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FORM 10-K

x ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012

or

.. TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from to

Commission file number: 001-35030

AMERICAN ASSETS TRUST, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland
(State of Organization)

11455 El Camino Real, Suite 200, San Diego, California
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(858) 350-2600

27-3338708
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

92130
(Zip Code)

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(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class	Name Of Each Exchange On Which Registered
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	New York Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the Registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes No

Indicate by check mark if the Registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes No

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 Website, 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 No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of Registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

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 Accelerated Filer

Non-Accelerated Filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company

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

The aggregate market value of the Registrant's common shares held by non-affiliates of the Registrant, based upon the closing sales price of the Registrant's common shares on June 29, 2012 was \$804.0 million.

The number of Registrant's common shares outstanding on February 22, 2013 was 39,664,212.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of American Assets Trust, Inc.'s Proxy Statement with respect to its 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed not later than 120 days after the end of the registrant's fiscal year are incorporated by reference into Part III hereof.

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Forward Looking Statements.

We make statements in this report that are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (set forth in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act). In particular, statements pertaining to our capital resources, portfolio performance and results of operations contain forward-looking statements. Likewise, our statements regarding anticipated growth in our funds from operations and anticipated market conditions, demographics and results of operations are forward-looking statements. You can identify forward-looking statements by the use of forward-looking terminology such as believes, expects, may, will, should, seeks, approximately, intends, plans, estimates or anticipates or the negative of these words and phrases or similar words or phrases which are predictions of or indicate future events or trends and which do not relate solely to historical matters. You can also identify forward-looking statements by discussions of strategy, plans or intentions.

Forward-looking statements involve numerous risks and uncertainties and you should not rely on them as predictions of future events. Forward-looking statements depend on assumptions, data or methods which may be incorrect or imprecise and we may not be able to realize them. We do not guarantee that the transactions and events described will happen as described (or that they will happen at all). The following factors, among others, could cause actual results and future events to differ materially from those set forth or contemplated in the forward-looking statements:

adverse economic or real estate developments in our markets;

our failure to generate sufficient cash flows to service our outstanding indebtedness;

defaults on, early terminations of or non-renewal of leases by tenants, including significant tenants;

difficulties in identifying properties to acquire and completing acquisitions;

difficulties in completing dispositions;

our failure to successfully operate acquired properties and operations;

our inability to develop or redevelop our properties due to market conditions;

fluctuations in interest rates and increased operating costs;

risks related to joint venture arrangements;

our failure to obtain necessary outside financing;

on-going litigation;

general economic conditions;

financial market fluctuations;

risks that affect the general retail, office, multifamily and mixed-use environment;

the competitive environment in which we operate;

decreased rental rates or increased vacancy rates;

conflicts of interests with our officers or directors;

lack or insufficient amounts of insurance;

environmental uncertainties and risks related to adverse weather conditions and natural disasters;

other factors affecting the real estate industry generally;

limitations imposed on our business and our ability to satisfy complex rules in order for us to continue to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes; and

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changes in governmental regulations or interpretations thereof, such as real estate and zoning laws and increases in real property tax rates and taxation of REITs.

*While forward-looking statements reflect our good faith beliefs, they are not guarantees of future performance. We disclaim any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement to reflect changes in underlying assumptions or factors, or new information, data or methods, future events or other changes. For a further discussion of these and other factors that could impact our future results, performance or transactions, see the section entitled *Item 1A. Risk Factors*.*

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PART I

ITEM 1. BUSINESS

General

References to we, our, us and our company refer to American Assets Trust, Inc., a Maryland corporation, together with our consolidated subsidiaries, including American Assets Trust, L.P., a Maryland limited partnership, of which we are the sole general partner and which we refer to in this report as our Operating Partnership.

We are a full service, vertically integrated and self-administered real estate investment trust, or REIT, that owns, operates, acquires and develops high quality retail, office, multifamily and mixed-use properties in attractive, high-barrier-to-entry markets in Southern California, Northern California, Oregon, Washington, Hawaii, and Texas. As of December 31, 2012 our portfolio is comprised of eleven retail shopping centers; seven office properties; a mixed-use property consisting of a 369-room all-suite hotel and a retail shopping center; and four multifamily properties. Additionally, as of December 31, 2012, we owned land at five of our properties that we classified as held for development. Our core markets include San Diego, the San Francisco Bay Area, Portland, Oregon, Bellevue, Washington and Oahu, Hawaii.

We are a Maryland corporation that was formed on July 16, 2010 to acquire the entities owning various controlling and noncontrolling interests in real estate assets owned and/or managed by Ernest S. Rady or his affiliates, including the Ernest Rady Trust U/D/T March 13, 1983, or the Rady Trust, and did not have any operating activity until the consummation of our initial public offering and the related acquisition of our Predecessor (as defined below) on January 19, 2011. After the completion of our initial public offering and the Formation Transactions (as defined below) on January 19, 2011, our operations have been carried on through our Operating Partnership. Our company, as the sole general partner of our Operating Partnership, has control of our Operating Partnership and owned 68.4% of our Operating Partnership as of December 31, 2012. Accordingly, we consolidate the assets, liabilities and results of operations of our Operating Partnership.

Our Predecessor is not a legal entity but rather a combination of entities whose assets included entities owned and/or controlled by Ernest S. Rady and his affiliates, including the Rady Trust, which in turn owned (1) controlling interests in entities owning 17 properties and the property management business of American Assets, Inc. and (2) noncontrolling interests in entities owning four properties (the assets described at (1) and (2) are the Acquired Assets, and do not include our Predecessor's noncontrolling 25% ownership interest in Novato FF Venture, LLC, the entity that owns the Fireman's Fund Headquarters in Novato, California.). The Formation Transactions included the acquisition by our Operating Partnership of the (a) Acquired Assets, (b) the entities that own Waikiki Beach Walk (a mixed-used property consisting of a retail portion and a hotel portion), or the Waikiki Beach Walk entities, and (c) the entities that own Solana Beach Towne Centre and Solana Beach Corporate Centre, or the Solana Beach Centre entities (including our Predecessor's ownership interest in these entities).

As noted above, since our initial public offering and the Formation Transactions occurred on January 19, 2011, the results of operations and financial condition for the entities acquired by us in connection with our initial public offering and related Formation Transactions are not included in certain historical financial statements. More specifically, our results of operations and financial condition for the year ended December 31, 2010 reflect the results of operations and financial condition for our Predecessor. Our results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2012 reflect the results of operations and financial condition for our Predecessor together with the entities we acquired at the time of our initial public offering, namely, the Waikiki Beach Walk entities and the Solana Beach Centre entities, as well as First & Main, Lloyd District Portfolio, Solana Beach Highway 101, One Beach Street, City Center Bellevue and Geary Marketplace, each acquired subsequent to our initial public offering. The results of operations for each of these acquisitions are included in our consolidated statements of operations only from the date of acquisition. Additionally, in August 2011, we

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sold Valencia Corporate Center and in December 2012, we sold 160 King Street; and we have reclassified our financial statements for all periods prior to the sales to reflect Valencia Corporate Center and 160 King Street as discontinued operations.

Our Competitive Strengths

We believe the following competitive strengths distinguish us from other owners and operators of commercial real estate and will enable us to take advantage of new acquisition and development opportunities, as well as growth opportunities within our portfolio:

Irreplaceable Portfolio of High Quality Retail and Office Properties. We have acquired and developed a high quality portfolio of retail and office properties located in affluent neighborhoods and sought-after business centers in Southern California, Northern California, Oahu, Hawaii, Portland, Oregon, San Antonio, Texas and Bellevue, Washington. Many of our properties are located in in-fill locations where developable land is scarce or where we believe current zoning, environmental and entitlement regulations significantly restrict new development. We believe that the location of many of our properties will provide us an advantage in terms of generating higher internal revenue growth on a relative basis.

Experienced and Committed Senior Management Team with Strong Sponsorship. The members of our senior management team have significant experience in all aspects of the commercial real estate industry.

Properties Located in High-Barrier-to-Entry Markets with Strong Real Estate Fundamentals. Our core markets currently include Southern California, Northern California, Oregon, Washington and Hawaii, which we believe have attractive long-term real estate fundamentals driven by favorable supply and demand characteristics.

Extensive Market Knowledge and Long-Standing Relationships Facilitate Access to a Pipeline of Acquisition and Leasing Opportunities. We believe that our in-depth market knowledge and extensive network of long-standing relationships in the real estate industry provide us access to an ongoing pipeline of attractive acquisition and investment opportunities in and near our core markets, while also facilitating our leasing efforts and providing us with opportunities to increase occupancy rates at our properties.

Internal Growth Prospects through Development, Redevelopment and Repositioning. The development and redevelopment potential at several of our properties presents compelling growth prospects and our expertise enhances our ability to capitalize on these opportunities.

Broad Real Estate Expertise with Retail and Office Focus. Our senior management team has strong experience and capabilities across the real estate sector with significant expertise in the retail and office asset classes, which provides for flexibility in pursuing attractive acquisition, development and repositioning opportunities. Ernest Rady, our Executive Chairman, John Chamberlain, our Chief Executive Officer, and Robert Barton, our Chief Financial Officer, each have over 25 years of commercial real estate experience, and the other members of senior management each have over 15 years of commercial real estate experience.

Business and Growth Strategies

Our primary business objectives are to increase operating cash flows, generate long-term growth and maximize stockholder value. Specifically, we pursue the following strategies to achieve these objectives:

Capitalizing on Acquisition Opportunities in High-Barrier-to-Entry Markets. We intend to pursue growth through the strategic acquisition of attractively priced, high quality properties that are well located in their submarkets, focusing on markets that generally

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are characterized by strong supply and demand characteristics, including high barriers to entry and diverse industry bases, that appeal to institutional investors.

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Repositioning/Redevelopment and Development of Office and Retail Properties. Our strategy is to selectively reposition and redevelop several of our existing or newly-acquired properties, and we will also selectively pursue ground-up development of undeveloped land where we believe we can generate attractive risk-adjusted returns.

Disciplined Capital Recycling Strategy. Our strategy is to pursue an efficient asset allocation strategy that maximizes the value of our investments by selectively disposing of properties whose returns appear to have been maximized and redeploying capital into acquisition, repositioning, redevelopment and development opportunities with higher return prospects, in each case in a manner that is consistent with our qualification as a REIT.

Proactive Asset and Property Management. We actively manage our properties, employ targeted leasing strategies, leverage our existing tenant relationships and focus on reducing operating expenses to increase occupancy rates at our properties, attract high quality tenants and increase property cash flows, thereby enhancing the value of our properties.

