# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

# **FORM 10-Q**

# ☑ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO THE SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2017

OR

# □ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from

Commission file number: 1-07533

to

# FEDERAL REALTY INVESTMENT TRUST

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Declaration of Trust)

Maryland

(State of Organization)

1626 East Jefferson Street, Rockville, Maryland

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(301) 998-8100

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. 🛛 Yes 🗌 No

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). 🛛 Yes  $\Box$  No

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large Accelerated Filer	$\boxtimes$	Accelerated filer	
Non-Accelerated Filer	o (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company	
		Emerging growth company	

If an emerging growth company, indicate by checkmark if the registrant has elected not use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).  $\Box$  Yes  $\boxtimes$  No

The number of Registrant's common shares outstanding on October 27, 2017 was 72,546,870.

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52-0782497

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

(Zip Code)

# FEDERAL REALTY INVESTMENT TRUST QUARTERLY REPORT ON FORM 10-Q QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

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# Federal Realty Investment Trust Consolidated Balance Sheets

	S	September 30, 2017	December 31, 2016		
			cept s e data		
ASSETS		(Unaudited)			
Real estate, at cost					
Operating (including \$1,666,691 and \$1,226,918 of consolidated variable interest entities, respectively)	\$	6,758,728	\$	6,125,957	
Construction-in-progress	Ŷ	769,882	Ŷ	599,260	
Asset held for sale				33,856	
		7,528,610		6,759,073	
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization (including \$236,391 and \$209,239 of consolidated variable interest entities, respectively)		(1,828,845)		(1,729,234)	
Net real estate		5,699,765		5,029,839	
Cash and cash equivalents		22,850		23,368	
Accounts and notes receivable, net		200,878		116,749	
Mortgage notes receivable, net		30,429		29,904	
Investment in real estate partnerships		23,925		14,864	
Prepaid expenses and other assets		243,290		208,555	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	6,221,137	\$	5,423,279	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Liabilities					
Mortgages payable (including \$461,873 and \$439,120 of consolidated variable interest entities, respectively)	\$	493,240	\$	471,117	
Capital lease obligations		71,565		71,590	
Notes payable		320,718		279,151	
Senior notes and debentures		2,377,939		1,976,594	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		206,441		201,756	
Dividends payable		73,466		71,440	
Security deposits payable		16,698		16,285	
Other liabilities and deferred credits		175,464		115,817	
Total liabilities		3,735,531		3,203,750	
Commitments and contingencies (Note 6)					
Redeemable noncontrolling interests		151,815		143,694	
Shareholders' equity					
Preferred shares, authorized 15,000,000 shares, \$.01 par:					
5.0% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares, (stated at liquidation preference \$25,000 per share), 6,000 and 0 shares issued and outstanding, respectively		150,000		_	
5.417% Series 1 Cumulative Convertible Preferred Shares, (stated at liquidation preference \$25 per share), 399,896 shares issued and outstanding		9,997		9,997	
Common shares of beneficial interest, \$.01 par, 100,000,000 shares authorized, 72,542,909 and 71,995,897 shares issued and outstanding, respectively		728		722	
Additional paid-in capital		2,773,890		2,718,325	
Accumulated dividends in excess of net income		(724,919)		(749,734)	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(742)		(2,577)	
Total shareholders' equity of the Trust		2,208,954		1,976,733	
Noncontrolling interests		124,837		99,102	
Total shareholders' equity	_	2,333,791		2,075,835	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	6,221,137	\$	5,423,279	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated statements.

# Federal Realty Investment Trust Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited)

	Th	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended S			eptember 30,	
		2017		2016		2017		2016	
			(In	thousands, exc	ept p	er share data)			
REVENUE	¢	212.040	ተ	107.400	¢	620 741	¢	F0F 710	
Rental income	\$	212,048	\$	197,469	\$	620,741	\$	585,712	
Other property income		5,171		2,759		10,429		8,559	
Mortgage interest income Total revenue		734		929		2,221		3,211	
		217,953		201,157		633,391		597,482	
EXPENSES		11.050				440.405		440.005	
Rental expenses		41,250		38,588		119,487		118,385	
Real estate taxes		27,492		24,973		79,104		71,164	
General and administrative		9,103		8,232		26,013		25,278	
Depreciation and amortization		55,611		48,903		159,656		145,137	
Total operating expenses		133,456		120,696		384,260		359,964	
OPERATING INCOME		84,497		80,461		249,131		237,518	
Other interest income		79		105		253		285	
Interest expense		(26,287)		(24,313)		(73,952)		(71,143)	
(Loss) income from real estate partnerships		(182)		_		(296)		41	
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS		58,107		56,253		175,136		166,701	
Gain on sale of real estate and change in control of interests, net		50,775		4,945		69,949		32,458	
NET INCOME		108,882		61,198		245,085		199,159	
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		(2,105)		(2,221)		(5,827)		(7,286)	
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE TRUST		106,777		58,977		239,258		191,873	
Dividends on preferred shares		(177)		(136)		(448)		(406)	
NET INCOME AVAILABLE FOR COMMON SHAREHOLDERS	\$	106,600	\$	58,841	\$	238,810	\$	191,467	
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE, BASIC:									
Net income available for common shareholders	\$	1.47	\$	0.82	\$	3.31	\$	2.70	
Weighted average number of common shares		72,091		71,319		71,983		70,626	
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE, DILUTED:									
Net income available for common shareholders	\$	1.47	\$	0.82	\$	3.30	\$	2.70	
Weighted average number of common shares		72,206		71,489		72,110		70,804	
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COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	¢	100 240	¢	62 007	¢	246 020	¢	107.075	
CONFRENCINGI VE INCOME	\$	109,240	\$	63,097	\$	246,920	\$	197,875	
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE TRUST	\$	107,135	\$	60,876	\$	241,093	\$	190,589	
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated statements.

# Federal Realty Investment Trust Consolidated Statement of Shareholders' Equity For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2017 (Unaudited)

			Shareh	olders' Equi	ity of the Trust				
	Preferre	ed Shares	Common	Shares	Additional Paid-in	Accumulated Dividends in Excess of Net	Accumulated Other Comprehensive	Noncontrolling	Total Shareholders'
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Capital	Income	Loss	Interests	Equity
				,	n thousands, exc	1 ,			
BALANCE AT DECEMBER 31, 2016	399,896	\$ 9,997	71,995,897	\$ 722	\$2,718,325	\$ (749,734)	\$ (2,577)	\$ 99,102	\$ 2,075,835
January 1, 2017 adoption of new accounting standard - See Note 2	_	_		_	83	(83)	_	_	_
Net income, excluding \$2,774 attributable to redeemable noncontrolling interests	_	_	_	_	_	239,258	_	3,053	242,311
Other comprehensive income - change in fair value of interest rate swaps	_	_	_	_	_	_	1,835	_	1,835
Dividends declared to common shareholders	_	_	_	_	_	(213,954)	_	_	(213,954)
Dividends declared to preferred shareholders	_	_	_	_	_	(406)	_	_	(406)
Distributions declared to noncontrolling interests	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(4,435)	(4,435)
Common shares issued, net	—		325,451	4	42,690	—	_	—	42,694
Preferred shares issued, net	6,000	150,000	_	_	(5,027)	_	—	—	144,973
Exercise of stock options	—	_	112,334	1	8,213	—	_	_	8,214
Shares issued under dividend reinvestment plan	_	_	13,521	_	1,809	_	_	_	1,809
Share-based compensation expense, net of forfeitures	_	_	105,291	1	9,401		_	_	9,402
Shares withheld for employee taxes	—	—	(29,615)	—	(4,216)	—	_	_	(4,216)
Conversion and redemption of OP units	_		20,030	_	2,569	_	_	(2,569)	_
Contributions from noncontrolling interests	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	35,264	35,264
Purchase of noncontrolling interest	_	_	_	_	43		_	(5,578)	(5,535)
BALANCE AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2017	405,896	\$159,997	72,542,909	\$ 728	\$2,773,890	\$ (724,919)	\$ (742)	\$ 124,837	\$ 2,333,791

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated statements.

# Federal Realty Investment Trust Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended Sep	tember 30,
	2017	2016
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(In thousands	)
Net income	\$ 245,085 \$	199,159
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	¢,	100,100
Depreciation and amortization	159,656	145,137
Gain on sale of real estate and change in control of interests, net	(69,949)	(32,458)
Loss (income) from real estate partnerships	296	(41
Other, net	(4,821)	556
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of effects of acquisitions and dispositions:	(1,021)	550
Increase in accounts receivable, net	(1,565)	(3,604
Increase in prepaid expenses and other assets	(5,819)	(25,769
Increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses	13,617	11,164
Increase (decrease) in security deposits and other liabilities	3,138	(736
Net cash provided by operating activities	339,638	293,408
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		200,100
Acquisition of real estate	(436,652)	(135,151
Capital expenditures - development and redevelopment	(335,666)	(263,606
Capital expenditures - other	(52,875)	(40,326
Proceeds from sale of real estate and real estate partnership interests	127,538	
Investment in real estate partnerships	(502)	(3,494
Distribution from real estate partnership in excess of earnings	1,672	3,910
Leasing costs	(11,295)	(11,471
(Issuance) repayment of mortgage and other notes receivable, net	(500)	11,721
Net cash used in investing activities	(708,280)	(438,417
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		, ,
Net borrowings (repayment) under revolving credit facility, net of costs	41,500	(53,500
Issuance of senior notes, net of costs	399,454	241,787
Repayment of mortgages and capital leases	(54,844)	(38,849
Issuance of common shares, net of costs	51,189	300,040
Issuance of preferred shares, net of costs	145,456	
Dividends paid to common and preferred shareholders	(210,845)	(197,750
Shares withheld for employee taxes	(4,216)	(4,436
Contributions from noncontrolling interests	13,312	302
Distributions to and redemptions of noncontrolling interests	(12,882)	(22,350
Net cash provided by financing activities	368,124	225,244
(Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(518)	80,235
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	23,368	21,046
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 22,850 \$	101,281

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated statements.

# Federal Realty Investment Trust Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements September 30, 2017 (Unaudited)

# NOTE 1—BUSINESS AND ORGANIZATION

Federal Realty Investment Trust (the "Trust") is an equity real estate investment trust ("REIT") specializing in the ownership, management, and redevelopment of retail and mixed-use properties. Our properties are located primarily in densely populated and affluent communities in strategically selected metropolitan markets in the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast regions of the United States, California, and South Florida. As of September 30, 2017, we owned or had a majority interest in community and neighborhood shopping centers and mixed-use properties which are operated as 104 predominantly retail real estate projects.

We operate in a manner intended to enable us to qualify as a REIT for federal income tax purposes. A REIT that distributes at least 90% of its taxable income to its shareholders each year and meets certain other conditions is not taxed on that portion of its taxable income which is distributed to its shareholders. Therefore, federal income taxes on our taxable income have been and are generally expected to be immaterial. We are obligated to pay state taxes, generally consisting of franchise or gross receipts taxes in certain states. Such state taxes also have not been material.

# NOTE 2—SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of presentation**

The accompanying consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2016, which has been derived from audited financial statements, and unaudited interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Certain information and note disclosures normally included in annual financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) have been omitted pursuant to those rules and regulations, although we believe that the disclosures made are adequate to make the information not misleading. It is suggested that these financial statements be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto included in the Trust's latest Annual Report on Form 10-K. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal, recurring adjustments) necessary for a fair presentation for the periods presented have been included. The results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the full year.

