area pavement cap over groundwater impacted area
- Groundwater monitored natural attenuation
- Soil hot spot removal
- Asbestos removal in buildings

#### **Financial Liability**

- Liability Transfer
  - Environmental Remedial Action
  - Old foundation removal
- Retain liability
- Environmental Remedial Action
- Building demolition
- Asbestos removal

#### **Community Issues**

- Demolition of buildings
- Reuse/Refurbishment of buildings
- Residential/Retail mixed use







# Market Viability and Project Economics







## Market Viability

- Overall (area) market climate
  - Slow growth, residential demand
- Potential viable land use options
  - Mixed use residential/retail
- Building demand/vacancy
  - Local demand for residential/senior housing
- Lease rates/rents
  - No local comparable
  - Extrapolated from regional data
- Building costs (per square foot)
  - No local comparable
  - Extrapolated from regional data

Refurbish Construction Costs (\$/SF)		
Residential	\$250.00	
Retail	\$175.00	
Office	\$175.00	
Warehouse	NA	

New Construction Costs (\$/SF)		
Residential	\$285.00	
Retail	\$200.00	
Office	\$200.00	
Warehouse	\$ 55.00	

Lease Rates (Mon	thly)
Residential	\$1,350
Commercial/Retail	\$1,013
Office	\$1,050
Warehouse	\$ 525



# Financial Analysis and Project Economics

Understanding project economics from the perspective of a developer-investor is crucial to understanding what it takes for a project to be viable

#### Pro forma

- Financial analysis used to project financial returns for a particular project
- Used to evaluate potential return on investment and overall viability of the project
- Various return metrics may be used and the financial model can range from fairly simple to very complex



# Development Scenario 1 Pro Forma Assumptions

	Property Attributes			
Property Size (gross)			AC	10.7
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Property Size (developable)			AC	10.7
Property Size (developable)			SF	444,312
Existing Buildings				
	Former Office and Manufacturing Building		SF	135,000
	Boiler House		SF	6,100
	Garage		SF	5,900
				147,000
	Proforma Reuse Assumptions			
Garage not suitable for ada	ptive reuse due to structural issues		SF	5,000
Adaptive Reuse of Former (	Office and Manufacturing Building and Boiler House	Units		1
	High Density Residential	75	SF	90,000
	Retail	1	SF	10,000
	Office/Business Incubator	1	SF	30,000
			SF	130,000
New Construction				
T.	Building Size-Warehouse	1	SF	65,000
TOTAL DEVELOPED			SF	195,000



#### Development Scenario 1 - Pro Forma Revenue

		REVENUES					
		Annual Lease Revenue <sup>1</sup>		Rei	nt/Mont h	\$/SF	
١			Residential (\$/SF) Annual	\$	1,350	\$18.00 \$	1,620,000
			Commercial/Retail (\$/SF) Annual NNN	\$	1,013	\$13.50 \$	135,000
١	2		Warehouse (\$/SF) Annual NNN	\$	525	\$7.00 \$	455,000
١			Office (\$/SF) Annual NNN	\$	1,050	\$14.00 \$	420,000
١						\$	2,630,000
			Residential Annual Operating Expense (% of annual rent)		30%	\$5.40 <u>\$</u>	(486,000)
١					Т	otal Revenue \$	2,144,000



# Development Scenario 1 - Pro Forma Expenses

	EXPENSES				
	Purchase Price	\$	1,000,000		
SIS	Asbestos Abatement	\$	500,000		
BA	Demolition-Garage	\$	50,000		
9	Building Structural Support	\$	750,000		
K	Remediation	<u>\$</u>	1,612,500		
		Total Land Basis \$	3,912,500		
	Construction Costs				
		\$/SF			
	Hard Costs Site Improvements <sup>2</sup> (\$/SF Land)	\$3.00 \$	1,332,936		
S	Building Construction/Repurposing (\$/SF)				
COSTS		Residential \$250.00 \$	22,500,000		
		Retail \$175.00 \$	1,750,000		
CONSTRUCTION		Office \$175.00 \$	5,250,000		
E		Warehouse \$55.00 \$	3,575,000		
S	Vapor Intrusion Mitigation Engineering Control	\$	420,000		
IST	Total Hard Costs	\$:	34,827,936		
Ó	Soft costs <sup>3</sup> Percent of Hard Costs	20% \$	6,965,587		
0	Contingency Percent of Soft and Hard Costs	10% \$	4,179,352		
	Total Construction Costs	\$	47,305,812		
	Tot	tal Project Costs (Before Tax Credits) \$	51,218,312		



#### Development Scenario 1 - Pro Forma Project Value

PROJECT VALUE AND RETURNS		
Project Value	Cap Rate <sup>4</sup>	7.0% \$ 30,628,571
Profit		\$(20,589,740)
Profit as % of Total Project Costs		-40.20%

Without incentives and subsidies, project would not be viable for a developer.