Employees

At December 31, 2012, we had 114 employees. None of our employees are represented by a collective bargaining unit. We believe that our relationship with our employees is good.

Tax Status

We elected to be taxed as a REIT and operate in a manner that allows us to qualify as a REIT for federal income tax purposes commencing with our taxable year ending December 31, 2011. We believe that our organization and method of operation will enable us to continue to meet the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT. To maintain REIT status, we must meet a number of organizational and operational requirements, including a requirement that we annually distribute at least 90% of our REIT taxable income to our stockholders.

Insurance

We carry comprehensive liability, fire, extended coverage, business interruption and rental loss insurance covering all of the properties in our portfolio under a blanket insurance policy, in addition to other coverages, such as trademark and pollution coverage, that may be appropriate for certain of our properties. We believe the policy specifications and insured limits are appropriate and adequate for our properties given the relative risk of loss, the cost of the coverage and industry practice; however, our insurance coverage may not be sufficient to fully cover our losses. We do not carry insurance for certain losses, including, but not limited to, losses caused by riots or war. Some of our policies, like those covering losses due to terrorism and earthquakes, are insured subject to limitations involving large deductibles or co-payments and policy limits that may not be sufficient to cover losses, for such events. In addition, all but one of our properties are subject to an increased risk of earthquakes. While we will carry earthquake insurance on all of our properties the amount of our earthquake insurance coverage may not be sufficient to fully cover losses from earthquakes. We may reduce or discontinue earthquake, terrorism or other insurance on some or all of our properties in the future if the cost of premiums for any of these policies exceeds, in our judgment, the value of the coverage discounted for the risk of loss. Also, if destroyed, we may not be able to rebuild certain of our properties due to current zoning and land use regulations. As a result, we may be required to incur significant costs in the event of adverse weather conditions and natural disasters. In addition, our title insurance policies may not insure for the current aggregate market value of our portfolio, and we do not intend to increase our title insurance coverage if the market value of our portfolio increases. If we or one or more of our tenants experiences a loss that is uninsured or that exceeds policy limits, we could lose the capital invested in the damaged properties as well as the anticipated future cash flows from those properties. In addition, if the damaged properties are subject to recourse indebtedness, we would continue to be liable for the indebtedness, even if these properties were irreparably damaged. Furthermore, we may not be able to obtain adequate insurance coverage at reasonable costs in the future as the costs associated with property and casualty renewals may be higher than anticipated.

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Regulation

Our properties are subject to various covenants, laws, ordinances and regulations, including laws such as the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, or ADA, and the Fair Housing Amendment Act of 1988, or FHAA, that impose further restrictions on our properties and operations. Under the ADA and the FHAA, all public accommodations must meet federal requirements related to access and use by disabled persons. Some of our properties may currently be in non-compliance with the ADA or the FHAA. If one or more of the properties in our portfolio is not in compliance with the ADA, the FHAA or any other regulatory requirements, we may be required to incur additional costs to bring the property into compliance and we might incur governmental fines or the award of damages to private litigants. In addition, we do not know whether existing requirements will change or whether future requirements will require us to make significant unanticipated expenditures.

Under various federal, state and local laws and regulations relating to the environment, as a current or former owner or operator of real property, we may be liable for costs and damages resulting from the presence or discharge of hazardous or toxic substances, waste or petroleum products at, on, in, under or migrating from such property, including costs to investigate, clean up such contamination and liability for harm to natural resource. Such laws often impose liability without regard to whether the owner or operator knew of, or was responsible for, the presence of such contamination, and the liability may be joint and several. These liabilities could be substantial and the cost of any required remediation, removal, fines or other costs could exceed the value of the property and/or our aggregate assets. In addition, the presence of contamination or the failure to remediate contamination at our properties may expose us to third-party liability for costs of remediation and/or personal or property damage or materially adversely affect our ability to sell, lease or develop our properties or to borrow using the properties as collateral. In addition, environmental laws may create liens on contaminated sites in favor of the government for damages and costs it incurs to address such contamination. Moreover, if contamination is discovered on our properties, environmental laws may impose restrictions on the manner in which property may be used or businesses may be operated, and these restrictions may require substantial expenditures.

Some of our properties have been or may be impacted by contamination arising from current or prior uses of the property, or adjacent properties, for commercial or industrial purposes. Such contamination may arise from spills of petroleum or hazardous substances or releases from tanks used to store such materials. For example, Del Monte Center is currently undergoing remediation of dry cleaning solvent contamination from a former onsite dry cleaner. The prior owner of Del Monte Center entered into a fixed fee environmental services agreement in 1997 pursuant to which the remediation will be completed for approximately \$3.5 million, with the remediation costs paid for through an escrow funded by the prior owner. We expect that the funds in this escrow account will cover all remaining costs and expenses of the environmental remediation. However, if the Regional Water Quality Control Board Central Coast Region were to require further work costing more than the remaining escrowed funds, we could be required to pay such overage although we may have a claim for such costs against the prior owner or our environmental remediation consultant. In addition to the foregoing, we possess Phase I Environmental Site Assessments for certain of the properties in our portfolio. However, the assessments are limited in scope (e.g., they do not generally include soil sampling, subsurface investigations or hazardous materials survey) and may have failed to identify all environmental conditions or concerns. Furthermore, we do not have Phase I Environmental Site Assessment reports for all of the properties in our portfolio and, as such, may not be aware of all potential or existing environmental contamination liabilities at the properties in our portfolio. As a result, we could potentially incur material liability for these issues, which could adversely impact our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and the per share trading price of our common stock.

As the owner of the buildings on our properties, we could face liability for the presence of hazardous materials (e.g., asbestos or lead) or other adverse conditions (e.g., poor indoor air quality) in our buildings. Environmental laws govern the presence, maintenance, and removal of hazardous materials in buildings, and if we do not comply with such laws, we could face fines for such noncompliance. Also, we could be liable to third parties (e.g., occupants of the buildings) for damages related to exposure to hazardous materials or adverse conditions in our buildings, and we could incur material expenses with respect to abatement or remediation of

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hazardous materials or other adverse conditions in our buildings. In addition, some of our tenants routinely handle and use hazardous or regulated substances and wastes as part of their operations at our properties, which are subject to regulation. Such environmental and health and safety laws and regulations could subject us or our tenants to liability resulting from these activities.

Competition

We compete with a number of developers, owners and operators of retail, office, multifamily and mixed-use real estate, many of which own properties similar to ours in the same markets in which our properties are located and some of which have greater financial resources than we do. In operating and managing our portfolio, we compete for tenants based on a number of factors, including location, rental rates, security, flexibility and expertise to design space to meet prospective tenants' needs and the manner in which the property is operated, maintained and marketed. As leases at our properties expire, we may encounter significant competition to renew or re-let space in light of the large number of competing properties within the markets in which we operate. As a result, we may be required to provide rent concessions or abatements, incur charges for tenant improvements and other inducements, including early termination rights or below market renewal options, or we may not be able to timely lease vacant space. In that case, our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow, per share trading price of our common stock and ability to satisfy our debt service obligations and to pay dividends may be adversely affected.

We also face competition when pursuing acquisition and disposition opportunities. Our competitors may be able to pay higher property acquisition prices, may have private access to opportunities not available to us and otherwise be in a better position to acquire a property. Competition may also have the effect of reducing the number of suitable acquisition opportunities available to us, increase the price required to consummate an acquisition opportunity and generally reduce the demand for retail, office, mixed-use and multifamily space in our markets. Likewise, competition with sellers of similar properties to locate suitable purchasers may result in us receiving lower proceeds from a sale or in us not being able to dispose of a property at a time of our choosing due to the lack of an acceptable return.

Segments

We operate in four business segments: retail, office, multifamily and mixed-use. Information related to our business segments for 2012, 2011 and 2010 is set forth in footnote 17 to our consolidated financial statements in Item 8 of this Report.

Tenants Accounting for over 10% of Revenues

None of our tenants accounted for more than 10% of total revenues in any of the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 or 2010. salesforce.com at The Landmark at One Market accounted for approximately 13.3% and 15.1% of total office segment revenues for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011.

Foreign Operations

We do not engage in any foreign operations or derive any revenue from foreign sources.

Available Information

We file our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and all amendments to those reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC. You may obtain copies of these documents by visiting the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549, by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 or by accessing the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. In addition, as soon as reasonably practicable after such materials are furnished to the SEC, we make copies of these

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documents available to the public free of charge through our website at www.americanassetstrust.com, or by contacting our Secretary at our principal offices, which are located at 11455 El Camino Real, Suite 200, San Diego, California 92130. Our telephone number is (858) 350-2600. The information contained on our website is not a part of this report and is not incorporated herein by reference.

Our Corporate Governance Guidelines, Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, Policies and Procedures for Complaints Regarding Accounting, Internal Accounting Controls, Fraud or Auditing Matters and the charters of our audit committee, compensation committee and nominating and corporate governance committee are all available in the Corporate Governance section of the Investor Relations section of our website.

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ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

The following section includes the most significant factors that may adversely affect our business and operations. The risk factors describe risks that may affect these statements but are not all-inclusive, particularly with respect to possible future events. Moreover, we operate in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment. New risk factors emerge from time to time and it is not possible for us to predict all such risk factors, nor can we assess the impact of all such risk factors on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements. This discussion of risk factors includes many forward-looking statements. For cautions about relying on forward-looking statements, please refer to the section entitled "Forward Looking Statements" at the beginning of this Report immediately prior to Item 1.

Risks Related to Our Business and Operations

Our portfolio of properties is dependent upon regional and local economic conditions and is geographically concentrated in California, Oregon, Washington, Texas and Hawaii, which may cause us to be more susceptible to adverse developments in those markets than if we owned a more geographically diverse portfolio.