# **Principles of Consolidation**

Our consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Trust, its corporate subsidiaries, and all entities in which the Trust has a controlling interest or has been determined to be the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity ("VIE"). The equity interests of other investors are reflected as noncontrolling interests or redeemable noncontrolling interests. All significant intercompany transactions and balances are eliminated in consolidation. We account for our interests in joint ventures, which we do not control, using the equity method of accounting. Certain 2016 amounts have been reclassified to conform to current period presentation.

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, referred to as "GAAP," requires management to make estimates and assumptions that in certain circumstances affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and revenues and expenses. These estimates are prepared using management's best judgment, after considering past, current and expected events and economic conditions. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

We are currently under construction on 221 condominium units at our Assembly Row and Pike & Rose properties. Gains or losses on the sale of these condominium units are recognized in accordance with the provisions of ASC Topic 360-20, "Property, Plant and Equipment – Real Estate Sales." We account for contracted condominium sales under the percentage-of-completion method, based on an evaluation of the criteria specified in ASC Topic 360-20 including: the legal commitment of the purchaser in the real estate contract, whether the construction of the project is beyond a preliminary phase, whether sufficient units have been contracted to ensure the project will not revert to a rental project, the ability to reasonably estimate the aggregate project sale proceeds and aggregate project costs, and the determination that the buyer has made an adequate initial and continuing cash investment under the contract. When the percentage-of-completion criteria have not been met, no profit is recognized. The application of this criteria can be complex and requires us to make assumptions.

# **Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements**

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers." ASU 2014-09 as amended and interpreted by ASU 2015-14, ASU 2016-08, ASU 2016-10, ASU 2016-12, and ASU 2016-20, supersedes nearly all existing revenue recognition guidance under GAAP and replaces it with a core revenue recognition principle, that an entity will recognize revenue when it transfers control of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services, and creates a five-step model for revenue recognition in accordance with this principle. While we are still completing the assessment of the impact of these

standards to our consolidated financial statements, we believe the majority of our revenue falls outside of the scope of this

guidance. However, the new guidance will affect the accounting method related to our gains on condominium sales. Currently, gains on contracted sales are recognized using the percentage-of-completion method, with the gain recognized once certain criteria have been met in advance of legal closing (see further discussion in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements). Under the new guidance, condominium sale gains will be recognized as the condominium units are legally sold, which will typically be upon closing. We intend to implement the new revenue recognition guidance retrospectively with the cumulative effect recognized in retained earnings at the date of initial application.

In February 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-05, "Other Income - Gains and Losses from the Derecognition of Nonfinancial Assets (Subtopic 610-20): Clarifying the Scope of Asset Derecognition Guidance and Accounting for Partial Sales of Nonfinancial Assets." ASU 2017-05 clarifies that ASC 610-20 applies to all nonfinancial assets (including real estate) for which the counterparty is not a customer and also clarifies that all businesses are derecognized using the deconsolidation guidance. Additionally, it defines an insubstance nonfinancial asset as a financial asset that is promised to a counterparty in a contract in which substantially all of the fair value of the assets promised in the contract is concentrated in nonfinancial assets, which excludes cash or cash equivalents and liabilities. The new guidance is expected to impact the gain recognized when a real estate asset is sold to a non-customer and a noncontrolling interest is retained. Under the current guidance, a partial sale is recognized and carryover basis is used for the retained interest, however, the new guidance eliminates the use of carryover basis and generally requires a full gain to be recognized. ASU 2017-05 is effective for us in the first quarter of 2018, and we are currently assessing the impact of this standard to our consolidated financial statements.

In May 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-09, "Compensation-Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Scope of Modification Accounting." ASU 2017-09 clarifies when changes to the terms or conditions of a share-based payment award must be accounted for as modifications. Under the new guidance, an entity will not apply modification accounting if the awards' fair value, vesting conditions, and the classification of the award as equity or a liability are the same immediately before and after the change. ASU 2017-09 is effective for us in the first quarter of 2018, is applied prospectively to awards granted or modified after the adoption date, and is not expected to have a significant impact to our consolidated financial statements.

#### **Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements**

In March 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-09, "Compensation - Stock Compensation." ASU 2016-09 simplifies the accounting for share-based payment transactions, including a policy election option with respect to accounting for forfeitures either as they occur or estimating forfeitures (as is currently required), as well as increasing the amount an employer can withhold to cover income taxes on equity awards. Additionally, ASU 2016-09 requires the cash paid to a taxing authority when shares are withheld to pay employee taxes to be classified as a "financing activity" rather than an "operating activity," as was done previously on the Statement of Cash Flows. We adopted this standard effective January 1, 2017, and as a result, we are now accounting for forfeitures as they occur, and have recorded the cumulative impact on the adoption date as a \$0.1 million adjustment to additional paid in capital and retained earnings. The amount reclassified from "operating activities" to "financing activities" for shares withheld for employee taxes was \$4.4 million.

In January 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-01, "Clarifying the Definition of a Business." ASU 2017-01 changes the definition of a business to exclude acquisitions where substantially all of the fair value of the assets acquired are concentrated in a single identifiable asset or a group of similar identifiable assets. Given this change in definition, we believe most of our shopping center acquisitions will no longer be considered business combinations but rather asset acquisitions. While there are various differences between the accounting for an asset acquisition and a business combination, the largest impact will be that transaction costs are capitalized for asset acquisitions rather than expensed when they were considered business combinations. Based on acquisitions in the past several years, transaction costs for a single shopping center acquisition have typically ranged from \$0.2 million to \$2.4 million with significantly higher transaction costs expected for an acquisition of a larger portfolio. We adopted this standard effective January 1, 2017, and are applying the new guidance prospectively. Our acquisitions in the first nine months of 2017 (further discussed in Note 3 below) qualified as asset acquisitions and consequently, all transaction costs were capitalized.

# Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows—Supplemental Disclosures

The following table provides supplemental disclosures related to the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,				
		2017		2016	
		(In tho	usands)		
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES:					
Total interest costs incurred	\$	92,520	\$	83,803	
Interest capitalized		(18,568)		(12,660)	
Interest expense	\$	73,952	\$	71,143	
Cash paid for interest, net of amounts capitalized	\$	70,486	\$	66,921	
Cash paid for income taxes	\$	342	\$	300	
NON-CASH INVESTING AND FINANCING TRANSACTIONS:					
Mortgage loans refinanced	\$	166,823	\$	_	
Mortgage loans assumed with acquisition	\$	79,401	\$	34,385	
DownREIT operating partnership units issued with acquisition of noncontrolling interest	\$	5,918	\$		
DownREIT operating partnership units redeemed for common shares	\$	2,569	\$	18,679	
Shares issued under dividend reinvestment plan	\$	1,528	\$	1,523	

# NOTE 3-REAL ESTATE

On February 1, 2017, we acquired a leasehold interest in Hastings Ranch Plaza, a 274,000 square foot shopping center in Pasadena, California for \$29.5 million. The land is subject to a long-term ground lease that expires on April 30, 2054. Approximately \$21.5 million of assets acquired were allocated to lease intangibles and included within other assets. Approximately \$15.2 million of net assets acquired were allocated to lease liabilities and included in other liabilities.

On March 31, 2017, we acquired the fee interest in Riverpoint Center, a 211,000 square foot shopping center in the Lincoln Park neighborhood of Chicago, Illinois for \$107.0 million. Approximately \$1.0 million and \$12.3 million of net assets acquired were allocated to other assets for "above market leases," and other liabilities for "below market leases," respectively.

We leased three parcels of land at our Assembly Row property to two ground lessees. During 2016, both lessees exercised purchase options under the related ground leases. The sale transaction related to the purchase option on one of our ground leases was completed on April 4, 2017 for a sales price of \$36.0 million. On June 28, 2017, the sale transactions related to the purchase options on our other two ground lease parcels were completed for a total sales price of \$17.3 million. The net gain recognized in connection with these transactions was approximately \$15.4 million.

On May 19, 2017, we acquired the fee interest in a 71,000 square foot, mixed-use property located in Berkeley, California based on a gross value of \$23.9 million. The acquisition was completed through a newly formed entity for which we own a 90% controlling interest. Approximately \$0.8 million and \$0.3 million of net assets acquired were allocated to other assets for "above market leases," and other liabilities for "below market leases," respectively. Additionally, approximately \$2.4 million was allocated to noncontrolling interests.

On August 2, 2017, we acquired an approximately 90% interest in a joint venture that owns six shopping centers in Los Angeles County, California based on a gross value of \$357 million, including the assumption of \$79.4 million of mortgage debt. Approximately \$7.8 million of assets acquired were allocated to lease intangibles and included within other assets. Approximately \$36.2 million of net assets acquired were allocated to lease liabilities and included in other liabilities. Additionally, approximately \$30.6 million was allocated to noncontrolling interests. That joint venture also acquired a 24.5% interest in La Alameda, a shopping center in Walnut Park, California for \$19.8 million. The property has \$41.0 million of mortgage debt, of which the joint venture's share is approximately \$10 million. Additional information on the properties is listed below:

Property	City/State	GLA
		(in square feet)
Azalea	South Gate, CA	222,000
Bell Gardens	Bell Gardens, CA	330,000
La Alameda	Walnut Park, CA	245,000
Olivo at Mission Hills (1)	Mission Hills, CA	155,000
Plaza Del Sol	South El Monte, CA	48,000
Plaza Pacoima	Pacoima, CA	204,000
Sylmar Towne Center	Sylmar, CA	148,000
		1,352,000

(1) Property is currently being redeveloped. GLA reflects approximate square footage once the property is open and operating.

The following unaudited pro forma financial data includes the incremental revenues, operating expenses (including approximately \$2.8 million and \$8.5 million of depreciation and amortization expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively), and interest expense/financing costs related to the properties acquired on August 2, 2017 as if they had occurred on January 1, 2016. The pro forma financial information is presented for informational purposes only and may not be indicative of what actual results of income would have been, nor does it represent the results of income for future periods.

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>				Nine Months Ended			
	September 30,				September 30,			
	 2017		2016		2017		2016	
			(in millions)	) (unau	dited)			
Total revenue	\$ 220.2	\$	207.3	\$	649.0	\$	616.0	
Net income available for common shareholders	106.2		57.5		235.9		187.5	

On August 25, 2017, we sold our property located at 150 Post Street in San Francisco, California for a sales price of \$69.3 million, resulting in a gain of \$45.2 million.

On September 25, 2017, we sold our North Lake Commons property in Lake Zurich, Illinois for a sales price of \$15.6 million, resulting in a gain of \$4.9 million.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 we recognized a \$0.6 million and \$3.9 million gain, respectively, net of \$0.3 million and \$2.0 million of income taxes, respectively, related to the sale of condominiums at our Assembly Row property based on the percentage-of-completion method. In connection with recording the gain, we recognized a receivable of \$59.1 million as of September 30, 2017. The closing of the Assembly Row condominium sales is expected to commence in 2018. As of September 30, 2017, no gain has been recognized for contracted condominium sales at Pike & Rose, as not all of the criteria necessary for profit recognition have been met.

# NOTE 4-DEBT

On June 5, 2017 we refinanced the \$175.0 million mortgage loan on Plaza El Segundo at a face amount of \$125.0 million and repaid the remaining \$50.0 million at par. The new mortgage loan bears interest at 3.83% and matures on June 5, 2027.

