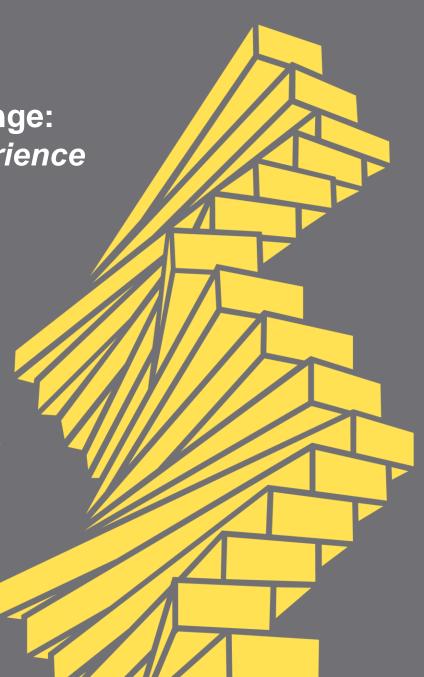
DRCOG – Infill Idea Exchange: *"Infill redevelopment experience at the DDD, Phase 1..."* 

Chris Waggett, CEO – D4 Urban LLC December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013

# Denver**Design**District **D4**Urban





## **PROJECT OVERVIEW:**

• ~67 acres, ~900,000sf existing, income-producing improvements ~95% leased

• 10x potential density increase approved by GDP 2009, Rezoning approved and Metro District formed 2010

• Largest contiguous landholding in Denver core

• Surrounded by desirable neighborhoods: Walkscore of 89/100 "....Very Walkable...." for initial residential project

• Phase 1 = LEED Gold, Future community = LEED ND

• Central Location (~1.5miles from CBD/easy access from anywhere in city)

• Close proximity to I-25 and Broadway (~260,000 vehicles pass every day)

• "Bookended" by existing light rail stations at Alameda & I-25/Broadway, (2-stops to Theater District, 5-stops to Denver Union Station and then 35 minute connection to DIA in 2016 ie. 44 minutes from DDD to DIA)





### THE DDD EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS + ASSOCIATED TRANSACTIONS:

#### 1. Broadway Marketplace (BMP)

- ✓ 387,500SF Power center anchored by Sam's Club, K-Mart, Albertsons, and Office Max
- ✓ ~50 year lease/options profile

#### 2. Denver Design Center (DDC)

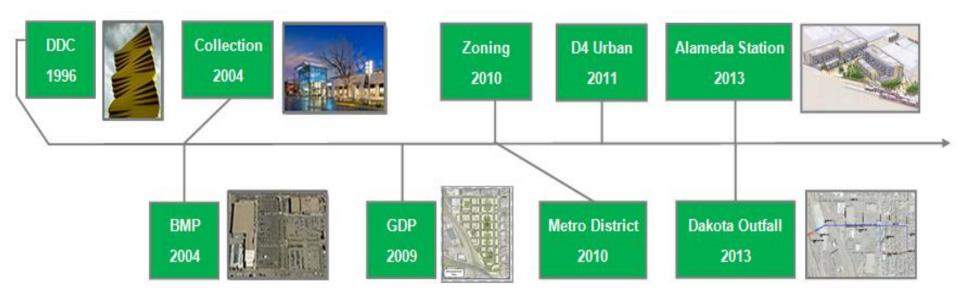
- ✓ 233,300SF Wholesale showrooms catering to home furnishings and design industry
- ✓ ~5 year lease profile
- 3. The Collection (COL)
  - ✓ 251,000SF Mix of office/laboratory, education and showroom accommodation
  - ✓ ~5-10 year lease profile
- 4. Alameda Station Village (ASV): D4 + RTD
- 5. Sliver Option: D4 + RTD







## ~62 ACRE ASSEMBLAGE AND PREPARATION OVER ~17 YRS BY COHEN-FRANK, EXPANDED TO ~68 ACRES :





## **APPROVED ENTITLEMENTS, 2006-2010** @ ~\$2.6M:

#### 1. General Development Plan:

- ✓ Approved by City in 2009
- ✓ Allows for 10M SF of density
- ✓ Follows "Blue Print Denver" integration of transportation and land use planning
- 2. Zoning:
  - ✓ Approved by City in 2010
  - ✓ Commercial mixed-use (CMX) and main street (CMS)
  - Highly flexible, allowing for a variety of uses (residential, retail, hospitality, office)
- 3. Metro District:
  - ✓ Approved and formed in 2010
  - ✓ \$90M in bonding capacity for public infrastructure improvements in BMP