Our properties are located in California, Oregon, Washington, Texas and Hawaii, and substantially all of our properties are concentrated in California, Oregon, Washington and Hawaii, which exposes us to greater economic risks than if we owned a more geographically diverse portfolio. As a result, we are particularly susceptible to adverse economic or other conditions in these markets (such as periods of economic slowdown or recession, business layoffs or downsizing, industry slowdowns, relocations of businesses, increases in real estate and other taxes and the cost of complying with governmental regulations or increased regulation), as well as to natural disasters that occur in these markets (such as earthquakes, wildfires and other events). For example, California, Oregon, Washington and Hawaii experienced economic downturns in recent years. As such, our retail and office properties were impacted by these conditions. Additionally, our properties in Hawaii were impacted by the effects of reduced tourism in Hawaii as a result of the economic downturn. If there is a further downturn in the economy in these markets, our operations and our revenue and cash available for distribution, including cash available to pay distributions to our stockholders, could be materially adversely affected. We cannot assure you that these markets will grow or that underlying real estate fundamentals will be favorable to owners and operators of retail, office, mixed-use or multifamily properties. Our operations may also be affected if competing properties are built in either of these markets. Moreover, submarkets within any of our core markets may be dependent upon a limited number of industries. In addition, the State of California continues to suffer from severe budgetary constraints and is regarded as more litigious and more highly regulated and taxed than many other states, all of which may reduce demand for retail, office, mixed-use or multifamily space in California. Any adverse economic or real estate developments in the California, Oregon, Washington or Hawaii markets, or any decrease in demand for retail, office, multifamily or mixed-use space resulting from the regulatory environment, business climate or energy or fiscal problems, could adversely impact our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow, our ability to satisfy our debt service obligations and our ability to pay distributions to our stockholders.

We have a substantial amount of indebtedness, which may expose us to the risk of default under our debt obligations.

At December 31, 2012, we had total debt outstanding of \$1,057.7 million, a substantial portion of which contains non-recourse carve-out guarantees and environmental indemnities from us and our Operating Partnership, and we may incur significant additional debt to finance future acquisition and development activities. We also have a revolving credit facility with a capacity of \$250.0 million, with no balance outstanding at December 31, 2012. Payments of principal and interest on borrowings may leave us with insufficient cash

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resources to operate our properties or to pay the dividends currently contemplated or necessary to maintain our REIT qualification. Our level of debt and the limitations imposed on us by our debt agreements could have significant adverse consequences, including the following:

our cash flow may be insufficient to meet our required principal and interest payments;

we may be unable to borrow additional funds as needed or on favorable terms, which could, among other things, adversely affect our ability to meet operational needs;

we may be unable to refinance our indebtedness at maturity or the refinancing terms may be less favorable than the terms of our original indebtedness;

we may be forced to dispose of one or more of our properties, possibly on unfavorable terms or in violation of certain covenants to which we may be subject;

we may violate restrictive covenants in our loan documents, which would entitle the lenders to accelerate our debt obligations; and

our default under any loan with cross default provisions could result in a default on other indebtedness.

If any one of these events were to occur, our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock could be adversely affected. Furthermore, foreclosures could create taxable income without accompanying cash proceeds, which could hinder our ability to meet the REIT distribution requirements imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the Code.

We depend on significant tenants in our office properties, and a bankruptcy, insolvency or inability to pay rent of any of these tenants may adversely affect the income produced by our office properties and could have an adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and the per share trading price of our common stock.

As of December 31, 2012, the three largest tenants in our office portfolio – salesforce.com, the Veterans Benefits Administration and Autodesk, Inc. – represented approximately 20.8% of the total annualized base rent in our office portfolio. salesforce.com, inc. is a provider of customer and collaboration relationship management services to various businesses and industries worldwide. The Veterans Benefits Administration is a division of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and is responsible for administering financial and other forms of assistance to veterans and their dependents. Autodesk, Inc. is an American multinational corporation that focuses on 3-D design software for use in the architecture, engineering, construction, manufacturing, media and entertainment industries. The inability of a significant tenant to pay rent or the bankruptcy or insolvency of a significant tenant may adversely affect the income produced by our office properties. If a tenant becomes bankrupt or insolvent, federal law may prohibit us from evicting such tenant based solely upon such bankruptcy or insolvency. In addition, a bankrupt or insolvent tenant may be authorized to reject and terminate its lease with us. Any claim against such tenant for unpaid, future rent would be subject to a statutory cap that might be substantially less than the remaining rent owed under the lease. If any of these tenants were to experience a downturn in its business or a weakening of its financial condition resulting in its failure to make timely rental payments or causing it to default under its lease, we may experience delays in enforcing our rights as landlord and may incur substantial costs in protecting our investment. Any such event could have an adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and the per share trading price of our common stock.

Our retail shopping center properties depend on anchor stores or major tenants to attract shoppers and could be adversely affected by the loss of, or a store closure by, one or more of these tenants.

Our retail shopping center properties typically are anchored by large, nationally recognized tenants. At any time, our tenants may experience a downturn in their business that may weaken significantly their financial condition. As a result, our tenants, including our anchor and other major tenants, may fail to comply with their contractual obligations to us, seek concessions in order to continue operations or declare bankruptcy, any of

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which could result in the termination of such tenants' leases and the loss of rental income attributable to the terminated leases. In addition, certain of our tenants may cease operations while continuing to pay rent, which could decrease customer traffic, thereby decreasing sales for our other tenants at the applicable retail property. In addition to these potential effects of a business downturn, mergers or consolidations among large retail establishments could result in the closure of existing stores or duplicate or geographically overlapping store locations, which could include stores at our retail properties.

Loss of, or a store closure by, an anchor or major tenant could significantly reduce our occupancy level or the rent we receive from our retail properties, and we may not have the right to re-lease vacated space or we may be unable to re-lease vacated space at attractive rents or at all. Moreover, in the event of default by a major tenant or anchor store, we may experience delays and costs in enforcing our rights as landlord to recover amounts due to us under the terms of our agreements with those parties. The occurrence of any of the situations described above, particularly if it involves an anchor tenant with leases in multiple locations, could seriously harm our performance and could adversely affect the value of the applicable retail property.

For example, Sears Holdings Corporation, the parent company of Sears Roebuck and Co. and Kmart Corporation, which leases retail space for a Kmart store at one of our properties with an aggregate of 119,590 leased square feet for an aggregate annualized base rent of \$3.8 million as of December 31, 2011 announced in early 2012 that it would close approximately 80 stores during the year. The loss of Kmart as a tenant at our property could (1) decrease customer traffic for our other tenants at the property, thereby decreasing sales for such tenants and (2) make it more difficult for us to secure tenant lease renewals or new tenants for the property.

As of December 31, 2012, our largest anchor tenants were Lowe's, Kmart and Foodland Super Market, which together represented approximately 15.0% of our total annualized base rent of our retail portfolio in the aggregate, and 6.0%, 5.5% and 3.5%, respectively, of the annualized base rent generated by our retail properties. Foodland Super Market, Ltd. has ceased all operations in its leased premises and has subleased the premises to International Church of the Foursquare Gospel. Although we are currently collecting the rent for the leased premises, Foodland Super Market, Ltd.'s lease expires in 2014 and it is unlikely that it will renew its lease with us. In the event that Foodland Super Market, Ltd. does not renew its lease with us, there can be no assurances that we will be able to re-lease such premises at market rents, or at all, which may materially adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and cash available for distribution and our ability to satisfy our debt service obligations.

Many of the leases at our retail properties contain co-tenancy or go-dark provisions, which, if triggered, may allow tenants to pay reduced rent, cease operations or terminate their leases, any of which could adversely affect our performance or the value of the applicable retail property.

Many of the leases at our retail properties contain co-tenancy provisions that condition a tenant's obligation to remain open, the amount of rent payable by the tenant or the tenant's obligation to continue occupancy on certain conditions, including: (1) the presence of a certain anchor tenant or tenants; (2) the continued operation of an anchor tenant's store; and (3) minimum occupancy levels at the applicable retail property. If a co-tenancy provision is triggered by a failure of any of these or other applicable conditions, a tenant could have the right to cease operations, to terminate its lease early or to a reduction of its rent. In periods of prolonged economic decline, there is a higher than normal risk that co-tenancy provisions will be triggered as there is a higher risk of tenants closing stores or terminating leases during these periods. In addition to these co-tenancy provisions, certain of the leases at our retail properties contain go-dark provisions that allow the tenant to cease operations while continuing to pay rent. This could result in decreased customer traffic at the applicable retail property, thereby decreasing sales for our other tenants at that property, which may result in our other tenants being unable to pay their minimum rents or expense recovery charges. These provisions also may result in lower rental revenue generated under the applicable leases. To the extent co-tenancy or go-dark provisions in our retail leases result in lower revenue or tenant sales or tenants' rights to terminate their leases early or to a reduction of their rent, our performance or the value of the applicable retail property could be adversely affected.

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We may be unable to renew leases, lease vacant space or re-let space as leases expire, thereby increasing or prolonging vacancies, which could adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

As of December 31, 2012, leases representing 8.9% of the square footage and 9.6% of the annualized base rent of the properties in our office, retail and retail portion of our mixed-use portfolios will expire in 2013, and an additional 4.7% of the square footage of the properties in our office, retail and retail portion of our mixed-use portfolios was available. We cannot assure you that leases will be renewed or that our properties will be re-let at rental rates equal to or above the current average rental rates or that substantial rent abatements, tenant improvements, early termination rights or below market renewal options will not be offered to attract new tenants or retain existing tenants. In addition, our ability to lease our multifamily properties at favorable rates, or at all, may be adversely affected by the increase in supply and deterioration in the multifamily market stemming from the recent recession, and is dependent upon the overall level of spending in the economy, which is adversely affected by, among other things, job losses and unemployment levels, recession, personal debt levels, the downturn in the housing market, stock market volatility and uncertainty about the future. If the rental rates for our properties decrease, our existing tenants do not renew their leases or we do not re-let a significant portion of our available space and space for which leases will expire, our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock could be adversely affected.

We may be unable to identify and complete acquisitions of properties that meet our criteria, which may impede our growth.

Our business strategy involves the acquisition of retail, office, multifamily and mixed-use properties. These activities require us to identify suitable acquisition candidates or investment opportunities that meet our criteria and are compatible with our growth strategies. We continue to evaluate the market of available properties and may attempt to acquire properties when strategic opportunities exist. However, we may be unable to acquire properties identified as potential acquisition opportunities. Our ability to acquire properties on favorable terms, or at all, may be exposed to the following significant risks:

we may incur significant costs and divert management attention in connection with evaluating and negotiating potential acquisitions, including ones that we are subsequently unable to complete;

even if we enter into agreements for the acquisition of properties, these agreements are subject to conditions to closing, which we may be unable to satisfy; and

we may be unable to finance the acquisition on favorable terms or at all.

If we are unable to finance property acquisitions or acquire properties on favorable terms, or at all, our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock could be adversely affected. In addition, failure to identify or complete acquisitions of suitable properties could slow our growth.

We face significant competition for acquisitions of real properties, which may reduce the number of acquisition opportunities available to us and increase the costs of these acquisitions.