On June 23, 2017, we issued \$400.0 million aggregate principal amount of fixed rate senior unsecured notes in two separate series. We issued \$300.0 million of 3.25% notes that mature on July 15, 2027, were offered at 99.083% of the principal amount, with a yield to maturity of 3.358%. Additionally, we issued \$100.0 million of 4.50% notes due December 1, 2044. The 4.50% notes were offered at 105.760% of the principal amount, with a yield to maturity of 4.143%, and have the same terms and are of the same series as the senior notes first issued on November 14, 2014. Our net proceeds from the June note offering after net issuance premium, underwriting fees and other costs was approximately \$399.5 million.

In connection with the acquisition of six shopping centers in Los Angeles County, California on August 2, 2017 (as further discussed in Note 3), we assumed mortgage loans with a face amount of \$79.4 million and a fair value of \$80.1 million. The mortgage loans are secured by the individual properties with the following contractual terms:

	]	Principal	Stated Interest Rate	<b>Maturity Date</b>
	(ii	n millions)		
Sylmar Towne Center	\$	17.5	5.39%	June 6, 2021
Plaza Del Sol		8.6	5.23%	December 1, 2021
Azalea		40.0	3.73%	November 1, 2025
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On August 31, 2017, we refinanced the \$41.8 million mortgage loan, at par, on The Grove at Shrewsbury (East) at a face amount of \$43.6 million. The new mortgage loan bears interest at 3.77% and matures on September 1, 2027.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, the maximum amount of borrowings outstanding under our \$800.0 million revolving credit facility was \$281.5 million and \$344.0 million, respectively, and the weighted average interest rate, before amortization of debt fees, was 2.1% and 1.9%, respectively. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, the weighted average borrowings outstanding were \$172.7 million and \$173.0 million, respectively. At September 30, 2017, there was \$41.5 million outstanding balance. Our revolving credit facility, term loan and certain notes require us to comply with various financial covenants, including the maintenance of minimum shareholders' equity and debt coverage ratios and a maximum ratio of debt to net worth. As of September 30, 2017, we were in compliance with all default related debt covenants.

# NOTE 5—FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Except as disclosed below, the carrying amount of our financial instruments approximates their fair value. The fair value of our mortgages payable, notes payable and senior notes and debentures is sensitive to fluctuations in interest rates. Quoted market prices (Level 1) were used to estimate the fair value of our marketable senior notes and debentures and discounted cash flow analysis (Level 2) is generally used to estimate the fair value of our mortgages and notes payable. Considerable judgment is necessary to estimate the fair value of financial instruments. The estimates of fair value presented herein are not necessarily indicative of the amounts that could be realized upon disposition of the financial instruments. A summary of the carrying amount and fair value of our mortgages payable, notes payable and senior notes and debentures is as follows:

	Septemb	er 30, 2	2017		Decembe	er 31, 2016		
	 Carrying Value		Fair Value		Carrying Value		Fair Value	
		(In thousands)						
Mortgages and notes payable	\$ 813,958	\$	826,012	\$	750,268	\$	760,260	
Senior notes and debentures	\$ 2,377,939	\$	2,452,494	\$	1,976,594	\$	2,015,973	

As of September 30, 2017, we have two interest rate swap agreements with a notional amount of \$275.0 million that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis. The interest rate swap agreements fix the variable portion of our \$275.0 million term loan at 1.72% through November 1, 2018. We assess effectiveness of our cash flow hedges both at inception and on an ongoing basis. The effective portion of changes in fair value of the interest rate swaps associated with our cash flow hedges is recorded in accumulated other comprehensive loss and is subsequently reclassified into interest expense as interest is incurred on the related variable rate debt. Within the next 12 months, we expect to reclassify an estimated \$0.7 million as an increase to interest expense. Our cash flow hedges become ineffective if critical terms of the hedging instrument and the debt instrument do not perfectly match such as notional amounts, settlement dates, reset dates, calculation period and LIBOR rate. In addition, we evaluate the default risk of the counterparty by monitoring the credit-worthiness of the counterparty. When ineffectiveness exists, the ineffective portion of changes in fair value of the interest rate swaps associated with our cash flow hedges is recognized in earnings in the period affected. Hedge ineffectiveness has not impacted earnings as of September 30, 2017, and we do not anticipate it will have a significant effect in the future.

The fair values of the interest rate swap agreements are based on the estimated amounts we would receive or pay to terminate the contracts at the reporting date and are determined using interest rate pricing models and interest rate related observable inputs. The fair value of our swaps at September 30, 2017 was a liability of \$0.7 million and is included in "accounts payable and accrued expenses" on our consolidated balance sheet. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, the change in valuation on our interest rate swaps resulted in a \$0.4 million and \$1.8 million decrease in our derivative liability, respectively, (including \$0.4 million and \$1.5 million, respectively, reclassified from other comprehensive loss to interest expense). The change in valuation on our interest rate swaps is included in "accumulated other comprehensive loss."

A summary of our financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis, by level within the fair value hierarchy is as follows:

	 September 30, 2017									December 31, 2016									
	 Level 1	L	evel 2	L	evel 3		Total Level 1		vel 1	Level 2		Level 3			Total				
		(In thousa						usands)											
Interest rate swaps	\$ 	\$	742	\$		\$	742	\$	—	\$	2,577	\$	—	\$	2,577				

# NOTE 6—COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

We are sometimes involved in lawsuits, warranty claims, and environmental matters arising in the ordinary course of business. Management makes assumptions and estimates concerning the likelihood and amount of any potential loss relating to these matters.

We are currently a party to various legal proceedings. We accrue a liability for litigation if an unfavorable outcome is probable and the amount of loss can be reasonably estimated. If an unfavorable outcome is probable and a reasonable estimate of the loss is a range, we accrue the best estimate within the range; however, if no amount within the range is a better estimate than any other amount, the minimum within the range is accrued. Legal fees related to litigation are expensed as incurred. We do not believe that the ultimate outcome of these matters, either individually or in the aggregate, could have a material adverse effect on our financial position or overall trends in results of operations; however, litigation is subject to inherent uncertainties. Also under our leases, tenants are typically obligated to indemnify us from and against all liabilities, costs and expenses imposed upon or asserted against us (1) as owner of the properties due to certain matters relating to the operation of the properties by the tenant, and (2) where appropriate, due to certain matters relating to the ownership of the properties prior to their acquisition by us.

Under the terms of certain partnership agreements, the partners have the right to exchange their operating partnership units for cash or the same number of our common shares, at our option. A total of 787,962 downREIT operating partnership units are outstanding which have a total fair value of \$97.9 million, based on our closing stock price on September 30, 2017.

On January 12, 2017, we exercised our purchase option on non-controlling interests in San Antonio Center for \$2.6 million of cash and 44,195 of downREIT operating partnership units.

# NOTE 7—SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

The following table provides a summary of dividends declared and paid per share:

			Nine	Months En	ded S	eptember 3	0,		
		20	017			2	016	6	
	I	Declared Paid		Declared			Paid		
Common shares	\$	2.960	\$	2.940	\$	2.860	\$	2.820	
5.417% Series 1 Cumulative Convertible Preferred shares	\$	1.016	\$	1.016	\$	1.016	\$	1.016	

We have an at the market ("ATM") equity program in which we may from time to time offer and sell common shares having an aggregate offering price of up to \$400.0 million. We intend to use the net proceeds to fund potential acquisition opportunities, fund our development and redevelopment pipeline, repay amounts outstanding under our revolving credit facility and/or for general corporate purposes. For the three months ended September 30, 2017, we issued 226,739 common shares at a weighted average price per share of \$131.00 for net cash proceeds of \$29.3 million and paid \$0.3 million in commissions and \$0.1 million in additional offering expenses related to the sales of these common shares. For the nine months ended September 30, 2017, we issued 325,397 common shares at a weighted average price per share of \$133.09 for net cash proceeds of \$42.7 million and paid \$0.4 million in commissions and \$0.1 million in additional offering expenses related to the sales of these common shares. As of September 30, 2017, we had the capacity to issue up to \$327.6 million in common shares under our ATM equity program.

On September 29, 2017, we issued 6,000,000 Depository Shares, each representing 1/1000th interest in a 5.0% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Share, par value \$0.01 per share, ("Series C Preferred Shares") at the liquidation preference of \$25.00 per depository share (or \$25,000 per Series C Preferred share) in an underwritten public offering. The Series C Preferred Shares accrue dividends at a rate of 5.0% of the \$25,000 liquidation preference per year and are redeemable at our

option on or after September 29, 2022. Additionally, they are not convertible and holders of these shares generally have no voting rights, unless we fail to pay dividends for six or more quarters. The net proceeds after underwriting fees and other costs were approximately \$145.0 million.

# NOTE 8—COMPONENTS OF RENTAL INCOME

The principal components of rental income are as follows:

		<b>Three Months Ended</b>				Nine Mo	nths E	nded		
		Septen	nber 3	0,		Septer	nber 3	0,		
	2017 2016			2016	2017			2016		
	(In thousands)									
Minimum rents										
Retail and commercial	\$	147,971	\$	137,009	\$	434,390	\$	409,027		
Residential		13,837		12,886		40,781		36,476		
Cost reimbursement		43,602		40,565		124,997		119,004		
Percentage rents		2,304		2,315		7,524		7,866		
Other		4,334		4,694		13,049		13,339		
Total rental income	\$	212,048	\$	197,469	\$	620,741	\$	585,712		

Minimum rents include the following:

	Three Mo	nths E	Inded		Nine Mor	ths Ei	nded
	 Septen	ıber 3	0,		Septen	ıber 3	0,
	 2017		2016		2017		2016
			(In mi	llions)			
Straight-line rents	\$ 3.9	\$	1.5	\$	11.3	\$	6.2
Amortization of above market leases	\$ (1.6)	\$	(1.7)	\$	(4.4)	\$	(5.3)
Amortization of below market leases	\$ 2.5	\$	2.2	\$	7.7	\$	6.5

# NOTE 9-SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION PLANS

A summary of share-based compensation expense included in net income is as follows:

	Three Mo	nths H	Ended		Nine Mor	ths E	nded
	 Septen	iber 3	30,		Septen	nber 3	i <b>0</b> ,
	2017		2016		2017		2016
			(In thou	isand	5)		
Grants of common shares and options	\$ 2,945	\$	2,766	\$	9,402	\$	8,818
Capitalized share-based compensation	(405)		(375)		(1,103)		(1,002)
Share-based compensation expense	\$ 2,540	\$	2,391	\$	8,299	\$	7,816

# NOTE 10—EARNINGS PER SHARE

We have calculated earnings per share ("EPS") under the two-class method. The two-class method is an earnings allocation methodology whereby EPS for each class of common stock and participating securities is calculated according to dividends declared and participation rights in undistributed earnings. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, we had 0.2 million weighted average unvested shares outstanding, which are considered participating securities. Therefore, we have allocated our earnings for basic and diluted EPS between common shares and unvested shares; the portion of earnings allocated to the unvested shares is reflected as "earnings allocated to unvested shares" in the reconciliation below.

In the dilutive EPS calculation, dilutive stock options were calculated using the treasury stock method consistent with prior periods. There were 682 antidilutive stock options for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, and no anti-



dilutive stock options for the thee and nine months ended September 30, 2016. The conversions of downREIT operating partnership units and 5.417% Series 1 Cumulative Convertible Preferred Shares are anti-dilutive for all periods presented and accordingly, have been excluded from the weighted average common shares used to compute diluted EPS.