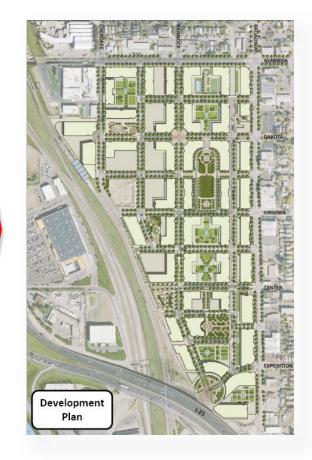




### THE CHALLENGE IS TRANSFORMING THE CURRENT STATUS INTO THE FUTURE VISION:

- ? Existing Leases and Tenants
- ? Existing income producing assets
- ? Existing capital structure
- ? Passive investment v's active development
- ? ~\$2Bn in development capital, ~\$250M in infrastructure over 30 years
- = Consolidated/aligned ownership
- Public/Private
  Partnership the
  catalyst









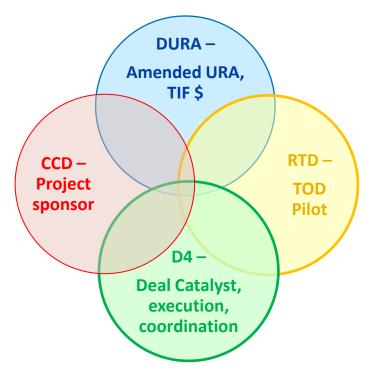
### PUBLIC PRIVATE PARNERSHIP = "MULTIPLIER-EFFECT" HARNESS THE CRITICAL STAKEHOLDERS TO ESTABLISH CATALYST

**DURA** – Urban Renewal Plan amendment facilitates project with existing TIF + inter-agency cooperation;

**CITY** – Project orchestration + Infrastructure/TOD/Economic development objectives + Public Works project specification/scrutiny/monitoring, + inter-agency cooperation;

**RTD** – 1<sup>st</sup> Pilot Project at Alameda Station + inter-agency cooperation;

**D4** –Deal catalyst between Public-Private Partnership + representing consolidated DDD ownership/Metropolitan District (incl. Eminent Domain) plus Alameda Station Pilot Project + responsible for coordination/execution;



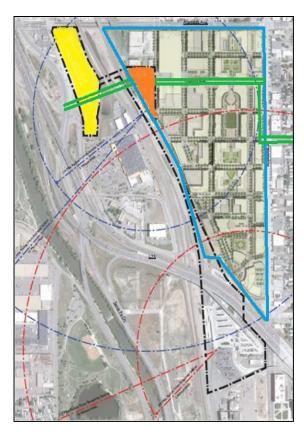
**Phase 1:** \$17.8M Public contribution results in ~\$48M follow-on private investment = ~2.7X **Ultimate DDD redevelopment**: ~\$250M site infrastructure, \$~2Bn development capital





### PHASE 1 DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

Unlock the latent value through a 2-part, Phase 1 project that aligned key, long-term stakeholders, secured adjoining property while creating the conditions for subsequent follow-on phases of development....



"...Synergy and Serendipity..."

Diane Barrett, Chief Projects Officer - Office of Mayor Michael B. Hancock, City of Denver, 2/9/12



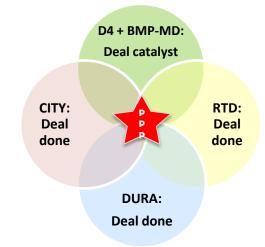


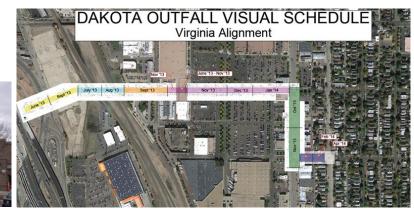


### PHASE 1, PART 1 – HORIZONTAL DEVELOPMENT, PPP FOR REGIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS

- PPP as project catalyst involving the City of Denver with Denver Urban Renewal Authority ("DURA") and the Broadway Marketplace Metropolitan District (BMP-MD) represented by D4, benefitting the RTD Alameda Station Pilot Project
- ✓ Regional Drainage Project obviating the need for future storm water detention within the GDP redevelopment area
- ✓ Provides visual and physical connection from existing RTD light rail station to adjoining BMP and surrounding neighborhoods
- Creates additional streetscape improvements for improved connectivity
- ✓ Requires Eminent Domain to be implemented by BMP-MD
- ✓ Project cost sharing by City (~\$18M), BMP-MD (~\$3M) and RTDbenefitting sites (\$1.1M)
- ✓ Contractual commitment by City to BMP-MD, March 13<sup>th</sup> 2012











### PHASE 1, PART 2 – VERTICAL DEVELOPMENT COMPRISING MULTI-FAMILY, TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT

#### **RTD General Objectives:**

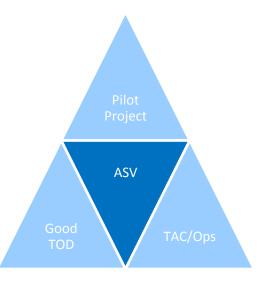
- ✓ Demonstrate successful TOD
- ✓ Test expanded role for RTD in catalyzing land development
- ✓ Learn from diversity of projects
- Provide flexibility where appropriate (i.e. parking)
- $\checkmark$  JV with other government agencies or development offerings
- ✓ Focus on stations with greatest opportunity for success (e.g. Alameda Station)