The current market for acquisitions continues to be extremely competitive. This competition may increase the demand for the types of properties in which we typically invest and, therefore, reduce the number of suitable acquisition opportunities available to us and increase the prices paid for such acquisition properties. We also face significant competition for attractive acquisition opportunities from an indeterminate number of investors, including publicly traded and privately held REITs, private equity investors and institutional investment funds, some of which have greater financial resources than we do, a greater ability to borrow funds to acquire properties and the ability to accept more risk than we can prudently manage, including risks with respect to the geographic proximity of investments and the payment of higher acquisition prices. This competition will increase if

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investments in real estate become more attractive relative to other forms of investment. Competition for investments may reduce the number of suitable investment opportunities available to us and may have the effect of increasing prices paid for such acquisition properties and/or reducing the rents we can charge and, as a result, adversely affecting our operating results.

Our future acquisitions may not yield the returns we expect, and we may otherwise be unable to operate these properties to meet our financial expectations, which could adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

Our future acquisitions and our ability to successfully operate the properties we acquire in such acquisitions may be exposed to the following significant risks:

even if we are able to acquire a desired property, competition from other potential acquirers may significantly increase the purchase price;

we may acquire properties that are not accretive to our results upon acquisition, and we may not successfully manage and lease those properties to meet our expectations;

our cash flow may be insufficient to meet our required principal and interest payments;

we may spend more than budgeted amounts to make necessary improvements or renovations to acquired properties;

we may be unable to quickly and efficiently integrate new acquisitions, particularly acquisitions of portfolios of properties, into our existing operations, and as a result our results of operations and financial condition could be adversely affected;

market conditions may result in higher than expected vacancy rates and lower than expected rental rates; and

we may acquire properties subject to liabilities and without any recourse, or with only limited recourse, with respect to unknown liabilities, such as liabilities for clean-up of undisclosed environmental contamination, claims by tenants, vendors or other persons dealing with the former owners of the properties, liabilities incurred in the ordinary course of business and claims for indemnification by general partners, directors, officers and others indemnified by the former owners of the properties.

If we cannot operate acquired properties to meet our financial expectations, our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock could be adversely affected.

We may not be able to control our operating costs or our expenses may remain constant or increase, even if our revenues do not increase, causing our results of operations to be adversely affected.

Factors that may adversely affect our ability to control operating costs include the need to pay for insurance and other operating costs, including real estate taxes, which could increase over time, the need periodically to repair, renovate and re-lease space, the cost of compliance with governmental regulation, including zoning and tax laws, the potential for liability under applicable laws, interest rate levels and the availability of financing. If our operating costs increase as a result of any of the foregoing factors, our results of operations may be adversely affected.

The expense of owning and operating a property is not necessarily reduced when circumstances such as market factors and competition cause a reduction in income from the property. As a result, if revenues decline, we may not be able to reduce our expenses accordingly. Costs associated with real estate investments, such as real estate taxes, insurance, loan payments and maintenance, generally will not be reduced even if a property is not fully occupied or other circumstances cause our revenues to decrease. If we are unable to decrease operating costs when demand for our properties decreases and our revenues decline, our financial condition, results of operations and our ability to make distributions to our

stockholders may be adversely affected.

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Our ability to grow will be limited if we cannot obtain additional capital.

If economic conditions and conditions in the capital markets are not favorable at the time we need to raise capital, we may need to obtain capital on less favorable terms than our current debt financings. Equity capital could include our common shares or preferred shares. We cannot guarantee that additional financing, refinancing or other capital will be available in the amounts we desire or on favorable terms. Our access to debt or equity capital depends on a number of factors, including the market's perception of our growth potential, our ability to pay dividends, and our current and potential future earnings. Depending on the outcome of these factors as well as the impact of the economic environment, we could experience delay or difficulty in implementing our growth strategy, including the development and redevelopment of our assets, on satisfactory terms, or be unable to implement this strategy.

High mortgage rates and/or unavailability of mortgage debt may make it difficult for us to finance or refinance properties, which could reduce the number of properties we can acquire, our net income and the amount of cash distributions we can make.

If mortgage debt is unavailable at reasonable rates, we may not be able to finance the purchase of properties. If we place mortgage debt on properties, we may be unable to refinance the properties when the loans become due, or to refinance on favorable terms. If interest rates are higher when we refinance our properties, our income could be reduced. If any of these events occur, our cash flow could be reduced. This, in turn, could reduce cash available for distribution to our stockholders and may hinder our ability to raise more capital by issuing more stock or by borrowing more money. In addition, to the extent we are unable to refinance the properties when the loans become due, we will have fewer debt guarantee opportunities available to offer under our tax protection agreement.

Mortgage debt obligations expose us to the possibility of foreclosure, which could result in the loss of our investment in a property or group of properties subject to mortgage debt.

Incurring mortgage and other secured debt obligations increases our risk of property losses because defaults on indebtedness secured by properties may result in foreclosure actions initiated by lenders and ultimately our loss of the property securing any loans for which we are in default. Any foreclosure on a mortgaged property or group of properties could adversely affect the overall value of our portfolio of properties. For tax purposes, a foreclosure on any of our properties that is subject to a nonrecourse mortgage loan would be treated as a sale of the property for a purchase price equal to the outstanding balance of the debt secured by the mortgage. If the outstanding balance of the debt secured by the mortgage exceeds our tax basis in the property, we would recognize taxable income on foreclosure, but would not receive any cash proceeds, which could hinder our ability to meet the REIT distribution requirements imposed by the Code.

Some of our financing arrangements involve balloon payment obligations, which may adversely affect our ability to make distributions.

Some of our financing arrangements require us to make a lump-sum or balloon payment at maturity. Our ability to make a balloon payment at maturity is uncertain and may depend upon our ability to obtain additional financing or our ability to sell the property. At the time the balloon payment is due, we may or may not be able to refinance the existing financing on terms as favorable as the original loan or sell the property at a price sufficient to make the balloon payment. The effect of a refinancing or sale could affect the rate of return to stockholders and the projected time of disposition of our assets. In addition, payments of principal and interest made to service our debts may leave us with insufficient cash to pay the distributions that we are required to pay to maintain our qualification as a REIT.

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Failure to hedge effectively against interest rate changes may adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

Subject to maintaining our qualification as a REIT, we may enter into hedging transactions to protect us from the effects of interest rate fluctuations on floating rate debt. Our hedging transactions may include entering into interest rate cap agreements or interest rate swap agreements. These agreements involve risks, such as the risk that such arrangements would not be effective in reducing our exposure to interest rate changes or that a court could rule that such an agreement is not legally enforceable. In addition, interest rate hedging can be expensive, particularly during periods of rising and volatile interest rates. Hedging could reduce the overall returns on our investments. Failure to hedge effectively against interest rate changes could materially adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock. In addition, while such agreements would be intended to lessen the impact of rising interest rates on us, they could also expose us to the risk that the other parties to the agreements would not perform, we could incur significant costs associated with the settlement of the agreements or that the underlying transactions could fail to qualify as highly-effective cash flow hedges under Financial Accounting Standards Board, or FASB, Accounting Standards Codification, or ASC, Topic 815, Derivative and Hedging.

Our revolving credit facility restricts our ability to engage in some business activities, including our ability to incur additional indebtedness, make capital expenditures and make certain investments, which could adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

Our revolving credit facility contains customary negative covenants and other financial and operating covenants that, among other things:

restrict our ability to incur additional indebtedness;

restrict our ability to incur additional liens;

restrict our ability to make certain investments (including certain capital expenditures);

restrict our ability to merge with another company;

restrict our ability to sell or dispose of assets;

restrict our ability to make distributions to stockholders; and

require us to satisfy minimum financial coverage ratios, minimum tangible net worth requirements and maximum leverage ratios. These limitations restrict our ability to engage in some business activities, which could adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock. In addition, our credit facility contains specific cross-default provisions with respect to specified other indebtedness, giving the lenders the right to declare a default if we are in default under other loans in some circumstances.

If we invest in mortgage receivables, including originating mortgages, such investment would be subject to several risks, any of which could decrease the value of such investments and result in a significant loss to us.

From time to time, we may invest in mortgage receivables, including originating mortgages. In general, investments in mortgages are subject to several risks, including:

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borrowers may fail to make debt service payments or pay the principal when due, which may make it necessary for us to foreclose our mortgages or engage in costly negotiations;

the value of the mortgaged property may be less than the principal amount of the mortgage note securing the property;

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interest rates payable on the mortgages may be lower than our cost for the funds to acquire these mortgages; and

the mortgages may be or become subordinated to mechanics or materialmen's liens or property tax liens, in which case we would need to make payments to maintain the current status of a prior lien or discharge it in its entirety to protect such mortgage investment.

If any of these risks were to be realized, the total amount we would recover from our mortgage receivables may be less than our total investment, resulting in a loss and our mortgage receivables may be materially and adversely affected.

Adverse economic and geopolitical conditions and dislocations in the credit markets could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

Our business may be affected by market and economic challenges experienced by the U.S. economy or real estate industry as a whole, including the recent dislocations in the credit markets and general global economic downturn. These conditions, or similar conditions existing in the future, may adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock as a result of the following potential consequences, among others:

decreased demand for retail, office, multifamily and mixed-use space, which would cause market rental rates and property values to be negatively impacted;

reduced values of our properties may limit our ability to dispose of assets at attractive prices or to obtain debt financing secured by our properties and may reduce the availability of unsecured loans;

our ability to obtain financing on terms and conditions that we find acceptable, or at all, may be limited, which could reduce our ability to pursue acquisition and development opportunities and refinance existing debt, reduce our returns from our acquisition and development activities and increase our future interest expense; and

one or more lenders under our credit facility could refuse to fund their financing commitment to us or could fail and we may not be able to replace the financing commitment of any such lenders on favorable terms, or at all.

In addition, the economic downturn has adversely affected, and may continue to adversely affect, the businesses of many of our tenants. As a result, we may see increases in bankruptcies of our tenants and increased defaults by tenants, and we may experience higher vacancy rates and delays in re-leasing vacant space, which could negatively impact our business and results of operations.

We are subject to risks that affect the general retail environment, such as weakness in the economy, the level of consumer spending, the adverse financial condition of large retailing companies and competition from discount and internet retailers, any of which could adversely affect market rents for retail space and the willingness or ability of retailers to lease space in our shopping centers.