	Three Mo	nths	Ended	Nine Mo	nths	Ended
	 Septen	ıber	30,	Septer	nber	30,
	 2017		2016	2017		2016
	(1	n tho	ousands, exc	ept per share da	ta)	
NUMERATOR						
Income from continuing operations	\$ 58,107	\$	56,253	\$ 175,136	\$	166,701
Less: Preferred share dividends	(177)		(136)	(448)		(406)
Less: Income from continuing operations attributable to noncontrolling interests	(2,105)		(1,982)	(5,537)		(5,961)
Less: Earnings allocated to unvested shares	(317)		(170)	(785)		(534)
Income from continuing operations available for common shareholders	55,508		53,965	168,366		159,800
Gain on sale of real estate and change in control of interests, net	50,775		4,706	69,659		31,133
Net income available for common shareholders, basic and diluted	\$ 106,283	\$	58,671	\$ 238,025	\$	190,933
DENOMINATOR	 					
Weighted average common shares outstanding—basic	72,091		71,319	71,983		70,626
Stock options	 115		170	127		178
Weighted average common shares outstanding—diluted	72,206		71,489	72,110		70,804
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE, BASIC:						
Net income available for common shareholders	\$ 1.47	\$	0.82	\$ 3.31	\$	2.70
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE, DILUTED:	 	_			-	
Net income available for common shareholders	\$ 1.47	\$	0.82	\$ 3.30	\$	2.70
Income from continuing operations attributable to the Trust	\$ 56,002	\$	54,271	\$ 169,599	\$	160,740

# ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

# **Forward-Looking Statements**

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the consolidated interim financial statements and notes thereto appearing in Item 1 of this report and the more detailed information contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on February 13, 2017.

This Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. When we refer to forward-looking statements or information, sometimes we use words such as "may," "will," "could," "should," "plans," "intends," "expects," "believes," "estimates," "anticipates" and "continues." Forward-looking statements are not historical facts or guarantees of future performance and involve certain known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors, many of which are outside our control, that could cause actual results to differ materially from those we describe.

Given these uncertainties, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements that we make, including those in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Except as may be required by law, we make no promise to update any of the forward-looking statements as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. You should carefully review the risks and the risk factors included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 and under Part II, Item 1A in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, before making any investments in us.

#### Overview

We are an equity real estate investment trust ("REIT") specializing in the ownership, management, and redevelopment of high quality retail and mixed-use properties located primarily in densely populated and affluent communities in strategically selected metropolitan markets in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions of the United States, California, and South Florida. As of September 30, 2017, we owned or had a majority interest in community and neighborhood shopping centers and mixed-use properties which are operated as 104 predominantly retail real estate projects comprising approximately 24.1 million square feet. In total, the real estate projects were 94.9% leased and 93.8% occupied at September 30, 2017.

#### 2017 Significant Property Acquisitions & Dispositions

On February 1, 2017, we acquired a leasehold interest in Hastings Ranch Plaza, a 274,000 square foot shopping center in Pasadena, California for \$29.5 million. The land is subject to a long-term ground lease that expires on April 30, 2054. Approximately \$21.5 million of assets acquired were allocated to lease intangibles and included within other assets. Approximately \$15.2 million of net assets acquired were allocated to lease liabilities and included in other liabilities.

On March 31, 2017, we acquired the fee interest in Riverpoint Center, a 211,000 square foot shopping center in the Lincoln Park neighborhood of Chicago, Illinois for \$107.0 million. Approximately \$1.0 million and \$12.3 million of net assets acquired were allocated to other assets for "above market leases," and other liabilities for "below market leases," respectively.

On April 4, 2017 and June 28, 2017, the sale transactions at our Assembly Row property in Somerville, Massachusetts related to the purchase options on our Partners HealthCare and AvalonBay ground lease parcels, respectively, closed. The total sales price was \$53.3 million, which resulted in a gain of \$15.4 million.

On May 19, 2017, we acquired the fee interest in a 71,000 square foot, mixed-use property located in Berkeley, California based on a gross value of \$23.9 million. The acquisition was completed through a newly formed entity for which we own a 90% controlling interest. Approximately \$0.8 million and \$0.3 million of net assets acquired were allocated to other assets for "above market leases," and other liabilities for "below market leases," respectively. Additionally, approximately \$2.4 million was allocated to noncontrolling interests.

On August 2, 2017, we acquired an approximately 90% interest in a joint venture that owns six shopping centers in Los Angeles County, California based on a gross value of \$357 million, including the assumption of \$79.4 million of mortgage debt. Approximately \$7.8 million of assets acquired were allocated to lease intangibles and included within other assets. Approximately \$36.2 million of net assets acquired were allocated to lease liabilities and included in other liabilities. Additionally, approximately \$30.6 million was allocated to noncontrolling interests. That joint venture also acquired a 24.5% interest in La Alameda, a shopping center in Walnut Park, California for \$19.8 million. The property has \$41 million of mortgage debt, of which the joint venture's share is approximately \$10 million. Additional information on the properties is listed below:

Property	City/State	GLA
		(in square feet)
Azalea	South Gate, CA	222,000
Bell Gardens	Bell Gardens, CA	330,000
La Alameda	Walnut Park, CA	245,000
Olivo at Mission Hills (1)	Mission Hills, CA	155,000
Plaza Del Sol	South El Monte, CA	48,000
Plaza Pacoima	Pacoima, CA	204,000
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		1,352,000

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# **Capitalized Costs**

Certain external and internal costs directly related to the development, redevelopment and leasing of real estate, including pre-construction costs, real estate taxes, insurance, construction costs and salaries and related costs of personnel directly involved, are capitalized. We capitalized certain external and internal costs related to both development and redevelopment activities of \$320 million and \$6 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2017, and \$289 million and \$7 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. We capitalized external and internal costs related to other property improvements of \$47 million and \$2 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2017, and \$39 million and \$2 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2017, and \$39 million and \$2 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2017, and \$39 million and \$2 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2017, and \$39 million and \$2 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2017, and \$39 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2017, and \$5 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The amount of capitalized internal costs for salaries and related benefits for development and redevelopment activities, other property improvements, and leasing activities were \$6 million, \$2 million, and \$5 million, for the nine months ended September 30, 2017, and \$6 million, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2016. Total capitalized costs were \$386 million and \$348 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

# **Recently Issued and Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements**

See Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements.

# Outlook

We seek growth in earnings, funds from operations, and cash flows primarily through a combination of the following:

- growth in our same-center portfolio,
  - growth in our portfolio from property development and redevelopments, and
    - expansion of our portfolio through property acquisitions.

Our same-center growth is primarily driven by increases in rental rates on new leases and lease renewals, changes in portfolio occupancy, and the redevelopment of those assets. Over the long-term, the infill nature and strong demographics of our properties provide a strategic advantage allowing us to maintain relatively high occupancy and increase rental rates. We continue to see strong levels of interest from prospective tenants for our retail spaces; however, the time it takes to complete new lease deals is longer, as tenants have become more selective and more deliberate in their decision-making process. We have also experienced extended periods of time for some government agencies to process permits and inspections further delaying rent commencement on newly leased spaces. Additionally, we have seen an overall decrease in the number of tenants available to fill anchor spaces, and have seen in 2017, an uptick in the number of retail tenants closing early and/or filing for bankruptcy. We believe the locations of our centers and diverse tenant base partially mitigates any potential negative changes in the economic environment. However, any significant reduction in our tenants' abilities to pay base rent, percentage rent or other charges will adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations. We seek to maintain a mix of strong national, regional, and local retailers. At September 30, 2017, no single tenant accounted for more than 2.9% of annualized base rent.

Our properties are located primarily in densely populated and/or affluent areas with high barriers to entry which allow us to take advantage of redevelopment opportunities that enhance our operating performance through renovation, expansion, reconfiguration, and/or retenanting. We evaluate our properties on an ongoing basis to identify these types of opportunities. We currently have redevelopment projects underway with a projected total cost of approximately \$242 million that we expect to stabilize in the next several years.



We continue our ongoing redevelopment efforts at Santana Row and are proceeding with an eight story 284,000 square foot office building which will include 29,000 square feet of retail space and 1,300 parking spaces. The building is expected to cost between \$205 million and \$215 million and to deliver in 2019. After current phases, we have approximately 4 acres remaining for further redevelopment and entitlements in place for an additional 395 residential units and 321,000 square feet of commercial space. Additionally, we control 12 acres of land adjacent to Santana Row.

We continue to invest in our long-term multi-phased mixed-use development projects at Assembly Row in Somerville, Massachusetts and Pike & Rose in North Bethesda, Maryland which we expect to be involved in over the coming years.

Construction of Phase II of Assembly Row which will include 161,000 square feet of retail space, a 158 room boutique hotel and 447 residential units is underway. The hotel will be owned and operated by a joint venture in which we are a partner. Approximately 36,000 square feet of retail space in Phase II has opened in 2017, and in September, the first tenants moved into the new residential building. Total expected costs range from \$280 million to \$295 million and delivery is expected through 2017 and 2018. Phase II will also include 122 for-sale condominium units with an expected total cost of \$74 million to \$79 million. Additionally, as part of the second phase, we entered into a ground lease agreement with Partners HealthCare to bring 741,500 square feet of office space to Assembly Row. The ground lease agreement included a purchase option, which was exercised and the related sale closed on April 4, 2017.

Construction of Phase II of Pike & Rose is also underway. Phase II will include approximately 216,000 square feet of retail space, a 177 room boutique hotel and 272 residential units. Approximately 102,000 square feet of retail space in Phase II has opened in 2017, and in August, the first tenants moved into the new residential building. Total expected costs range from \$200 million to \$207 million and delivery is expected through 2017 and 2018. The hotel will be owned and operated by a joint venture in which we are a partner. Phase II will also include 99 for-sale condominium units with an expected cost of \$53 million to \$58 million.

Including costs incurred in the first nine months of 2017, we expect to invest between \$270 million and \$300 million at Assembly Row and Pike & Rose in 2017.

The development of future phases of Assembly Row, Pike & Rose and Santana Row will be pursued opportunistically based on, among other things, market conditions, tenant demand, and our evaluation of whether those phases will generate an appropriate financial return.

We continue to review acquisition opportunities in our primary markets that complement our portfolio and provide long-term growth opportunities. Initially, some of our acquisitions do not contribute significantly to earnings growth; however, we believe they provide long-term re-leasing growth, redevelopment opportunities, and other strategic opportunities. Any growth from acquisitions is contingent on our ability to find properties that meet our qualitative standards at prices that meet our financial hurdles. Changes in interest rates may affect our success in achieving earnings growth through acquisitions by affecting both the price that must be paid to acquire a property, as well as our ability to economically finance the property acquisition. Generally, our acquisitions are initially financed by available cash and/or borrowings under our revolving credit facility which may be repaid later with funds raised through the issuance of new equity or new long-term debt. We may also finance our acquisitions through the issuance of common shares, preferred shares, or downREIT units as well as through new or assumed mortgages and property sales.

At September 30, 2017, the leasable square feet in our properties was 94.9% leased and 93.8% occupied. The leased rate is higher than the occupied rate due to leased spaces that are being redeveloped or improved or that are awaiting permits and, therefore, are not yet ready to be occupied. Our occupancy and leased rates are subject to variability over time due to factors including acquisitions, the timing of the start and stabilization of our redevelopment projects, lease expirations and tenant closings and bankruptcies.