# Financial Analysis Fill the Gap

- Identify potential sources of funding that can be used to offset an expenditure
  - Tax incentives
  - Grants and other sources of funding available to the community
    - EPA Brownfields grants for assessment, cleanup
    - Revolving loan fund
    - State Brownfield matching grants
    - HUD Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds



#### Development Scenario 1 – Refurbish Pro Forma

	Tax Cr	edits
		Total Project Costs (Before Tax Credits) \$ 51,218,312
ıt	HPTC Tax Credits	\$ 11,502,509
ed	Tax Abatement Credit	<u>\$ 11,320,916</u>
ت		Total Public Incentives/Credits <u>\$ 22,823,425</u>
		Total Project Costs After Tax Credits \$ 28,394,886
	PROJECT VALUE AND RETURNS	
ဗြ	Project Value	Cap Rate <sup>4</sup> 7.0% \$ 30,628,571
Ī	Profit	\$ 2,233,685
9	Profit as % of Total Project Costs	4.36%
5	PROJECT FINANCIAL GAP ANALYSIS	
Ē	Project Value	Cap Rate <sup>4</sup> 7.0% <b>\$ 30,628,571</b>
	Subsidy Required to Achieve 15% Profit	\$ 2,750,000
\S	Project Value with Subsidy	\$ 33,378,571
4	Profit	<u>\$ 4,983,685</u>
	Profit as % of Total Project Costs	15%

Adding tax incentives has significant impact on the viability of the project for a developer. Other subsidies may be needed.



#### Development Scenario 2 – New Construction Pro Forma

		Tax Credits	
S		Total Project Costs (Befo	re Tax Credits) \$ 57,246,312
dit	HPTC Tax Credits		\$ -
Se l	Tax Abatement Credit		<u>\$ 11,320,916</u>
		Total Public Ince	ntives/Credits \$ 11,320,916
		Total Project Costs Af	ter Tax Credits \$ 45,925,395
	PROJECT VALUE AND RETURNS		
လ	Project Value	Cap Rate <sup>4</sup>	7.0% \$ 30,628,571
₹	Profit		\$(15,296,824)
19	Profit as % of Total Project Costs		-26.72%
18	PROJECT FINANCIAL GAP ANALYSIS		
Ē	Project Value	Cap Rate⁴	7.0% <b>\$ 30,628,571</b>
EC	Subsidy Required to Achieve 15% Profit		\$ 23,500,000
S	Project Value with Subsidy Profit		\$ 54,128,571
ם	Profit		<u>\$ 8,203,176</u>
	Profit as % of Total Project Costs		15%

Without historic preservation tax credits, Scenario 2 would require significant subsidies to be viable.



# Financial Modeling – Key Takeaways

- For purposes of evaluating feasibility, keep it high-level...don't get stuck in the weeds
- Use the proforma to help understand challenges and their magnitude
- Financial incentives can be significant don't underestimate their value
- De-risking a project and/or providing a roadmap for a project can add significant value



### Feasibility

- Identify key assets and opportunities to attract investment
  - Community need for residential
  - Access to state highway and interstate
  - Structurally sound historic buildings
  - Access to utilities
  - Flexible zoning
  - Tax incentives

- The presence of constraints, risks or liabilities is not necessarily a reason to eliminate a reuse scenario
- Mitigate the constraints, risks and liabilities that would make the implementation of a reuse scenario impossible (or extremely difficult) to implement
  - Environmental
    - · Retained liability federal/state funding
  - Asbestos/Lead paint
    - Retained liability federal/state funding