A portion of our properties are in the retail real estate market. This means that we are subject to factors that affect the retail sector generally, as well as the market for retail space. The retail environment and the market for retail space have been, and could continue to be, adversely affected by weakness in the national, regional and local economies, the level of consumer spending and consumer confidence, the adverse financial condition of some large retailing companies, the ongoing consolidation in the retail sector, the excess amount of retail space in a number of markets and increasing competition from discount retailers, outlet malls, internet retailers and other online businesses. Increases in consumer spending via the internet may significantly affect our retail tenants' ability to generate sales in their stores. In addition, some of our retail tenants face competition from the expanding market for digital content and hardware. New and enhanced technologies, including new digital technologies and new web services technologies, may increase competition for certain of our retail tenants.

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Any of the foregoing factors could adversely affect the financial condition of our retail tenants and the willingness of retailers to lease space in our shopping centers. In turn, these conditions could negatively affect market rents for retail space and could materially and adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow, the trading price of our common shares and our ability to satisfy our debt service obligations and to pay distributions to our stockholders.

We have limited operating history as a REIT or a publicly traded company and may not be able to successfully operate as a REIT or a publicly traded company.

We have limited operating history as a REIT or a publicly traded company. We cannot assure you that the past experience of our senior management team will be sufficient to successfully operate our company as a REIT or a publicly traded company, including the requirements to timely meet disclosure requirements of the SEC, and comply with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. We were required to develop and implement control systems and procedures in order to qualify and maintain our qualification as a REIT and satisfy our periodic and current reporting requirements under applicable SEC regulations and comply with New York Stock Exchange, or NYSE, listing standards, and this transition could place a significant strain on our management systems, infrastructure and other resources. Failure to operate successfully as a public company or maintain our qualification as a REIT would have an adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock. See [-Risks Related to Our Status as a REIT-Failure to qualify as a REIT would have significant adverse consequences to us and the value of our common stock.](#)

We face significant competition in the leasing market, which may decrease or prevent increases of the occupancy and rental rates of our properties.

We compete with numerous developers, owners and operators of real estate, many of which own properties similar to ours in the same submarkets in which our properties are located. If our competitors offer space at rental rates below current market rates, or below the rental rates we currently charge our tenants, we may lose existing or potential tenants and we may be pressured to reduce our rental rates below those we currently charge or to offer more substantial rent abatements, tenant improvements, early termination rights or below market renewal options in order to retain tenants when our tenants' leases expire. As a result, our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock could be adversely affected.

We may be required to make rent or other concessions and/or significant capital expenditures to improve our properties in order to retain and attract tenants, causing our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock to be adversely affected.

To the extent adverse economic conditions continue in the real estate market and demand for retail, office, multifamily and mixed-use space remains low, we expect that, upon expiration of leases at our properties, we will be required to make rent or other concessions to tenants, accommodate requests for renovations, build-to-suit remodeling and other improvements or provide additional services to our tenants. As a result, we may have to make significant capital or other expenditures in order to retain tenants whose leases expire and to attract new tenants in sufficient numbers. Additionally, we may need to raise capital to make such expenditures. If we are unable to do so or capital is otherwise unavailable, we may be unable to make the required expenditures. This could result in non-renewals by tenants upon expiration of their leases, which could cause an adverse effect to our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

The actual rents we receive for the properties in our portfolio may be less than our asking rents, and we may experience lease roll down from time to time, which could negatively impact our ability to generate cash flow growth.

As a result of various factors, including competitive pricing pressure in our submarkets, adverse conditions in the California, Oregon, Washington, Texas and Hawaii real estate markets, a general economic downturn and the desirability of our properties compared to other properties in our submarkets, we may be unable to realize the

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asking rents across the properties in our portfolio. In addition, the degree of discrepancy between our asking rents and the actual rents we are able to obtain may vary both from property to property and among different leased spaces within a single property. If we are unable to obtain rental rates that are on average comparable to our asking rents across our portfolio, then our ability to generate cash flow growth will be negatively impacted. In addition, depending on asking rental rates at any given time as compared to expiring leases in our portfolio, from time to time rental rates for expiring leases may be higher than starting rental rates for new leases.

We may acquire properties or portfolios of properties through tax deferred contribution transactions, which could result in stockholder dilution and limit our ability to sell such assets.

In the future we may acquire properties or portfolios of properties through tax deferred contribution transactions in exchange for partnership interests in our Operating Partnership, which may result in stockholder dilution. This acquisition structure may have the effect of, among other things, reducing the amount of tax depreciation we could deduct over the tax life of the acquired properties, and may require that we agree to protect the contributors' ability to defer recognition of taxable gain through restrictions on our ability to dispose of the acquired properties and/or the allocation of partnership debt to the contributors to maintain their tax bases. These restrictions could limit our ability to sell an asset at a time, or on terms, that would be favorable absent such restrictions.

We are subject to the business, financial and operating risks inherent to the hospitality industry, including competition for guests with other hospitality properties and general and local economic conditions that may affect demand for travel in general, any of which could adversely affect the revenues generated by our hospitality properties.

Because we own the Waikiki Beach Walk-Embassy Suites in Hawaii and the Santa Fe Park RV Resort in California, we are susceptible to risks associated with the hospitality industry, including:

competition for guests with other hospitality properties, some of which may have greater marketing and financial resources than the managers of our hospitality properties;

increases in operating costs from inflation, labor costs (including the impact of unionization), workers' compensation and healthcare related costs, utility costs, insurance and other factors that the managers of our hospitality properties may not be able to offset through higher rates;

the fluctuating and seasonal demands of business travelers and tourism, which seasonality may cause quarterly fluctuations in our revenues;

general and local economic conditions that may affect demand for travel in general;

periodic oversupply resulting from excessive new development;

unforeseen events beyond our control, such as terrorist attacks, travel-related health concerns, including pandemics and epidemics, imposition of taxes or surcharges by regulatory authorities, travel-related accidents and unusual weather patterns, including natural disasters such as earthquakes or wildfires; and

decreased reimbursement revenue from the licensor for traveler reward programs.

If our hospitality properties do not generate sufficient revenues, our financial position, results of operations, cash flow, per share trading price of our common stock and ability to satisfy our debt service obligations and to pay distributions to you may be adversely affected.

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We must rely on third-party management companies to operate the Waikiki Beach Walk Embassy Suites in order to maintain our qualification as a REIT under the Code, and, as a result, we will have less control than if we were operating the hotel directly.

In order for us to maintain our qualification as a REIT, we have leased the Waikiki Beach Walk Embassy Suites to WBW Hotel Lessee, LLC, our taxable REIT subsidiary, or TRS, lessee, and engaged a third party management company to operate our hotel. While we have some input into operating decisions for the hotel leased by our TRS lessee and operated under a management agreement, we will have less control than if we managed the hotel ourselves. Even if we believe that our hotel is not being operated efficiently, we may not have sufficient rights under the management agreement to enable us to force the management company to change its method of operation. We cannot assure you that the management company will successfully manage our hotel. A failure by the management company to successfully manage the hotel could lead to an increase in our operating expenses or a decrease in our revenue, or both, which could adversely impact our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow, our ability to satisfy our debt service obligations and our ability to pay distributions to our stockholders.

If our relationship with the franchisor of the Waikiki Beach Walk-Embassy Suites was to deteriorate or terminate, it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders.

We cannot assure you that disputes between us and the franchisor of the Waikiki Beach Walk Embassy Suites will not arise. If our relationship with the franchisor were to deteriorate as a result of disputes regarding the franchise agreement under which our hotel operates or for other reasons, the franchisor could, under certain circumstances, terminate our current license with them or decline to provide licenses for hotels that we may acquire in the future. If any of the foregoing were to occur, it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders.

Our franchisor, Embassy Suites, could cause us to expend additional funds on upgraded operating standards, which may adversely affect our results of operations and reduce cash available for distribution to stockholders.

Under the terms of our franchise license agreement, our hotel operator must comply with operating standards and terms and conditions imposed by the franchisor of the hotel brand, Embassy Suites. Failure by us, our TRS lessees or any hotel management company that we engage to maintain these standards or other terms and conditions could result in the franchise license being canceled or the franchisor requiring us to undertake a costly property improvement program. If the franchise license is terminated due to our failure to make required improvements or to otherwise comply with its terms, we may be liable to the franchisor for a termination payment, which we expect could be as high as approximately \$5.7 million based on operating performance through December 31, 2012. In addition, our franchisor may impose upgraded or new brand standards, such as substantially upgrading the bedding, enhancing the complimentary breakfast or increasing the value of guest awards under its frequent guest program, which can add substantial expense for the hotel. Furthermore, under certain circumstances, the franchisor may require us to make certain capital improvements to maintain the hotel in accordance with system standards, the cost of which can be substantial and may adversely affect our results of operations and reduce cash available for distribution to our stockholders.

Embassy Suites, our franchisor, has a right of first offer with respect to the Waikiki Beach Walk Embassy Suites, which may limit our ability to obtain the highest price possible for the hotel.

Pursuant to the terms of our franchise agreement for the Waikiki Beach Walk-Embassy Suites, the franchisor has a right of first offer to purchase the hotel if we propose to sell all or a portion of the hotel or any interest therein. In the event that we choose to dispose of the hotel, we would be required to notify the franchisor, prior to offering the hotel to any other potential buyer, of the price and conditions on which we would be willing

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to sell the hotel, and the franchisor would have the right, within 30 days of receiving such notice, to make an offer to purchase the hotel. If the franchisor makes an offer to purchase that is equal to or greater than the price and on substantially the same terms set forth in our notice, then we will be obligated to sell the hotel to the franchisor at that price and on those terms. If the franchisor makes an offer to purchase for less than the price stated in our notice or on less favorable terms, then we may reject the franchisor's offer. The existence of this right of first offer could adversely impact our ability to obtain the highest possible price for the hotel as, during the term of the franchise agreement, we would not be able to offer the hotel to potential purchasers through a competitive bid process or in a similar manner designed to maximize the value obtained for the property without first offering to sell this property to the franchisor.

Our real estate development activities are subject to risks particular to development, such as unanticipated expenses, delays and other contingencies, any of which could adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and the per share trading price of our common stock.