# Lease Rollovers

For the third quarter of 2017, we signed leases for a total of 424,000 square feet of retail space including 400,000 square feet of comparable space leases (leases for which there was a prior tenant) at an average rental increase of 14% on a cash basis and 27% on a straight-line basis. New leases for comparable spaces were signed for 165,000 square feet at an average rental increase of 23% on a cash basis and 36% on a straight-line basis. Renewals for comparable spaces were signed for 234,000 square feet at an average rental increase of 8% on a cash basis and 20% on a straight-line basis. Tenant improvements and incentives for comparable spaces were \$51.81 per square foot for new leases and \$7.89 per square foot for renewals for the three months ended September 30, 2017.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2017, we signed leases for a total of 1,448,000 square feet of retail space including 1,321,000 square feet of comparable space leases (leases for which there was a prior tenant) at an average rental increase of



13% on a cash basis and 26% on a straight-line basis. New leases for comparable spaces were signed for 615,000 square feet at an average rental increase of 19% on a cash basis and 33% on a straight-line basis. Renewals for comparable spaces were signed for 706,000 square feet at an average rental increase of 9% on a cash basis and 21% on a straight-line basis. Tenant improvements and incentives for comparable spaces were \$62.57 per square foot for new leases and \$14.33 per square foot for renewals for the nine months ended September 30, 2017.

The rental increases associated with comparable spaces generally include all leases signed in arms-length transactions reflecting market leverage between landlords and tenants during the period. The comparison between average rent for expiring leases and new leases is determined by including minimum rent and percentage rent paid on the expiring lease and minimum rent and in some instances, projections of first lease year percentage rent, to be paid on the new lease. In atypical circumstances, management may exercise judgment as to how to most effectively reflect the comparability of spaces reported in this calculation. The change in rental income on comparable space leases is impacted by numerous factors including current market rates, location, individual tenant creditworthiness, use of space, market conditions when the expiring lease was signed, capital investment made in the space and the specific lease structure. Tenant improvements and incentives include the total dollars committed for the improvement (fit out) of a space as it relates to a specific lease and, except for redevelopments, may also include base building costs (i.e. expansion, escalators or new entrances) which are required to make the space leasable. Incentives include amounts paid to tenants as inducement to sign a lease that do not represent building improvements.

The leases signed in 2017 generally become effective over the following two years though some may not become effective until 2020 and beyond. Further, there is risk that some new tenants will not ultimately take possession of their space and that tenants for both new and renewal leases may not pay all of their contractual rent due to operating, financing or other matters. However, these increases do provide information about the tenant/landlord relationship and the potential increase we may achieve in rental income over time.

Historically, we have executed comparable space leases for 1.2 to 1.5 million square feet of retail space each year, and expect that volume for 2017 will be in line with, or slightly above, our historical averages with overall positive increases in rental income. However, changes in rental income associated with individual signed leases on comparable spaces may be positive or negative, and we can provide no assurance that the rents on new leases will continue to increase at the above disclosed levels, if at all.

### Same-Center

Throughout this section, we have provided certain information on a "same-center" basis. Information provided on a same-center basis includes the results of properties that we owned and operated for the entirety of both periods being compared except for properties for which significant redevelopment or expansion occurred during either of the periods being compared. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, all or a portion of 83 and 78 properties, respectively, were considered same-center and 16 and 15 properties, respectively, were considered redevelopment or expansion. For the nine months ended September 30, 2017, one property and one portion of a property were moved from redevelopment to same-center and two properties were removed from same-center as they were sold in the third quarter of 2017, compared to the designations as of December 31, 2016. While there is judgment surrounding changes in designations, we typically move redevelopment properties to same-center once they have stabilized, which is typically considered 95% physical occupancy or when the growth expected from the redevelopment has been included in the comparable periods. We typically remove properties from same center when the redevelopment has or is expected to have a significant impact to property operating income within the calendar year. Acquisitions are moved to same-center once we have owned the property for the entirety of comparable periods and the property is not under significant redevelopment or expansion.

# **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS - THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 AND 2016**

				Change	ge	
	 2017	2016		Dollars	%	
		(Dollar amounts	in tho	,		
Rental income	\$ 212,048	\$ 197,469	\$	14,579	7.4 %	
Other property income	5,171	2,759		2,412	87.4 %	
Mortgage interest income	734	929		(195)	(21.0)%	
Total property revenue	 217,953	201,157		16,796	8.3 %	
Rental expenses	 41,250	38,588		2,662	6.9 %	
Real estate taxes	27,492	24,973		2,519	10.1 %	
Total property expenses	 68,742	 63,561		5,181	8.2 %	
Property operating income (1)	 149,211	 137,596		11,615	8.4 %	
General and administrative expense	(9,103)	(8,232)		(871)	10.6 %	
Depreciation and amortization	(55,611)	(48,903)		(6,708)	13.7 %	
Operating Income	 84,497	 80,461		4,036	5.0 %	
Other interest income	79	105		(26)	(24.8)%	
Interest expense	(26,287)	(24,313)		(1,974)	8.1 %	
Loss from real estate partnerships	(182)			(182)	(100.0)%	
Total other, net	 (26,390)	 (24,208)		(2,182)	9.0 %	
Income from continuing operations	58,107	 56,253		1,854	3.3 %	
Gain on sale of real estate, net	50,775	4,945		45,830	926.8 %	
Net income	 108,882	 61,198		47,684	77.9 %	
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests	(2,105)	(2,221)		116	(5.2)%	
Net income attributable to the Trust	\$ 106,777	\$ 58,977	\$	47,800	81.0 %	

(1) Property operating income is a non-GAAP measure that consists of rental income, other property income and mortgage interest income, less rental expenses and real estate taxes. This measure is used internally to evaluate the performance of property operations and we consider it to be a significant measure. Property operating income should not be considered an alternative measure of operating results or cash flow from operations as determined in accordance with GAAP.

# **Property Revenues**

Total property revenue increased \$16.8 million, or 8.3%, to \$218.0 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$201.2 million in the three months ended September 30, 2016. The percentage occupied at our shopping centers was 93.8% at September 30, 2017 compared to 93.1% at September 30, 2016. Changes in the components of property revenue are discussed below.

# Rental Income

Rental income consists primarily of minimum rent, cost reimbursements from tenants and percentage rent. Rental income increased \$14.6 million, or 7.4%, to \$212.0 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$197.5 million in the three months ended September 30, 2016 due primarily to the following:

- an increase of \$7.4 million from acquisitions, primarily related to the six shopping centers acquired in Los Angeles County, California, Riverpoint Center, and Hastings Ranch Plaza,
- an increase of \$3.7 million at redevelopment properties due to the opening of our new office building at Santana Row in late 2016, the leaseup of two of our retail redevelopments, partially offset by lower occupancy at two of our retail properties in Florida in the beginning stages of redevelopment,
- an increase of \$2.8 million at same-center properties due primarily to higher rental rates of approximately \$2.3 million, and
- an increase of \$0.9 million from Assembly Row and Pike & Rose due primarily to the lease-up of residential units at Pike & Rose and the opening of the second phase of retail at both properties during 2017, partially offset by lower income from ground lease parcels which were sold in 2017.



#### Other Property Income

Other property income increased \$2.4 million or 87.4% to \$5.2 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$2.8 million in the three months ended September 30, 2016. Included in other property income are items which, although recurring, inherently tend to fluctuate more than rental income from period to period, such as lease termination fees. This increase is primarily related to higher lease termination fees.

#### Mortgage Interest Income

Mortgage interest income decreased \$0.2 million, or 21.0%, to \$0.7 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$0.9 million in the three months ended September 30, 2016. This decrease is related to a mortgage note receivable that was repaid in September 2016.

# **Property Expenses**

Total property expenses increased \$5.2 million, or 8.2%, to \$68.7 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$63.6 million in the three months ended September 30, 2016. Changes in the components of property expenses are discussed below.

#### Rental Expenses

Rental expenses increased \$2.7 million, or 6.9%, to \$41.3 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$38.6 million in the three months ended September 30, 2016. This increase is primarily due to the following:

- an increase of \$1.5 million from acquisitions, primarily related to six shopping centers acquired in Los Angeles County, California, Hastings Ranch Plaza, and Riverpoint Center,
- an increase of \$0.8 million from Assembly Row and Pike & Rose primarily related to Phase II of both properties, and
- an increase of \$0.5 million from redevelopment and same-center properties primarily due to higher bad debt expense.

As a result of the changes in rental income and rental expenses as discussed above, rental expenses as a percentage of rental income plus other property income decreased to 19.0% in the three months ended September 30, 2017 from 19.3% in the three months ended September 30, 2016.

# Real Estate Taxes

Real estate tax expense increased \$2.5 million, or 10.1%, to \$27.5 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$25.0 million in the three months ended September 30, 2016 due primarily to

- an increase of \$1.5 million from acquisitions, primarily related to our acquisition of six shopping centers in Los Angeles County, California, Riverpoint Center, and Hastings Ranch Plaza, and
- an increase of \$1.2 million at redevelopment and same-center properties due primarily to higher assessments and our new office building at Santana Row.

# **Property Operating Income**

Property operating income increased \$11.6 million, or 8.4%, to \$149.2 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$137.6 million in the three months ended September 30, 2016. This increase is primarily due to growth in earnings at same-center and redevelopment properties, our acquisition of six shopping centers in Los Angeles County, California in August 2017 and Riverpoint Center in March 2017, and Assembly Row and Pike & Rose.

# **Other Operating Expenses**

#### General and Administrative

General and administrative expense increased \$0.9 million, or 10.6%, to \$9.1 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017 from \$8.2 million in the three months ended September 30, 2016. This increase is primarily due to higher personnel costs.

#### Depreciation and Amortization

Depreciation and amortization expense increased \$6.7 million, or 13.7%, to \$55.6 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017 from \$48.9 million in the three months ended September 30, 2016. This increase is primarily due to 2017 acquisitions (primarily the acquisition of six shopping centers in Los Angeles County, California and Riverpoint Center),

redevelopment properties (largely the new office building at Santana Row), same-center properties, and Assembly Row and Pike & Rose.

#### **Operating Income**

Operating income increased \$4.0 million, or 5.0%, to \$84.5 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$80.5 million in the three months ended September 30, 2016. This increase is primarily due to growth in earnings at same-center and redevelopment properties, 2017 acquisitions, and earnings growth at Assembly Row and Pike & Rose.

# Other

#### Interest Expense

Interest expense increased \$2.0 million, or 8.1%, to \$26.3 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$24.3 million in the three months ended September 30, 2016. This increase is due primarily to the following:

an increase of \$6.0 million due to higher borrowings primarily attributable to the \$300 million 3.25% senior notes and the reopening of \$100 million on the 4.50% senior notes, both issued in June 2017 and higher weighted average borrowings on our revolving credit facility,

#### partially offset by

- an increase of \$2.2 million in capitalized interest, and
- a decrease of \$1.8 million due to a lower overall weighted average borrowing rate.

Gross interest costs were \$33.2 million and \$29.0 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Capitalized interest was \$6.9 million and \$4.7 million in the three months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

# Gain on Sale of Real Estate, Net

The \$50.8 million gain on sale of real estate, net for the three months ended September 30, 2017 is primarily due to the following:

- \$45.2 million gain related to the sale of our 150 Post Street property in August 2017,
- \$4.9 million gain related to the sale of our North Lake Commons property in September 2017, and
- \$0.6 million net percentage-of-completion gain, related to condominiums under binding contract at our Assembly Row property.

The \$4.9 million gain for the three months ended September 30, 2016 is due to the reversal of the unused portion of the warranty reserve for condominium units at Santana Row, as the statutorily mandated latent construction defect period ended in third quarter 2016.