# Sustainable Disposition Strategy

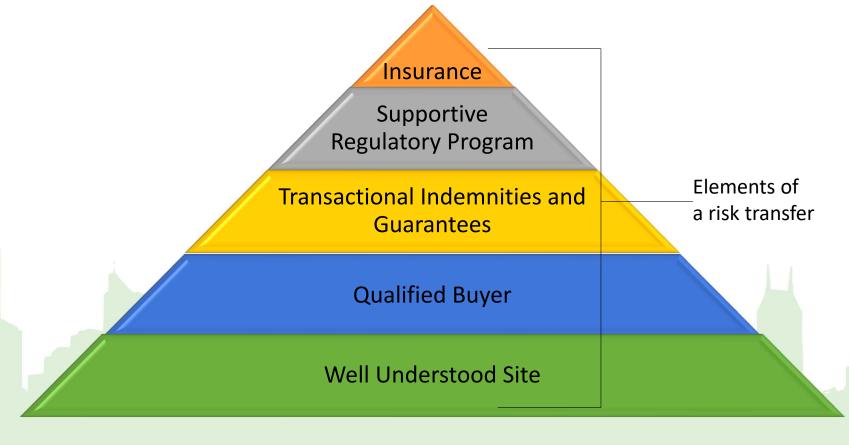




Build a transaction for the long-term



# Building a Sustainable Disposition Process





# Key Components of Sustainable Disposition Strategy

- Well Understood Site
  - Community needs and concerns
  - Reuse assessment
  - Reuse plan

- Qualified Purchaser or Leasee
  - Reputation and reliable track record
  - Creates value from the transaction
  - Strong team with plans to promote productive reuse
  - Community acceptance
  - Capable of assuming short-term and long-term responsibilities and liabilities



# Key Components of Sustainable Disposition Strategy

- Indemnities
  - Purchaser or Leasee indemnity for assumed liability
    - Remedy implementation
    - Operation, maintenance and monitoring
    - Soil and groundwater management
    - Activity and use limitations
  - Seller/buyer indemnity for retained liability

- Performance Guarantee
  - Financial responsibility requirements of regulatory agency
  - Financial capability to perform liability assumptions
  - Pollution Legal Liability Insurance



# Key Components of Sustainable Disposition Strategy

- State voluntary action programs
  - Cleanup can be conducted by a Purchaser
  - Liability protection to Purchaser
    - Provided cleanup conducted in accordance with program requirements
  - Land use-based endpoints



Cleaning Up Brownfields Under State Response Programs – Getting to "No Further Action"



## Insurance

- A realistic insurance program that covers both buyer and seller
  - New or previously undiscovered condition (Buyer and Seller)
    - Cleanup
    - Third party bodily injury and property damage
  - Pre-existing condition excess of Seller's release, indemnity and assumption of liability (Buyer)
    - Cleanup
    - Third party bodily injury and property damage
  - Other
    - Non-owned disposal site (Buyer)
    - Business Interruption (Buyer)



# Site Disposition Strategy

- Address retained liabilities
  - Complete environmental investigation and hot spot removal and obtain no further action determination
  - Complete asbestos removal
  - Demolition of garage
- Transfer the site to a viable developer with similar vision for the property. Buyer to assume:
  - Remaining environmental obligations
  - Implement soil and groundwater management plan
  - Indemnify town from further liability related to environmental condition of the property







# Attracting Investment



## Attracting Investment



An investor's perspective of a downtown may differ from the perspective of your community

<u>Main Goal:</u> To attract resources to your community, you need to understand and identify the specific assets and attributes that will attract or diminish interest from investors

#### 1) Reuse Assessment - Analyze and Prepare

Conduct a Reuse Assessment of your site area Develop Redevelopment Plan/Reuse vison Identify and track resources

#### 2) Reuse Plan - Demonstrate the Investment Potential

Assess potential and risks Understand viability and feasibility

#### 3) Investment Package - Create an Investment Package

Promote a viable investment opportunity based on your community's specific goals and vision

Help organize stakeholders around a unified vision and make decisions driven by market realities and potential





# Investment Package

- Includes site information and materials that inform your community, developers, and potential investors of assets, advantages, and financial information
- Explains the overall market traction and potential in a way that attracts local, regional, and national capital and resources

It also helps communities organize their stakeholders around a unified vision and make decisions driven by market realities and site potential.

 Transforms the information you gathered and analyzed into a compelling story for your community and the investment community. Use the package to celebrate the unique character and assets of your community.



# Investment Package – Key Elements

#### Economic Context

- Economically-speaking, a community exists within a broader area and regional economic ecosystem
- Ensure that the package represents the brownfield redevelopment area at varying economic levels based on market potential.

#### Governance Context

 The package should act as an introduction to city governance by providing an overview of government structure and leadership

#### 3. Local Information

 After setting the larger context, present a granular assessment of the community's competitive position and prospects

#### 4. Project Specific Information

 Describe the range of opportunities specific to the redevelopment area.