We may engage in development and redevelopment activities with respect to certain of our properties. To the extent that we do so, we will be subject to the following risks associated with such development and redevelopment activities:

unsuccessful development or redevelopment opportunities could result in direct expenses to us;

construction or redevelopment costs of a project may exceed original estimates, possibly making the project less profitable than originally estimated, or unprofitable;

time required to complete the construction or redevelopment of a project or to lease up the completed project may be greater than originally anticipated, thereby adversely affecting our cash flow and liquidity;

contractor and subcontractor disputes, strikes, labor disputes or supply disruptions;

failure to achieve expected occupancy and/or rent levels within the projected time frame, if at all;

delays with respect to obtaining or the inability to obtain necessary zoning, occupancy, land use and other governmental permits, and changes in zoning and land use laws;

occupancy rates and rents of a completed project may not be sufficient to make the project profitable;

our ability to dispose of properties developed or redeveloped with the intent to sell could be impacted by the ability of prospective buyers to obtain financing given the current state of the credit markets; and

the availability and pricing of financing to fund our development activities on favorable terms or at all.

These risks could result in substantial unanticipated delays or expenses and, under certain circumstances, could prevent completion of development or redevelopment activities once undertaken, any of which could have an adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and the per share trading price of our common stock.

Our success depends on key personnel whose continued service is not guaranteed, and the loss of one or more of our key personnel could adversely affect our ability to manage our business and to implement our growth strategies, or could create a negative perception in the capital markets.

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Our continued success and our ability to manage anticipated future growth depend, in large part, upon the efforts of key personnel, particularly Messrs. Rady, Chamberlain and Barton, who have extensive market knowledge and relationships and exercise substantial influence over our operational, financing, acquisition and disposition activity. Among the reasons that these individuals are important to our success is that each has a national or regional industry reputation that attracts business and investment opportunities and assists us in negotiations with lenders, existing and potential tenants and industry personnel. If we lose their services, our relationships with such personnel could diminish.

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Many of our other senior executives also have extensive experience and strong reputations in the real estate industry, which aid us in identifying opportunities, having opportunities brought to us and negotiating with tenants and build-to-suit prospects. The loss of services of one or more members of our senior management team, or our inability to attract and retain highly qualified personnel, could adversely affect our business, diminish our investment opportunities and weaken our relationships with lenders, business partners, existing and prospective tenants and industry participants, which could adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

Mr. Rady is involved in outside businesses, which may interfere with his ability to devote time and attention to our business and affairs.

We rely on our senior management team, including Mr. Rady, for the day-to-day operations of our business. Our employment agreement with Mr. Rady requires him to devote a substantial portion of his business time and attention to our business. Mr. Rady continues to serve as chairman of the board of directors and president of American Assets, Inc. and chairman of the board of directors of Insurance Company of the West. As such, Mr. Rady has certain ongoing duties to American Assets, Inc. and Insurance Company of the West that could require a portion of his time and attention. Although we expect that Mr. Rady will continue to devote a substantial majority of his business time and attention to us, we cannot accurately predict the amount of time and attention that will be required of Mr. Rady to perform such ongoing duties. To the extent that Mr. Rady is required to dedicate time and attention to American Assets, Inc. and/or Insurance Company of the West, his ability to devote a substantial majority of his business time and attention to our business and affairs may be limited and could adversely affect our operations.

We may be subject to on-going or future litigation, including existing claims relating to the entities that owned our properties prior to the Formation Transactions and otherwise in the ordinary course of business, which could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

We may be subject to on-going litigation, including claims in existence prior to the completion of the Formation Transactions relating to the entities that previously owned our properties and operated the businesses at our properties and otherwise in the ordinary course of business. Upon the completion of our initial public offering, we succeeded, as a result of completing the Formation Transactions, to certain claims arising in the ordinary course of business for unlawful detainer/eviction against certain tenants, damages for alleged breaches of leases, personal injury for slip-and-fall cases and claims with respect to the access and use of the properties by disabled persons under the ADA. Some of these claims may result in significant defense costs and potentially significant judgments against us, some of which are not, or cannot be, insured against. We generally intend to vigorously defend ourselves; however, we cannot be certain of the ultimate outcomes of currently asserted claims or of those that may arise in the future. In addition, we may become subject to litigation in connection with the Formation Transactions in the event that prior investors dispute the valuation of their respective interests, the adequacy of the consideration received by them in the Formation Transactions or the interpretation of the agreements implementing the Formation Transactions. Resolution of these types of matters against us may result in our having to pay significant fines, judgments, or settlements, which, if uninsured, or if the fines, judgments, and settlements exceed insured levels, could adversely impact our earnings and cash flows, thereby having an adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock. Certain litigation or the resolution of certain litigation may affect the availability or cost of some of our insurance coverage, which could adversely impact our results of operations and cash flows, expose us to increased risks that would be uninsured, and/or adversely impact our ability to attract officers and directors.

Potential losses from earthquakes in California, Oregon, Washington and Hawaii may not be fully covered by insurance.

Many of the properties we currently own are located in California, Oregon, Washington and Hawaii, which are areas especially subject to earthquakes. While we will carry earthquake insurance on all of our properties, the amount of our earthquake insurance coverage may not be sufficient to fully cover losses from earthquakes and

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will be subject to limitations involving large deductibles or co-payments. In addition, we may reduce or discontinue earthquake insurance on some or all of our properties in the future if the cost of premiums for any such policies exceeds, in our judgment, the value of the coverage discounted for the risk of loss. As a result, in the event of an earthquake, we may be required to incur significant costs, and, to the extent that a loss exceeds policy limits, we could lose the capital invested in the damaged properties as well as the anticipated future cash flows from those properties. In addition, if the damaged properties are subject to recourse indebtedness, we would continue to be liable for the indebtedness, even if these properties were irreparably damaged.

We may not be able to rebuild our existing properties to their existing specifications if we experience a substantial or comprehensive loss of such properties.

In the event that we experience a substantial or comprehensive loss of one of our properties, we may not be able to rebuild such property to its existing specifications. Further, reconstruction or improvement of such a property would likely require significant upgrades to meet zoning and building code requirements. Environmental and legal restrictions could also restrict the rebuilding of our properties. For example, if we experienced a substantial or comprehensive loss of Torrey Reserve Campus in San Diego, California, reconstruction could be delayed or prevented by the California Coastal Commission, which regulates land use in the California coastal zone.

Joint venture investments could be adversely affected by our lack of sole decision-making authority, our reliance on co-venturers' financial condition and disputes between us and our co-venturers.

We may co-invest in the future with other third parties through partnerships, joint ventures or other entities, acquiring non-controlling interests in or sharing responsibility for managing the affairs of a property, partnership, joint venture or other entity. Consequently, with respect to any such arrangement we may enter into in the future, we would not be in a position to exercise sole decision-making authority regarding the property, partnership, joint venture or other entity. Investments in partnerships, joint ventures or other entities may, under certain circumstances, involve risks not present were a third party not involved, including the possibility that partners or co-venturers might become bankrupt or fail to fund their share of required capital contributions. Partners or co-venturers may have economic or other business interests or goals which are inconsistent with our business interests or goals, and may be in a position to take actions contrary to our policies or objectives, and they may have competing interests in our markets that could create conflict of interest issues. Such investments may also have the potential risk of impasses on decisions, such as a sale, because neither we nor the partner or co-venturer would have full control over the partnership or joint venture. In addition, a sale or transfer by us to a third party of our interests in the joint venture may be subject to consent rights or rights of first refusal, in favor of our joint venture partners, which would in each case restrict our ability to dispose of our interest in the joint venture. Where we are a limited partner or non-managing member in any partnership or limited liability company, if such entity takes or expects to take actions that could jeopardize our status as a REIT or require us to pay tax, we may be forced to dispose of our interest in such entity. Disputes between us and partners or co-venturers may result in litigation or arbitration that would increase our expenses and prevent our officers and/ or directors from focusing their time and effort on our business. Consequently, actions by or disputes with partners or co-venturers might result in subjecting properties owned by the partnership or joint venture to additional risk. In addition, we may in certain circumstances be liable for the actions of our third-party partners or co-venturers. Our joint ventures may be subject to debt and, in the current volatile credit market, the refinancing of such debt may require equity capital calls.

Increased competition and increased affordability of residential homes could limit our ability to retain our residents, lease apartment homes or increase or maintain rents at our multifamily apartment communities.

Our multifamily apartment communities compete with numerous housing alternatives in attracting residents, including other multifamily apartment communities and single-family rental homes, as well as owner occupied single- and multifamily homes. Competitive housing in a particular area and an increase in the affordability of

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owner occupied single and multifamily homes due to, among other things, housing prices, oversupply, mortgage interest rates and tax incentives and government programs to promote home ownership, could adversely affect our ability to retain residents, lease apartment homes and increase or maintain rents.

Our growth depends on external sources of capital that are outside of our control and may not be available to us on commercially reasonable terms or at all, which could limit our ability, among other things, to meet our capital and operating needs or make the cash distributions to our stockholders necessary to maintain our qualification as a REIT.

In order to maintain our qualification as a REIT, we are required under the Code, among other things, to distribute annually at least 90% of our REIT taxable income, determined without regard to the dividends paid deduction and excluding any net capital gain. In addition, we will be subject to income tax at regular corporate rates to the extent that we distribute less than 100% of our REIT taxable income, including any net capital gains. Because of these distribution requirements, we may not be able to fund future capital needs, including any necessary acquisition financing, from operating cash flow. Consequently, we intend to rely on third-party sources to fund our capital needs. We may not be able to obtain such financing on favorable terms or at all and any additional debt we incur will increase our leverage and likelihood of default. Our access to third-party sources of capital depends, in part, on:

general market conditions;

the market's perception of our growth potential;

our current debt levels;

our current and expected future earnings;

our cash flow and cash distributions; and

the market price per share of our common stock.

Recently, the capital markets have been subject to significant disruptions. If we cannot obtain capital from third-party sources, we may not be able to acquire or develop properties when strategic opportunities exist, meet the capital and operating needs of our existing properties, satisfy our debt service obligations or make the cash distributions to our stockholders necessary to maintain our qualification as a REIT.

Risks Related to the Real Estate Industry

Our performance and value are subject to risks associated with real estate assets and the real estate industry, including local oversupply, reduction in demand or adverse changes in financial conditions of buyers, sellers and tenants of properties, which could decrease revenues or increase costs, which would adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and the per share trading price of our common stock.