# **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS - NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 AND 2016**

					Change	e	
	_	2017	2016		Dollars	%	
			(Dollar amounts	s in tho	ousands)		
Rental income	\$	620,741	\$ 585,712	\$	35,029	6.0 %	
Other property income		10,429	8,559		1,870	21.8 %	
Mortgage interest income		2,221	3,211		(990)	(30.8)%	
Total property revenue		633,391	 597,482		35,909	6.0 %	
Rental expenses		119,487	 118,385		1,102	0.9 %	
Real estate taxes		79,104	71,164		7,940	11.2 %	
Total property expenses		198,591	 189,549		9,042	4.8 %	
Property operating income (1)		434,800	 407,933		26,867	6.6 %	
General and administrative expense		(26,013)	(25,278)		(735)	2.9 %	
Depreciation and amortization		(159,656)	(145,137)		(14,519)	10.0 %	
Operating Income		249,131	 237,518		11,613	4.9 %	
Other interest income		253	285		(32)	(11.2)%	
Interest expense		(73,952)	(71,143)		(2,809)	3.9 %	
(Loss) income from real estate partnerships		(296)	41		(337)	(822.0)%	
Total other, net		(73,995)	 (70,817)		(3,178)	4.5 %	
Income from continuing operations		175,136	166,701		8,435	5.1 %	
Gain on sale of real estate and change in control of interests, net		69,949	32,458		37,491	115.5 %	
Net income		245,085	 199,159		45,926	23.1 %	
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		(5,827)	(7,286)		1,459	(20.0)%	
Net income attributable to the Trust	\$	239,258	\$ 191,873	\$	47,385	24.7 %	

(1) Property operating income is a non-GAAP measure that consists of rental income, other property income and mortgage interest income, less rental expenses and real estate taxes. This measure is used internally to evaluate the performance of property operations and we consider it to be a significant measure. Property operating income should not be considered an alternative measure of operating results or cash flow from operations as determined in accordance with GAAP.

#### **Property Revenues**

Total property revenue increased \$35.9 million, or 6.0%, to \$633.4 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$597.5 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The percentage occupied at our shopping centers was 93.8% at September 30, 2017 compared to 93.1% at September 30, 2016. Changes in the components of property revenue are discussed below.

#### Rental Income

Rental income consists primarily of minimum rent, cost reimbursements from tenants and percentage rent. Rental income increased \$35.0 million, or 6.0%, to \$620.7 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$585.7 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2016 due primarily to the following:

- an increase of \$13.1 million at redevelopment properties due to the opening of our new office building at Santana Row in late 2016, the leaseup of three of our retail redevelopments, and the lease-up of the new residential building at Congressional Plaza throughout 2016, partially offset by lower occupancy at two of our retail properties in Florida in the beginning stages of redevelopment,
- an increase of \$11.2 million from acquisitions, primarily related to the six shopping centers acquired in Los Angeles County, California, Riverpoint Center, and Hastings Ranch Plaza.
- an increase of \$4.1 million at same-center properties due primarily to higher rental rates of approximately \$4.5 million and higher recoveries of \$0.7 million primarily the net result of higher real estate tax assessments partially offset by lower snow removal expense, partially offset by lower average occupancy of approximately \$0.9 million,

- an increase of \$4.0 million from Assembly Row and Pike & Rose due primarily to the lease-up of residential units and the opening of the second phase of retail at Pike & Rose during third quarter 2017, and
- an increase of \$2.4 million from the acquisition of six previously unconsolidated Clarion joint venture properties in January 2016.

### Other Property Income

Other property income increased \$1.9 million, or 21.8%, to \$10.4 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$8.6 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2016. Included in other property income are items which, although recurring, inherently tend to fluctuate more than rental income from period to period, such as lease termination fees. This increase is primarily related to higher lease termination fees.

#### Mortgage Interest Income

Mortgage interest income decreased \$1.0 million, or 30.8%, to \$2.2 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$3.2 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2016. This decrease is related to a mortgage note receivable that was repaid in 2016.

### **Property Expenses**

Total property expenses increased \$9.0 million, or 4.8%, to \$198.6 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$189.5 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2016. Changes in the components of property expenses are discussed below.

#### Rental Expenses

Rental expenses increased \$1.1 million, or 0.9%, to \$119.5 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$118.4 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2016. This increase is primarily due to the following:

- an increase of \$2.4 million from acquisitions, primarily related to our acquisition of six shopping centers in Los Angeles County, California, Hastings Ranch Plaza, and Riverpoint Center, and
- an increase of \$0.4 million from Assembly Row and Pike & Rose,

partially offset by

• a decrease of \$1.6 million at same-center and redevelopment properties primarily due to lower snow removal costs.

As a result of the changes in rental income and rental expenses as discussed above, rental expenses as a percentage of rental income plus other property income decreased to 18.9% in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 from 19.9% in the nine months ended September 30, 2016.

#### Real Estate Taxes

Real estate tax expense increased \$7.9 million, or 11.2%, to \$79.1 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$71.2 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2016 due primarily to:

- an increase of \$3.4 million at same-center properties due primarily to higher assessments,
- an increase of \$2.3 million from acquisitions, primarily related to Riverpoint Center, six shopping centers in Los Angeles County, California, and Hastings Ranch Plaza,
- an increase of \$1.5 million from redevelopment properties, primarily related to our new office building at Santana Row, and
- an increase of \$0.5 million from Assembly Row and Pike & Rose.

# **Property Operating Income**

Property operating income increased \$26.9 million, or 6.6%, to \$434.8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$407.9 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2016. This increase is primarily due to growth in earnings at redevelopment and same-center properties, 2017 acquisitions, Assembly Row and Pike & Rose (primarily the lease-up of residential units at Pike & Rose, higher lease termination fees, and the opening of the second phase of retail at Pike & Rose), and the acquisition of the six previously unconsolidated Clarion joint venture properties in January 2016. The increases are partially offset by lower mortgage interest income related to a note receivable that was repaid in 2016.

# **Other Operating Expenses**

# General and Administrative

General and administrative expense increased \$0.7 million, or 2.9%, to \$26.0 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 from \$25.3 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The increase is primarily due to higher personnel costs.

# Depreciation and Amortization

Depreciation and amortization expense increased \$14.5 million, or 10.0%, to \$159.7 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 from \$145.1 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2016. This increase is primarily due to redevelopment properties (largely the new office building at Santana Row), 2017 acquisitions, Assembly Row and Pike & Rose, and same-center properties.

# **Operating Income**

Operating income increased \$11.6 million, or 4.9%, to \$249.1 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$237.5 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2016. This increase is primarily due to growth in earnings at redevelopment and same-center properties, Assembly Row and Pike & Rose, our 2017 acquisitions, and the acquisition of the six previously unconsolidated Clarion joint venture properties in January 2016, partially offset by lower mortgage interest income related to a note receivable that was repaid in 2016.

# Other

# Interest Expense

Interest expense increased \$2.8 million, or 3.9%, to \$74.0 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 compared to \$71.1 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2016. This increase is due primarily to the following:

an increase of \$10.8 million due to higher borrowings primarily attributable to the \$300 million 3.25% senior notes and the reopening of \$100 million on the 4.5% senior notes, both issued in June 2017, the 3.625% senior notes issued in July 2016, and higher weighted average borrowings on our revolving credit facility,

partially offset by

- an increase of \$5.9 million in capitalized interest, and
- a decrease of \$2.1 million due to a lower overall weighted average borrowing rate.

Gross interest costs were \$92.5 million and \$83.8 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Capitalized interest was \$18.6 million and \$12.7 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

# Gain on Sale of Real Estate and Change in Control of Interests, Net

The \$69.9 million gain on sale of real estate and change in control of interests, net for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 is primarily due to the following:

- \$45.2 million gain related to the sale of our 150 Post Street property in August 2017,
- \$15.4 million gain related to the sale of three ground lease parcels at our Assembly Row property in Somerville, Massachusetts,
- \$4.9 million gain related to the sale of our North Lake Commons property in September 2017, and
- \$3.9 million net percentage-of-completion gain, related to condominiums under binding contract at our Assembly Row property.

The \$32.5 million gain on sale of real estate and change in control of interests, net for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 is primarily due to the following:

- \$25.7 million gain related to our obtaining control of six properties when we acquired Clarion's 70% interest in the partnership that owned those properties. The properties were previously accounted for under the equity method of accounting. We consolidated these assets effective January 13, 2016, and consequently recognized a gain on obtaining the controlling interest,
- \$4.9 million gain related to the reversal of the unused portion of the warranty reserve for condominium units at Santana Row, as the statutorily mandated latent construction defect period ended in third quarter 2016, and
- \$1.8 million gain related to the sale of a building in Coconut Grove, Florida. Our share of the gain, net of noncontrolling interests, was \$0.7 million.



# Liquidity and Capital Resources

Due to the nature of our business and strategy, we typically generate significant amounts of cash from operations. The cash generated from operations is largely paid to our common and preferred shareholders in the form of dividends. As a REIT, we must generally make annual distributions to shareholders of at least 90% of our taxable income.

Our short-term liquidity requirements consist primarily of normal recurring operating expenses, obligations under our capital and operating leases, regular debt service requirements (including debt service relating to additional or replacement debt, as well as scheduled debt maturities), recurring expenditures, non-recurring expenditures (such as tenant improvements and redevelopments) and dividends to common and preferred shareholders. Our long-term capital requirements consist primarily of maturities under our long-term debt agreements, development and redevelopment costs and potential acquisitions.

We intend to operate with and maintain a conservative capital structure that will allow us to maintain strong debt service coverage and fixed-charge coverage ratios as part of our commitment to investment-grade debt ratings. In the short and long term, we may seek to obtain funds through the issuance of additional equity, unsecured and/or secured debt financings, joint venture relationships relating to existing properties or new acquisitions, and property dispositions that are consistent with this conservative structure.

At September 30, 2017, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$22.9 million and \$41.5 million outstanding on our \$800.0 million unsecured revolving credit facility which matures on April 20, 2020, subject to two six-month extensions at our option. In addition, we have an option (subject to bank approval) to increase the credit facility through an accordion feature to \$1.5 billion. Our \$275.0 million unsecured term loan, which matures on November 21, 2018, subject to a one-year extension at our option, also has an option (subject to bank approval) to increase the term loan through an accordion feature to \$350.0 million. As of September 30, 2017, we had the capacity to issue up to \$327.6 million in common shares under our ATM equity program.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2017, the maximum amount of borrowings outstanding under our revolving credit facility was \$344.0 million, the weighted average amount of borrowings outstanding was \$173.0 million and the weighted average interest rate, before amortization of debt fees, was 1.9%. On June 23, 2017, we issued \$300.0 million of 3.25% senior unsecured notes that mature on July 15, 2027, and \$100.0 million of 4.50% notes that mature on December 1, 2044 for net proceeds (after net issuance premium, underwriting fees and other costs) of approximately \$399.5 million. On September 29, 2017, we issued 6,000,000 Depository Shares, each representing a 1/1000th interest in a 5.0% Series C Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Share ("Series C Preferred Shares") for net proceeds (after underwriting fees and other costs) of approximately \$145.0 million. For the remainder of 2017, we have no further debt maturing. We currently believe that cash flows from operations, cash on hand, our ATM program, our revolving credit facility and our general ability to access the capital markets will be sufficient to finance our operations and fund our debt service requirements (including maturities) and capital expenditures.