#### Alameda Station Specific Objectives:

- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup> choice for RTD TOD Pilot program by City of Denver
- $\checkmark$  Transition from commuter to neighborhood station
- ✓ Extensive pre-planning completed
  - + Alameda Station Area Plan
  - + DDD-GDP
  - + BMP-MD
  - + GDP Urban Design Standards and Guidelines

#### ✓ Contractual commitment by RTD to D4 April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012



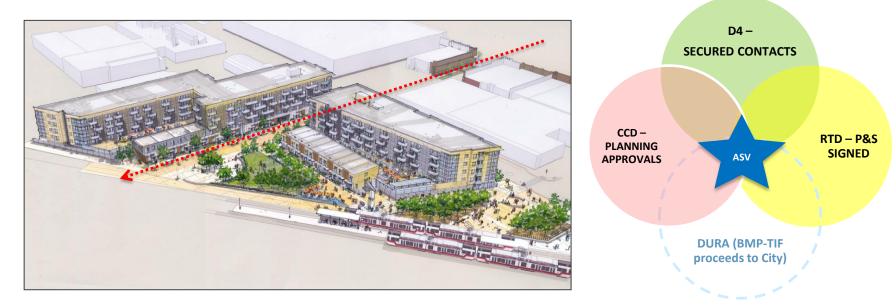






### PHASE 1, PART 2 – VERTICAL DEVELOPMENT: RTD PILOT PROGRAM AKA "ALAMEDA STATION VILLAGE" (ASV) APARTMENTS:

- ✓ 275 units, market-rate multifamily apartments (~85% 1BR) directly adjacent to existing light rail station, parking at 1:1
- ✓ LEED Gold project within a future LEED ND community
- ✓ Walkscore of 89/100 "....Very Walkable Most errands can be accomplished on foot...." <u>www.walkscore.com</u>
- ✓ RTD Purchase and Sale Agreement with D4 executed April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012
- ✓ Final Site Plan Approval + Final Guaranteed Maximum Price imminent
- ✓ Equity + Debt being secured, simultaneous closing with land end-January 2014





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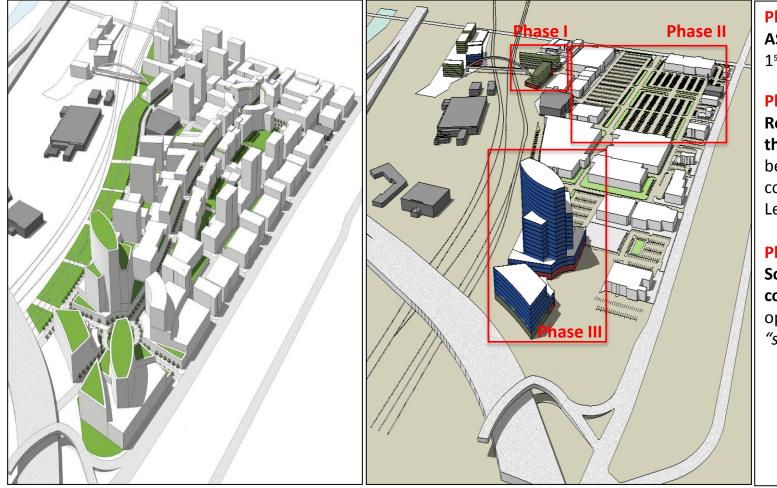
# PHASE 1, PARTS 1 + 2 INTERACT:

- ✓ Enhanced connectivity, on-site and within the regional
- Pedestrian friendly/enhanced public streets
- ✓ Strong passive surveillance of station area
- Partial maintenance of RTD parking through licenses in adjoining properties
- ✓ 9 mins train ride to LoDo, 45 mins to DIA (2016)
- ✓ Catalyst for GDP and broader TOD opportunity
- ✓ Anticipating next phases





## **ANTICIPATED NEXT PHASES:**



#### Phase I: ASV – 1<sup>st</sup> Pilot Project

#### Phase II:

Redevelopment within the BMP – strategy to be implemented within context of existing Lease/Option contracts

#### Phase III:

Southern Precommitment Office opportunity (incl. RTD "sliver" Option land)





## LESSONS LEARNED SO FAR ON INFILL DEVELOPMENT.....

#### **Requirments:**

- ✓ Vision
- ✓ Leadership
- ✓ Partnership
- Inter-agency cooperation
- ✓ Catalyst
- ✓ Multiplier-effect
- ✓ Trust
- ✓ Patience
- ✓ Alignment
- ✓ Consolidated land ownership
- ✓ Balance sheet
- ✓ Prior expertise
- ✓ Long view
- ✓ Strategic & tactical thinking

#### **Challenges:**

- Politics/Planning/People
- Complicated
- Challenging
- × Costly
- Coordination
- Interagency agreements
- Time consuming
- **×** Fractured land ownerships
- **×** Split incentives
- Capital raising
- Development risk





## THANK YOU AND QUESTIONS:

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