# Investment Package - Content

- Use the package to set the stage for different types of investors public, private, and civic – allow potential investors to quickly familiarize themselves with the community and the development opportunity
  - ✓ Purpose
  - ✓ Regional introduction and local governance
  - ✓ Market assessment
  - ✓ Area overview
  - ✓ Area assets
  - ✓ Specific property overview
  - ✓ Development potential









- Short, articulate, and visual description of the goals:
  - Describe your community's assets to have maximum economic and social impact
  - Present a unified vision of inclusive growth to stakeholders and potential investors
  - Reach potential investors



# Regional Introduction and Local Governance

- Orient investors to the community's contextual features, including socioeconomic data points, local trends, and economic incentives or tools that may be available to support redevelopment
- Include key contacts at the city or nongovernmental organizations involved with economic development activities

#### Regional Overview and Contacts

In 2019, area had a population of 7.81k people with a median age of 37.3 and a median household income of \$54.397. Between 2018 and 2019 the population declined from 7,852 to 7,812, however, income rose. In 2019, the homeownership rate was 62%, with an average commute time of 19.4 minutes.

#### AVAILABLE INCENTIVES

- · NYS Brownfield Tax Credit
- New Market Tax Credit
- County IDA PILOT
- Qualified HUBZONE

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- Historical Tax Credit
- 10-YR Property Tax Free

DIRECT CONTACTS

Mayor - "PHONE"; EMAIL County Industrial Development Agency - "PHONE"; EMAIL



# In lieu of a highest and best use analysis, market data was analyzed for office, residential and retail property types. Overall the research did not indicate significant local demand for a specific new project Priority Use- Call Center/Data Heavy • National Marketing Opportunity • Available workforce, inexpensive electricity, connectivity, and welcoming community Alternative Uses — Housing/Mixed-Use • Building a could house approximately 125 residential units on the top three floors plus half of the first floor • Ground level space could be used for amenities for the units and retail tenants. • "Destination" – brewery /distillery /restaurant, bank, childcare, salon, gym, and/or a coffice shop • Office – insurance agents, tax preparation, or tutoring • Traditional office could be developed in a new building on the west end of site

## Market Assessment

- Introduce the market assessment findings
- At a minimum, give a general overview of market trends, labor force, and any retail or industrial/commercial analysis
- Provide enough information to demonstrate the market realities of the area and alleviate any key uncertainties

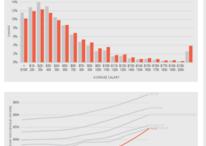


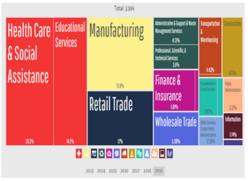
## Area Overview

- Use quantitative information to illustrate your community's strengths and assets and the economic assets and contributions of the surrounding region
- Include
  - Economic Indicators
  - Employment Industry Profiles
  - Employer Statistics
  - Accolades
  - Awards
  - Recognition

#### By The Numbers: Key 11.1% Increase in Income

In 2019, the area had a population of 7.81k people and its median household income grew from \$48,963 to \$54,397, a 11.1% increase. From 2018 to 2019, employment grew at a rate of 1.99%, from 3.32k employees to 3.39k employees. The most common employment sectors are Health Care & Social Assistance, Manufacturing, and Educational Services.







#### Key Advantages



Location: The location for distribution sets this site apart as it is centrally located for same day ground access to major population centers of the U.S. and Canada. It's 2.5 miles from the NYS thruway and adjacent to Mohawk River/Erie Canal Corridor.



Industry Specialization: The most common industries are Health Care & Social Assistance, Manufacturina and Educational Services, Compared to other places, however, it has an unusually high concentration of Wholesale Trade, Manufacturing and Educational Services industries



Industry Safety and Ease of Concern: The area is not affected by many natural disasters, i.e. hurricanes, tornadoes or floods. communities. Little to no disruption to potential distribution services.



Environmental Justice Area: Efforts focus on improving the environment in communities, specifically minority and low-income communities, and addressing disproportionate adverse environmental impacts that may exist in those communities.



### Area Assets

- Include specific information on area assets that demonstrate market momentum or potential:
  - Highlight the specific strengths and advantages
  - Leading industries, retail establishments or amenities – highlight a sector or company that could be a catalyst for growth and investment
  - Location of anchor or destination places illustrate the connections between these resources
  - Entrepreneurial activity highlight information on areas of market momentum



# Specific Property Overview

 Highlight the site location, opportunities, and assets, and provide information to further alleviate uncertainties and suspected risks.