Our ability to pay expected dividends to our stockholders depends on our ability to generate revenues in excess of expenses, scheduled principal payments on debt and capital expenditure requirements. Events and conditions generally applicable to owners and operators of real property that are beyond our control may decrease cash available for distribution and the value of our properties. These events include many of the risks set forth above under Risks Related to Our Business and Operations, as well as the following:

local oversupply or reduction in demand for retail, office, multifamily or mixed-use space;

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adverse changes in financial conditions of buyers, sellers and tenants of properties;

vacancies or our inability to rent space on favorable terms, including possible market pressures to offer tenants rent abatements, tenant improvements, early termination rights or below market renewal options, and the need to periodically repair, renovate and re-let space;

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increased operating costs, including insurance premiums, utilities, real estate taxes and state and local taxes;

a favorable interest rate environment that may result in a significant number of potential residents of our multifamily apartment communities deciding to purchase homes instead of renting;

rent control or stabilization laws, or other laws regulating rental housing, which could prevent us from raising rents to offset increases in operating costs;

civil unrest, acts of war, terrorist attacks and natural disasters, including earthquakes and floods, which may result in uninsured or underinsured losses;

decreases in the underlying value of our real estate;

changing submarket demographics; and

changing traffic patterns.

In addition, periods of economic downturn or recession, rising interest rates or declining demand for real estate, or the public perception that any of these events may occur, could result in a general decline in rents or an increased incidence of defaults under existing leases, which would adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

Illiquidity of real estate investments could significantly impede our ability to respond to adverse changes in the performance of our properties and harm our financial condition.

The real estate investments made, and to be made, by us are relatively difficult to sell quickly. As a result, our ability to promptly sell one or more properties in our portfolio in response to changing economic, financial and investment conditions is limited. Return of capital and realization of gains, if any, from an investment generally will occur upon disposition or refinancing of the underlying property. We may be unable to realize our investment objectives by sale, other disposition or refinancing at attractive prices within any given period of time or may otherwise be unable to complete any exit strategy. In particular, our ability to dispose of one or more properties within a specific time period is subject to certain limitations imposed by our tax protection agreement, as well as weakness in or even the lack of an established market for a property, changes in the financial condition or prospects of prospective purchasers, changes in national or international economic conditions, such as the recent economic downturn, and changes in laws, regulations or fiscal policies of jurisdictions in which the property is located.

In addition, the Code imposes restrictions on a REIT's ability to dispose of properties that are not applicable to other types of real estate companies. In particular, the tax laws applicable to REITs effectively require that we hold our properties for investment, rather than primarily for sale in the ordinary course of business, which may cause us to forego or defer sales of properties that otherwise would be in our best interest. Therefore, we may not be able to vary our portfolio in response to economic or other conditions promptly or on favorable terms, which may adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

Our property taxes could increase due to property tax rate changes or reassessment, which would adversely impact our cash flows.

Even if we continue to qualify as a REIT for federal income tax purposes, we will be required to pay some state and local taxes on our properties. The real property taxes on our properties may increase as property tax rates change or as our properties are assessed or reassessed by taxing authorities. All of the properties in our portfolio that are located in California have been or will be reassessed as a result of our initial public offering and the Formation Transactions. Therefore, the amount of property taxes we pay in the future may increase substantially from what we have paid in the past. If the property taxes we pay increase, our cash flow would be adversely impacted, and our ability to pay any expected dividends to our stockholders could be adversely affected.

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As an owner of real estate, we could incur significant costs and liabilities related to environmental matters.

Under various federal, state and local laws and regulations relating to the environment, as a current or former owner or operator of real property, we may be liable for costs and damages resulting from the presence or discharge of hazardous or toxic substances, waste or petroleum products at, on, in, under or migrating from such property, including costs to investigate, clean up such contamination and liability for harm to natural resources. Such laws often impose liability without regard to whether the owner or operator knew of, or was responsible for, the presence of such contamination, and the liability may be joint and several. These liabilities could be substantial and the cost of any required remediation, removal, fines or other costs could exceed the value of the property and/or our aggregate assets. In addition, the presence of contamination or the failure to remediate contamination at our properties may expose us to third-party liability for costs of remediation and/or personal or property damage or materially adversely affect our ability to sell, lease or develop our properties or to borrow using the properties as collateral. In addition, environmental laws may create liens on contaminated sites in favor of the government for damages and costs it incurs to address such contamination. Moreover, if contamination is discovered on our properties, environmental laws may impose restrictions on the manner in which property may be used or businesses may be operated, and these restrictions may require substantial expenditures.

Some of our properties have been or may be impacted by contamination arising from current or prior uses of the property, or adjacent properties, for commercial or industrial purposes. Such contamination may arise from spills of petroleum or hazardous substances or releases from tanks used to store such materials. For example, Del Monte Center is currently undergoing remediation of dry cleaning solvent contamination from a former onsite dry cleaner. The prior owner of Del Monte Center entered into a fixed fee environmental services agreement in 1997 pursuant to which the remediation will be completed for approximately \$3.5 million, with the remediation costs paid for through an escrow funded by the prior owner. We expect that the funds in this escrow account will cover all remaining costs and expenses of the environmental remediation. However, if the Regional Water Quality Control Board Central Coast Region were to require further work costing more than the remaining escrowed funds, we could be required to pay such overage although we may have a claim for such costs against the prior owner or our environmental remediation consultant. In addition to the foregoing, we possess Phase I Environmental Site Assessments for certain of the properties in our portfolio. However, the assessments are limited in scope (e.g., they do not generally include soil sampling, subsurface investigations or hazardous materials survey) and may have failed to identify all environmental conditions or concerns. Furthermore, we do not have Phase I Environmental Site Assessment reports for all of the properties in our portfolio and, as such, may not be aware of all potential or existing environmental contamination liabilities at the properties in our portfolio. As a result, we could potentially incur material liability for these issues, which could adversely impact our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and the per share trading price of our common stock.

As the owner of the buildings on our properties, we could face liability for the presence of hazardous materials (e.g., asbestos or lead) or other adverse conditions (e.g., poor indoor air quality) in our buildings. Environmental laws govern the presence, maintenance, and removal of hazardous materials in buildings, and if we do not comply with such laws, we could face fines for such noncompliance. Also, we could be liable to third parties (e.g., occupants of the buildings) for damages related to exposure to hazardous materials or adverse conditions in our buildings, and we could incur material expenses with respect to abatement or remediation of hazardous materials or other adverse conditions in our buildings. In addition, some of our tenants routinely handle and use hazardous or regulated substances and wastes as part of their operations at our properties, which are subject to regulation. Such environmental and health and safety laws and regulations could subject us or our tenants to liability resulting from these activities. Environmental liabilities could affect a tenant's ability to make rental payments to us, and changes in laws could increase the potential liability for noncompliance. This may result in significant unanticipated expenditures or may otherwise materially and adversely affect our operations, or those of our tenants, which could in turn have an adverse effect on us.

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We cannot assure you that costs or liabilities incurred as a result of environmental issues will not affect our ability to make distributions to you or that such costs or other remedial measures will not have an adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock. If we do incur material environmental liabilities in the future, we may face significant remediation costs, and we may find it difficult to sell any affected properties.

Our properties may contain or develop harmful mold or suffer from other air quality issues, which could lead to liability for adverse health effects and costs of remediation.

When excessive moisture accumulates in buildings or on building materials, mold growth may occur, particularly if the moisture problem remains undiscovered or is not addressed over a period of time. Some molds may produce airborne toxins or irritants. Indoor air quality issues can also stem from inadequate ventilation, chemical contamination from indoor or outdoor sources, and other biological contaminants such as pollen, viruses and bacteria. Indoor exposure to airborne toxins or irritants above certain levels can be alleged to cause a variety of adverse health effects and symptoms, including allergic or other reactions. As a result, the presence of significant mold or other airborne contaminants at any of our properties could require us to undertake a costly remediation program to contain or remove the mold or other airborne contaminants from the affected property or increase indoor ventilation. In addition, the presence of significant mold or other airborne contaminants could expose us to liability from our tenants, employees of our tenants or others if property damage or personal injury is alleged to have occurred.

We may incur significant costs complying with various federal, state and local laws, regulations and covenants that are applicable to our properties.

The properties in our portfolio are subject to various covenants and federal, state and local laws and regulatory requirements, including permitting and licensing requirements. Local regulations, including municipal or local ordinances, zoning restrictions and restrictive covenants imposed by community developers may restrict our use of our properties and may require us to obtain approval from local officials or restrict our use of our properties and may require us to obtain approval from local officials of community standards organizations at any time with respect to our properties, including prior to acquiring a property or when undertaking renovations of any of our existing properties. Among other things, these restrictions may relate to fire and safety, seismic or hazardous material abatement requirements. There can be no assurance that existing laws and regulatory policies will not adversely affect us or the timing or cost of any future acquisitions or renovations, or that additional regulations will not be adopted that increase such delays or result in additional costs. Our growth strategy may be affected by our ability to obtain permits, licenses and zoning relief. Our failure to obtain such permits, licenses and zoning relief or to comply with applicable laws could have an adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

In addition, federal and state laws and regulations, including laws such as the ADA and the FHAA, impose further restrictions on our properties and operations. Under the ADA and the FHAA, all public accommodations must meet federal requirements related to access and use by disabled persons. Some of our properties may currently be in non-compliance with the ADA or the FHAA. If one or more of the properties in our portfolio is not in compliance with the ADA, the FHAA or any other regulatory requirements, we may be required to incur additional costs to bring the property into compliance and we might incur governmental fines or the award of damages to private litigants. In addition, we do not know whether existing requirements will change or whether future requirements will require us to make significant unanticipated expenditures that will adversely impact our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

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Risks Related to Our Organizational Structure

Ernest S. Rady and his affiliates, directly or indirectly, own a substantial beneficial interest in our company on a fully diluted basis and have the ability to exercise significant influence on our company and our Operating Partnership, including the approval of significant corporate transactions.

As of December 31, 2012, Mr. Rady and his affiliates owned approximately 13.9% of our outstanding common stock and 26.6% of our outstanding common units, which together represent an approximate 35.8% beneficial interest in our company on a fully diluted basis. Consequently, Mr. Rady may be able to significantly influence the outcome of matters submitted for stockholder action, including the approval of significant corporate transactions, including business combinations, consolidations and mergers. In addition, we may not, without prior limited partner approval, directly or indirectly transfer all or any portion of our interest in the Operating Partnership before the later of the death of Mr. Rady and the death of his wife, in connection with a merger, consolidation or other combination of our assets with another entity, a sale of all or substantially all of our assets, a reclassification, recapitalization or change in any outstanding shares of our stock or other outstanding equity interests or an issuance of shares of our stock, in any case that requires approval by our common stockholders. As a result, Mr. Rady has substantial influence on us and could exercise his influence in a manner that conflicts with the interests of other stockholders.

Conflicts of interest may exist or could arise in the future between the interests of our stockholders and the interests of holders of units in our Operating Partnership, which may impede business decisions that could benefit our stockholders.