Our overall capital requirements for the remainder of 2017 will depend upon acquisition opportunities, the level of improvements and redevelopments on existing properties and the timing and cost of development of Assembly Row, Pike & Rose and future phases of Santana Row. While the amount of future expenditures will depend on numerous factors, we expect to continue to see higher levels of capital investments in our properties under development and redevelopment which is the result of construction on Phase II at both Assembly Row and Pike & Rose, the construction of our next phase of Santana Row, and our redevelopment pipeline. With respect to other capital investments related to our existing properties, we expect to incur levels consistent with prior years. Our capital investments will be funded on a short-term basis with cash flow from operations, cash on hand and/or our revolving credit facility, and on a long-term basis, with long-term debt or equity including shares issued under our ATM equity program. If necessary, we may access the debt or equity capital markets to finance significant acquisitions. Given our past ability to access the capital markets, we expect debt or equity to be available to us. Although there is no intent at this time, if market conditions deteriorate, we may delay the timing of certain development and redevelopment projects as well as limit future acquisitions, reduce our operating expenditures, or re-evaluate our dividend policy.

In addition to conditions in the capital markets which could affect our ability to access those markets, the following factors could affect our ability to meet our liquidity requirements:

- restrictions in our debt instruments or preferred shares may limit us from incurring debt or issuing equity at all, or on acceptable terms under then-prevailing market conditions; and
  - we may be unable to service additional or replacement debt due to increases in interest rates or a decline in our operating performance.

# Summary of Cash Flows

	1	Nine Months En	ded Sep	tember 30,
		Nine Months End 2017 (In tho 339,638 (708,280) 368,124 (518) 23,368 22,850		2016
		(In tho	usands)	)
Cash provided by operating activities	\$	339,638	\$	293,408
Cash used in investing activities		(708,280)		(438,417)
Cash provided by financing activities		368,124		225,244
(Decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		(518)		80,235
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		23,368		21,046
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	22,850	\$	101,281

Net cash provided by operating activities increased \$46.2 million to \$339.6 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2017 from \$293.4 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The increase was primarily attributable to higher net income before certain non-cash items, lower escrow balances, and higher prepaid rent.

Net cash used in investing activities increased \$269.9 million to \$708.3 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2017 from \$438.4 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The increase was primarily attributable to:

- a \$301.5 million increase in acquisitions of real estate, primarily due to the August 2017 acquisition of six shopping centers in Los Angeles County, California,
- an \$84.4 million increase in capital expenditures as we continue to invest in Pike & Rose, Assembly Row, Santana Row, and other current redevelopments, and
- a \$12.2 million decrease in repayments of mortgage notes receivable due to the payoff of an \$11.7 million note receivable in September 2016, partially offset by
  - \$127.5 million in proceeds primarily from the sale of our property at 150 Post Street, three land parcels at Assembly Row, and North Lake Commons in 2017.

Net cash provided by financing activities increased \$142.9 million to \$368.1 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2017 from \$225.2 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2016. The increase was primarily attributable to:

- \$399.5 million net proceeds from the June 2017 issuance of \$300.0 million of 3.25% senior unsecured notes that mature on July 15, 2027 and \$100.0 million of 4.50% notes that mature on December 1, 2044, compared to \$241.8 million in net proceeds from the issuance of 3.625% senior notes in July 2016,
- \$145.5 million in net proceeds from the September 29, 2017 issuance of 6,000 Series C Preferred Shares,
- \$41.5 million of borrowings on our revolving credit facility in 2017 as compared to \$53.5 million of repayments in 2016,
- a \$13.0 million increase in contributions from noncontrolling interests primarily due to contributions to fund the \$50.0 million partial repayment of the Plaza El Segundo mortgage loan, and
- a \$9.5 million decrease in distributions to and redemptions of noncontrolling interests primarily due to the 2016 acquisition of the 10% noncontrolling interest of a partnership which owns a project in Southern California,

partially offset by

- a \$248.9 million decrease in net proceeds from the issuance of common shares primarily due to our March 2016 issuance of 1.0 million common shares at \$149.43 per share in an underwritten public offering, and 1.0 million common shares under our ATM equity program at a weighted average price of \$155.48 during the nine months ended September 30, 2016, compared to 0.3 million common shares at a weighted average share price of \$133.09 in 2017,
- a \$16.0 million increase in repayment of mortgages and capital leases primarily due to the \$50.0 million pay down of the Plaza El Segundo mortgage loan on June 5, 2017, as compared to the payoff of \$34.4 million of mortgage loans on April 1, 2016, and
- a \$13.1 million increase in dividends paid to shareholders due to an increase in the dividend rate and an increased number of shares outstanding.

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# Debt Financing Arrangements

The following is a summary of our total debt outstanding as of September 30, 2017:

Description of Debt	Original Debt Issued	Principal Balance as of September 30, 2017	Stated Interest Rate as of September 30, 2017	Maturity Date
	(Dollar amo	ounts in thousands)		
Mortgages payable				
Secured fixed rate				
The Grove at Shrewsbury (West)	Acquired	\$ 10,608	6.38%	March 1, 2018
Rollingwood Apartments	24,050	20,939	5.54%	May 1, 2019
The Shops at Sunset Place	Acquired	67,124	5.62%	September 1, 2020
29th Place	Acquired	4,395	5.91%	January 31, 2021
Sylmar Towne Center	Acquired	17,448	5.39%	June 6, 2021
Plaza Del Sol	Acquired	8,621	5.23%	December 1, 2021
The AVENUE at White Marsh	52,705	52,705	3.35%	January 1, 2022
Montrose Crossing	80,000	71,478	4.20%	January 10, 2022
Azalea	Acquired	40,000	3.73%	November 1, 2025
Bell Gardens	Acquired	13,245	4.06%	August 1, 2026
Plaza El Segundo	125,000	125,000	3.83%	June 5, 2027
The Grove at Shrewsbury (East)	43,600	43,600	3.77%	September 1, 2027
Brook 35	11,500	11,500	4.65%	July 1, 2029
Chelsea	Acquired	6,346	5.36%	January 15, 203
Subtotal		493,009	-	
Net unamortized premium and debt issuance costs		231		
Total mortgages payable		493,240	-	
Notes payable			-	
Unsecured fixed rate				
Term loan (1)	275,000	275,000	LIBOR + 0.90%	November 21, 2018
Various	7,239	4,908	11.31%	Various through 2028
Unsecured variable rate				
Revolving credit facility (2)	800,000	41,500	LIBOR + 0.825%	April 20, 2020
Subtotal		321,408	-	-
Net unamortized debt issuance costs		(690)		
Total notes payable		320,718	_	
			-	
Senior notes and debentures				
Unsecured fixed rate				
5.90% notes	150,000	150,000	5.90%	April 1, 2020
2.55% notes	250,000	250,000	2.55%	January 15, 2021
3.00% notes	250,000	250,000	3.00%	August 1, 2022
2.75% notes	275,000	275,000	2.75%	June 1, 2023
3.95% notes	300,000	300,000	3.95%	January 15, 2024
7.48% debentures	50,000	29,200	7.48%	August 15, 2026
3.25% notes	300,000	300,000	3.25%	July 15, 2027
6.82% medium term notes	40,000	40,000	6.82%	August 1, 2027
4.50% notes	550,000	550,000	4.50%	December 1, 204
3.625% notes	250,000	250,000	3.625%	August 1, 2046
5.025% HOLES				
Subtotal		2.394.200		
Subtotal		2,394,200		
		(16,261)	<u>.</u>	
Subtotal Net unamortized discount and debt issuance costs Total senior notes and debentures			_	
Subtotal Net unamortized discount and debt issuance costs		(16,261)	Various	Various through 2106

1) We entered into two interest rate swap agreements that fix the LIBOR portion of the interest rate on the term loan at 1.72%. The spread on the term loan is 90 basis points resulting in a fixed rate of 2.62%.

2) The maximum amount drawn under our revolving credit facility during the nine months ended September 30, 2017 was \$344.0 million, and the weighted average interest rate on borrowings under our revolving credit facility, before amortization of debt fees, was 1.9%.

Our revolving credit facility, term loan and other debt agreements include financial and other covenants that may limit our operating activities in the future. As of September 30, 2017, we were in compliance with all financial and other covenants related to our revolving credit facility, term loan and senior notes. Additionally, as of September 30, 2017, we were in compliance with all of the financial and other covenants that could trigger loan default on our mortgage loans. If we were to breach any of these financial and other covenants and did not cure the breach within an applicable cure period, our lenders could require us to repay the debt immediately and, if the debt is secured, could immediately begin proceedings to take possession of the property securing the loan. Many of our debt arrangements, including our public notes, term loan and our revolving credit facility, are cross-defaulted, which means that the lenders under those debt arrangements can put us in default and require immediate repayment of their debt if we breach and fail to cure a default under certain of our other debt obligations. As a result, any default under our debt covenants could have an adverse effect on our financial condition, our results of operations, our ability to meet our obligations and the market value of our shares. Our organizational documents do not limit the level or amount of debt that we may incur.

The following is a summary of our scheduled principal repayments as of September 30, 2017:

	 Unsecured Secured			Caj	oital Lease	Total		
				(In thous	ands)			
2017	\$ 123		\$	1,425	\$	13	\$	1,561
2018	275,513	(1)		16,251		37		291,801
2019	567			25,820		42		26,429
2020	192,129	(2)		65,539		46		257,714
2021	250,700			30,541		51		281,292
Thereafter	1,996,576			353,433		71,376		2,421,385
	\$ 2,715,608		\$	493,009	\$	71,565	\$	3,280,182

1) Our \$275.0 million unsecured term loan matures on November 21, 2018, subject to a one-year extension at our option.

2) Our \$800.0 million revolving credit facility matures on April 20, 2020, subject to two six-month extensions at our option. As of September 30, 2017, there was \$41.5 million outstanding under this credit facility.

3) The total debt maturities differs from the total reported on the consolidated balance sheet due to the unamortized net premium/(discount) and debt issuance costs on mortgage loans, notes payable, and senior notes as of September 30, 2017.

# Interest Rate Hedging

We may use derivative instruments to manage exposure to variable interest rate risk. We generally enter into interest rate swaps to manage our exposure to variable interest rate risk and treasury locks to manage the risk of interest rates rising prior to the issuance of debt. We enter into derivative instruments that qualify as cash flow hedges and do not enter into derivative instruments for speculative purposes.

The interest rate swaps associated with our cash flow hedges are recorded at fair value on a recurring basis. We assess effectiveness of our cash flow hedges both at inception and on an ongoing basis. The effective portion of changes in fair value of the interest rate swaps associated with our cash flow hedges is recorded in other comprehensive income/loss which is included in accumulated other comprehensive loss on our consolidated balance sheet and our consolidated statement of shareholders' equity. Our cash flow hedges become ineffective if critical terms of the hedging instrument and the debt instrument do not perfectly match such as notional amounts, settlement dates, reset dates, calculation period and LIBOR rate. In addition, we evaluate the default risk of the counterparty by monitoring the credit-worthiness of the counterparty which includes reviewing debt ratings and financial performance. However, management does not anticipate non-performance by the counterparty. If a cash flow hedge is deemed ineffective, the ineffective portion of changes in fair value of the interest rate swaps associated with our cash flow hedges is recognized in earnings in the period affected.

As of September 30, 2017, we are party to two interest rate swap agreements that effectively fixed the rate on the term loan at 2.62%. Both swaps were designated and qualified as cash flow hedges and were recorded at fair value. Hedge ineffectiveness has not impacted earnings as of September 30, 2017, and we do not anticipate it will have a significant effect in the future.