 Provide a general overview of the assets and include these four elements: Redevelopment Overview: Site

- Site Orientation
- Area Map
- Site Access
- Environmental Conditions

#### Redevelopment Overview: Site Orientation

Economy	
© in civilian abor force, total, percent of population age 16 years+, 2015-2019	61.4%
(8) in civilian labor force, female, percent of population age 16 years+, 2015-2019	58.4%
(§ Total accommodation and food services sales, 2012 (\$1,000) (6)	6.261
(8) Total health care and social assistance receptainevenue, 2012 (\$1,000) ((1)	16.521
(8) Total manufactures shipments, 2012 (\$1,000) (8)	0
⊕ Total retail sales, 2012 (\$1,000) (□)	53,875
65 Total solid solid solid part control 2017 (cr.	66.774

The site location is a prime development area with great potential for mass distribution to major cities throughout the U.S.

easy access to both the Rive

and Downtown. The Site is

The Site is also less than 2.5 miles from the nearest exit

on the Interstate, which has over 26,600 combined AADI

Access

#### Redevelopment Overview: Area Map

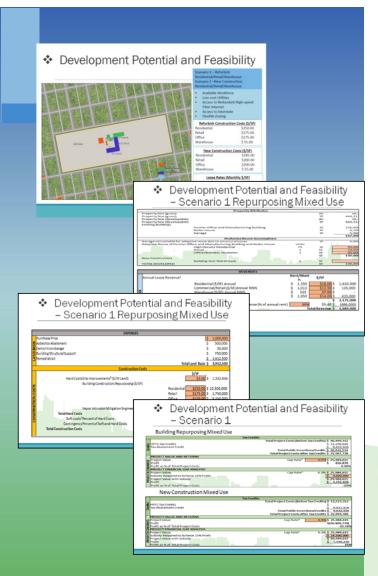


- acres of flat, developable land adjacent to the buildings
- Two brick buildings Building A: 135,000 square feet, four stories; Building B: 6,100 square feet, one story; Maintenance Garag Inexpensive Municipal
- Redundant High-Speed
- Space for additional Planned District Special

#### located just south of State Route, a state highway with approximately 5,500 average annual daily trips (AADT) ombined for both directions Redevelopment Overview:



- degradation products: petroleum hydrocarbon
- Metals in Soil Phase I site assessmen completed Some environmental
- remediation under way Justice Area Site cleanup overseen by State Environmental





- Use this final section of your brownfields investment package to illustrate the best use scenario(s) for the redevelopment area; if applicable include:
  - Conceptual Use Plan on a map that shows the developable area and potential uses;
  - Financial Feasibility Analysis share overall summary of financial viability for the best-use scenario(s) described in the conceptual use plan(s); demonstrate:
    - assumptions represented in the proforma analysis;
    - any additional government funding needed;
    - overall financial viability and return on investment;
    - feasibility from both public and private perspectives.



## Promote Your Redevelopment Potential

Use the package to guide investment toward your community's strengths and priorities and bring the community together around a specific vision

Start with your stakeholders and your community:

- Help to become ambassadors
- Familiarize them with the package and coach them on how to use it
- Develop and share elevator pitch/consistent message
- Keep everyone up to date and celebrate milestones

Develop and implement an outreach plan to investors:

- Direct mail a copy of the investment package to prioritized potential investors
- Make cold calls, send emails, and use follow-up requests to meet in-person
- Invite potential developers and investors to downtown properties.
- Host an investor's roundtable in your downtown.
- Present the investment package at public and private events.







# Upcoming Webinars and Workshops:

Show Me How: Brownfields Redevelopment in Economically Distressed Areas - Nov 19

Everyone loves a success story, but the real story is in the details. This webinar will focus on three successful brownfield redevelopments in economically distressed areas.

#### **POSTPONED UNTIL 2022**

Brownfields University Workshop, National Brownfields Training Conference
Reposition and Redevelop Tough Sites: How Communities Can Succeed in Attracting Private
Investment - Dec 8 | Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Enter the world of high stakes brownfield redevelopment through a collaborative and interactive workshop! This four-hour workshop places participants in the role of the community and owner of a contaminated and otherwise complex property. Participants work through the process of creating value and positioning the property for redevelopment.