# **REIT Qualification**

We intend to maintain our qualification as a REIT under Section 856(c) of the Code. As a REIT, we generally will not be subject to corporate federal income taxes on income we distribute to our shareholders as long as we satisfy certain technical requirements of the Code, including the requirement to distribute at least 90% of our taxable income to our shareholders.

# **Funds From Operations**

Funds from operations ("FFO") is a supplemental non-GAAP financial measure of real estate companies' operating performance. The National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts ("NAREIT") defines FFO as follows: net income, computed in accordance with U.S. GAAP, plus real estate related depreciation and amortization and excluding extraordinary items, gains and losses on the sale of real estate, and impairment write-downs of depreciable real estate. We compute FFO in accordance with the NAREIT definition, and we have historically reported our FFO available for common shareholders in addition to our net income and net cash provided by operating activities. It should be noted that FFO:

- does not represent cash flows from operating activities in accordance with GAAP (which, unlike FFO, generally reflects all cash effects of transactions and other events in the determination of net income);
- should not be considered an alternative to net income as an indication of our performance; and
- is not necessarily indicative of cash flow as a measure of liquidity or ability to fund cash needs, including the payment of dividends.

We consider FFO available for common shareholders a meaningful, additional measure of operating performance primarily because it excludes the assumption that the value of the real estate assets diminishes predictably over time, as implied by the historical cost convention of GAAP and the recording of depreciation. We use FFO primarily as one of several means of assessing our operating performance in comparison with other REITs. Comparison of our presentation of FFO to similarly titled measures for other REITs may not necessarily be meaningful due to possible differences in the application of the NAREIT definition used by such REITs.

An increase or decrease in FFO available for common shareholders does not necessarily result in an increase or decrease in aggregate distributions because our Board of Trustees is not required to increase distributions on a quarterly basis unless necessary for us to maintain REIT status. However, we must distribute at least 90% of our taxable income to remain qualified as a REIT. Therefore, a significant increase in FFO will generally require an increase in distributions to shareholders although not necessarily on a proportionate basis.

The reconciliation of net income to FFO available for common shareholders is as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,				
	_	2017		2016		2017		2016	
		(In thousands, except per share data)							
Net income	\$	108,882	\$	61,198	\$	245,085	\$	199,159	
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interests		(2,105)		(2,221)		(5,827)		(7,286)	
Gain on sale of real estate and change in control of interests, net		(50,775)		(4,706)		(69,659)		(31,133)	
Depreciation and amortization of real estate assets		48,796		42,779		139,112		126,806	
Amortization of initial direct costs of leases		4,780		4,260		14,530		12,729	
Funds from operations		109,578		101,310		323,241		300,275	
Dividends on preferred shares (1)		(41)		(136)		(41)		(406)	
Income attributable to operating partnership units		788		750		2,355		2,397	
Income attributable to unvested shares		(357)		(263)		(1,064)		(826)	
Funds from operations available for common shareholders	\$	109,968	\$	101,661	\$	324,491		301,440	
Weighted average number of common shares, diluted (1)(2)		73,089		72,254		73,001		71,642	
Funds from operations available for common shareholders, per diluted share	\$	1.50	\$	1.41	\$	4.45	\$	4.21	

(1) For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, dividends on our Series 1 preferred stock are not deducted in the calculation of FFO available to common shareholders, as the related shares are dilutive and included in "weighted average common shares, diluted."

(2) The weighted average common shares used to compute FFO per diluted common share includes operating partnership units that were excluded from the computation of diluted EPS. Conversion of these operating partnership units is dilutive in the computation of FFO per diluted common share but is anti-dilutive for the computation of diluted EPS for the periods presented.

# ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Our use of financial instruments, such as debt instruments, subjects us to market risk which may affect our future earnings and cash flows, as well as the fair value of our assets. Market risk generally refers to the risk of loss from changes in interest rates and market prices. We manage our market risk by attempting to match anticipated inflow of cash from our operating, investing and financing activities with anticipated outflow of cash to fund debt payments, dividends to common and preferred shareholders, investments, capital expenditures and other cash requirements.

We may enter into certain types of derivative financial instruments to further reduce interest rate risk. We use interest rate protection and swap agreements, for example, to convert some of our variable rate debt to a fixed-rate basis or to hedge anticipated financing transactions. We use derivatives for hedging purposes rather than speculation and do not enter into financial instruments for trading purposes. As of September 30, 2017, we were party to two interest rate swap agreements that effectively fixed the rate on the term loan at 2.62%.

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

The following discusses the effect of hypothetical changes in market rates of interest on interest expense for our variable rate debt and on the fair value of our total outstanding debt, including our fixed-rate debt. Interest rate risk amounts were determined by considering the impact of hypothetical interest rates on our debt. Quoted market prices were used to estimate the fair value of our marketable senior notes and debentures and discounted cash flow analysis is generally used to estimate the fair value of our mortgages and notes payable. Considerable judgment is necessary to estimate the fair value of financial instruments. This analysis does not purport to take into account all of the factors that may affect our debt, such as the effect that a changing interest rate environment could have on the overall level of economic activity or the action that our management might take to reduce our exposure to the change. This analysis assumes no change in our financial structure.

# Fixed Interest Rate Debt

The majority of our outstanding debt obligations (maturing at various times through 2046 or, with respect to capital lease obligations, through 2106) have fixed interest rates which limit the risk of fluctuating interest rates. However, interest rate fluctuations may affect the fair value of our fixed rate debt instruments. At September 30, 2017, we had \$3.2 billion of fixed-rate debt outstanding, including our \$275.0 million term loan as the rate is effectively fixed by two interest rate swap agreements; we also had \$71.6 million of capital lease obligations. If market interest rates used to calculate the fair value on our fixed-rate debt instruments at September 30, 2017 had been 1.0% higher, the fair value of those debt instruments at September 30, 2017 had been 1.0% lower, the fair value on our fixed-rate debt instruments at September 30, 2017 had been 1.0% lower, the fair value of those debt instruments at September 30, 2017 had been 1.0% lower, the fair value on our fixed-rate debt instruments on that date would have increased by approximately \$260.8 million.

### Variable Interest Rate Debt

Generally, we believe that our primary interest rate risk is due to fluctuations in interest rates on our outstanding variable rate debt. At September 30, 2017, we had \$41.5 million of variable rate debt outstanding on our revolving credit facility. Based upon this amount of variable rate debt and the specific terms, if market interest rates increased 1.0%, our annual interest expense would increase by approximately \$0.4 million with a corresponding decrease in our net income and cash flows for the year. Conversely, if market interest rates decreased 1.0%, our annual interest expense would decrease by approximately \$0.4 million with a corresponding increase in our net income and cash flows for the year.

# ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

#### Periodic Evaluation and Conclusion of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

An evaluation has been performed, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of September 30, 2017. Based on this evaluation, our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of September 30, 2017 to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in our reports filed or submitted under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is (i) recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the SEC and (ii) accumulated and communicated to the Trust's management including its principal executive and principal financial officer as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

# **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There has been no change in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarterly period covered by this report that materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

# PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

#### ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

There have been no material developments in any of our legal proceedings since the disclosure contained in our Annual Report to Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016.

# ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

There have been no material changes to the risk factors previously disclosed in our Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2016 filed with the SEC on February 13, 2017. These factors include, but are not limited to, the following:

- risks that our tenants will not pay rent, may vacate early or may file for bankruptcy or that we may be unable to renew leases or re-let space at favorable rents as leases expire;
- risks that we may not be able to proceed with or obtain necessary approvals for any redevelopment or renovation project, and that completion of anticipated or ongoing property redevelopment or renovation projects that we do pursue may cost more, take more time to complete or fail to perform as expected;
- risk that we are investing a significant amount in ground-up development projects that may be dependent on third parties to deliver critical aspects of certain projects, requires spending a substantial

amount upfront in infrastructure, and assumes receipt of public funding which has been committed but not entirely funded;

- risks normally associated with the real estate industry, including risks that:
  - occupancy levels at our properties and the amount of rent that we receive from our properties may be lower than expected,
  - new acquisitions may fail to perform as expected,
  - competition for acquisitions could result in increased prices for acquisitions,
  - that costs associated with the periodic maintenance and repair or renovation of space, insurance and other operations may increase,
  - environmental issues may develop at our properties and result in unanticipated costs, and
  - because real estate is illiquid, we may not be able to sell properties when appropriate;
- risks that our growth will be limited if we cannot obtain additional capital;
- risks associated with general economic conditions, including local economic conditions in our geographic markets;
- risks of financing, such as our ability to consummate additional financings or obtain replacement financing on terms which are acceptable to us, our ability to meet existing financial covenants and the limitations imposed on our operations by those covenants, and the possibility of increases in interest rates that would result in increased interest expense; and
  - risks related to our status as a real estate investment trust, commonly referred to as a REIT, for federal income tax purposes, such as the existence of complex tax regulations relating to our status as a REIT, the effect of future changes in REIT requirements as a result of new legislation, and the adverse consequences of the failure to qualify as a REIT.

# ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

None.

# ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

# ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

# ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

# ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

A list of exhibits to this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q is set forth on the Exhibit Index immediately preceding such exhibits and is incorporated herein by reference.

# SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto authorized.

FEDERAL REALTY INVESTMENT TRUST

/s/ Donald C. Wood

Donald C. Wood, President, Chief Executive Officer and Trustee (Principal Financial and Executive Officer)

# FEDERAL REALTY INVESTMENT TRUST

/s/ Daniel Guglielmone

Daniel Guglielmone, Executive Vice President Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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# EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
<u>31.1</u>	Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of Chief Executive Officer (filed herewith)
<u>31.2</u>	Rule 13a-14(a) Certification of Principal Financial Officer (filed herewith)
<u>32.1</u>	Section 1350 Certification of Chief Executive Officer (filed herewith)
<u>32.2</u>	Section 1350 Certification of Principal Financial Officer (filed herewith)

101The following materials from Federal Realty Investment Trust's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2017,<br/>formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language): (1) the Consolidated Balance Sheets, (2) the Consolidated Statements of<br/>Comprehensive Income, (3) the Consolidated Statement of Shareholders' Equity, (4) the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, and (5)<br/>Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements that have been detail tagged.

I, *Donald C. Wood*, certify that:

- 1) I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Federal Realty Investment Trust;
- 2) Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3) Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4) The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5) The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of trustees (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

November 1, 2017

/s/ Donald C. Wood

Donald C. Wood, President, Chief Executive Officer and Trustee (Principal Financial and Executive Officer)

I, Daniel Guglielmone, certify that:

- 1) I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Federal Realty Investment Trust;
- 2) Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3) Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4) The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5) The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of trustees (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

November 1, 2017

/s/ Daniel Guglielmone

Daniel Guglielmone Executive Vice President -Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

### PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

The undersigned, Donald C. Wood, the President and Chief Executive Officer of Federal Realty Investment Trust (the "Company"), has executed this certification in connection with the filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2017 (the "Report"). The undersigned hereby certifies, to the best of his knowledge, that:

- (1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

November 1, 2017

/s/ Donald C. Wood

Donald C. Wood, President, Chief Executive Officer and Trustee (Principal Financial and Executive Officer)

### PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

The undersigned, Daniel Guglielmone, the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Federal Realty Investment Trust (the "Company"), has executed this certification in connection with the filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2017 (the "Report"). The undersigned hereby certifies, to the best of his knowledge, that:

- (1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

November 1, 2017

/s/ Daniel Guglielmone

Daniel Guglielmone Executive Vice President -Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)