Conflicts of interest may exist or could arise in the future as a result of the relationships between us and our affiliates, on the one hand, and our Operating Partnership or any partner thereof, on the other. Our directors and officers have duties to our company under Maryland law in connection with their management of our company. At the same time, we, as the general partner of our Operating Partnership, have fiduciary duties and obligations to our Operating Partnership and its limited partners under Maryland law and the partnership agreement of our Operating Partnership in connection with the management of our Operating Partnership. Our fiduciary duties and obligations as the general partner of our Operating Partnership may come into conflict with the duties of our directors and officers to our company.

Under Maryland law, a general partner of a Maryland limited partnership has fiduciary duties of loyalty and care to the partnership and its partners and must discharge its duties and exercise its rights as general partner under the partnership agreement or Maryland law consistently with the obligation of good faith and fair dealing. The partnership agreement provides that, in the event of a conflict between the interests of our Operating Partnership or any partner, on the one hand, and the separate interests of our company or our stockholders, on the other hand, we, in our capacity as the general partner of our Operating Partnership, are under no obligation not to give priority to the separate interests of our company or our stockholders, and that any action or failure to act on our part or on the part of our directors that gives priority to the separate interests of our company or our stockholders that does not result in a violation of the contract rights of the limited partners of the Operating Partnership under its partnership agreement does not violate the duty of loyalty that we, in our capacity as the general partner of our Operating Partnership, owe to the Operating Partnership and its partners.

Additionally, the partnership agreement provides that we will not be liable to the Operating Partnership or any partner for monetary damages for losses sustained, liabilities incurred or benefits not derived by the Operating Partnership or any limited partner, except for liability for our intentional harm or gross negligence. Our Operating Partnership must indemnify us, our directors and officers, officers of our Operating Partnership and our designees from and against any and all claims that relate to the operations of our Operating Partnership, unless (1) an act or omission of the person was material to the matter giving rise to the action and either was committed in bad faith or was the result of active and deliberate dishonesty, (2) the person actually received an improper personal benefit in violation or breach of the partnership agreement or (3) in the case of a criminal proceeding, the indemnified person had reasonable cause to believe that the act or omission was unlawful. Our

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Operating Partnership must also pay or reimburse the reasonable expenses of any such person upon its receipt of a written affirmation of the person's good faith belief that the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification has been met and a written undertaking to repay any amounts paid or advanced if it is ultimately determined that the person did not meet the standard of conduct for indemnification. Our Operating Partnership will not indemnify or advance funds to any person with respect to any action initiated by the person seeking indemnification without our approval (except for any proceeding brought to enforce such person's right to indemnification under the partnership agreement) or if the person is found to be liable to our Operating Partnership on any portion of any claim in the action. No reported decision of a Maryland appellate court has interpreted provisions similar to the provisions of the partnership agreement of our Operating Partnership that modify and reduce our fiduciary duties or obligations as the general partner or reduce or eliminate our liability for money damages to the Operating Partnership and its partners, and we have not obtained an opinion of counsel as to the enforceability of the provisions set forth in the partnership agreement that purport to modify or reduce the fiduciary duties that would be in effect were it not for the partnership agreement.

We assumed unknown liabilities in connection with the Formation Transactions, and any recourse against third parties, including the prior investors in our assets, for certain of these liabilities will be limited.

As part of the Formation Transactions, we acquired entities and assets that were subject to existing liabilities, some of which may be unknown or unquantifiable. These liabilities might include liabilities for cleanup or remediation of undisclosed environmental conditions, claims by tenants, vendors or other persons dealing with our predecessor entities (that had not been asserted or threatened prior to our initial public offering), tax liabilities and accrued but unpaid liabilities incurred in the ordinary course of business. While in some instances we may have the right to seek reimbursement against an insurer, any recourse against third parties, including the prior investors in our assets, for certain of these liabilities will be limited. There can be no assurance that we will be entitled to any such reimbursement or that ultimately we will be able to recover in respect of such rights for any of these historical liabilities.

Our charter and bylaws, the partnership agreement of our Operating Partnership and Maryland law contain provisions that may delay, defer or prevent a change of control transaction that might involve a premium price for our common stock or that our stockholders otherwise believe to be in their best interest.

Our charter contains certain ownership limits with respect to our stock. Our charter, subject to certain exceptions, authorizes our board of directors to take such actions as it determines are advisable to preserve our qualification as a REIT. Our charter also prohibits the actual, beneficial or constructive ownership by any person of more than 7.275% in value or number of shares, whichever is more restrictive, of the outstanding shares of our common stock or more than 7.275% in value of the aggregate outstanding shares of all classes and series of our stock, excluding any shares that are not treated as outstanding for federal income tax purposes. Our board of directors, in its sole and absolute discretion, may exempt a person, prospectively or retroactively, from these ownership limits if certain conditions are satisfied. Our board of directors has granted to each of (1) Mr. Rady (and certain of his affiliates), (2) Cohen & Steers Management, Inc. and (3) RREEF America L.L.C. an exemption from the ownership limits that will allow them to own, in the aggregate, up to 19.9%, 15% and 10%, respectively, in value or in number of shares, whichever is more restrictive, of our outstanding common stock, subject to various conditions and limitations. The restrictions on ownership and transfer of our stock may:

discourage a tender offer or other transactions or a change in management or of control that might involve a premium price for our common stock or that our stockholders otherwise believe to be in their best interests; or

result in the transfer of shares acquired in excess of the restrictions to a trust for the benefit of a charitable beneficiary and, as a result, the forfeiture by the acquirer of the benefits of owning the additional shares.

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We could increase the number of authorized shares of stock, classify and reclassify unissued stock and issue stock without stockholder approval.

Our board of directors, without stockholder approval, has the power under our charter to amend our charter to increase the aggregate number of shares of stock or the number of shares of stock of any class or series that we are authorized to issue, to authorize us to issue authorized but unissued shares of our common stock or preferred stock and to classify or reclassify any unissued shares of our common stock or preferred stock into one or more classes or series of stock and set the terms of such newly classified or reclassified shares. As a result, we may issue series or classes of common stock or preferred stock with preferences, dividends, powers and rights, voting or otherwise, that are senior to, or otherwise conflict with, the rights of holders of our common stock. Although our board of directors has no such intention at the present time, it could establish a class or series of preferred stock that could, depending on the terms of such series, delay, defer or prevent a transaction or a change of control that might involve a premium price for our common stock or that our stockholders otherwise believe to be in their best interest.

Certain provisions of Maryland law could inhibit changes in control, which may discourage third parties from conducting a tender offer or seeking other change of control transactions that could involve a premium price for our common stock or that our stockholders otherwise believe to be in their best interest.

Certain provisions of the Maryland General Corporation Law, or MGCL, may have the effect of inhibiting a third party from making a proposal to acquire us or of impeding a change of control under circumstances that otherwise could provide the holders of shares of our common stock with the opportunity to realize a premium over the then-prevailing market price of such shares, including:

business combination provisions that, subject to limitations, prohibit certain business combinations between us and an interested stockholder (defined generally as any person who beneficially owns 10% or more of the voting power of our shares or an affiliate thereof or an affiliate or associate of ours who was the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of 10% or more of the voting power of our then outstanding voting stock at any time within the two-year period immediately prior to the date in question) for five years after the most recent date on which the stockholder becomes an interested stockholder, and thereafter impose fair price and/or supermajority and stockholder voting requirements on these combinations; and

control share provisions that provide that control shares of our company (defined as shares that, when aggregated with other shares controlled by the stockholder, entitle the stockholder to exercise one of three increasing ranges of voting power in electing directors) acquired in a control share acquisition (defined as the direct or indirect acquisition of ownership or control of issued and outstanding control shares) have no voting rights with respect to their control shares, except to the extent approved by our stockholders by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of all the votes entitled to be cast on the matter, excluding all interested shares.

As permitted by the MGCL, our board of directors has, by board resolution, elected to opt out of the business combination provisions of the MGCL. However, we cannot assure you that our board of directors will not opt to be subject to such business combination provisions of the MGCL in the future.

Certain provisions of the MGCL permit our board of directors, without stockholder approval and regardless of what is currently provided in our charter or bylaws, to implement certain corporate governance provisions, some of which (for example, a classified board) are not currently applicable to us. These provisions may have the effect of limiting or precluding a third party from making an unsolicited acquisition proposal for us or of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control of us under circumstances that otherwise could provide the holders of shares of our common stock with the opportunity to realize a premium over the then current market price. Our charter contains a provision whereby we elected to be subject to the provisions of Title 3, Subtitle 8 of the MGCL relating to the filling of vacancies on our board of directors.

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Certain provisions in the partnership agreement of our Operating Partnership may delay or prevent unsolicited acquisitions of us.

Provisions in the partnership agreement of our Operating Partnership may delay, or make more difficult, unsolicited acquisitions of us or changes of our control. These provisions could discourage third parties from making proposals involving an unsolicited acquisition of us or change of our control, although some stockholders might consider such proposals, if made, desirable. These provisions include, among others:

redemption rights of qualifying parties;

a requirement that we may not be removed as the general partner of our Operating Partnership without our consent;

transfer restrictions on common units;

our ability, as general partner, in some cases, to amend the partnership agreement and to cause the Operating Partnership to issue units with terms that could delay, defer or prevent a merger or other change of control of us or our Operating Partnership without the consent of the limited partners; and

the right of the limited partners to consent to direct or indirect transfers of the general partnership interest, including as a result of a merger or a sale of all or substantially all of our assets, in the event that such transfer requires approval by our common stockholders. In particular, we may not, without prior partnership approval, directly or indirectly transfer all or any portion of our interest in our Operating Partnership, before the later of the death of Mr. Rady and the death of his wife, in connection with a merger, consolidation or other combination of our assets with another entity, a sale of all or substantially all of our assets, a reclassification, recapitalization or change in any outstanding shares of our stock or other outstanding equity interests or an issuance of shares of our stock, in any case that requires approval by our common stockholders. The partnership approval requirement is satisfied, with respect to such a transfer, when the sum of (1) the percentage interest of limited partners consenting to the transfer of our interest, plus (2) the product of (a) the percentage of the outstanding common units held by us multiplied by (b) the percentage of the votes that were cast in favor of the event by our common stockholders equals or exceeds the percentage required for our common stockholders to approve the event resulting in the transfer. As of December 31, 2012, the limited partners, including Mr. Rady and his affiliates and our other executive officers and directors, owned approximately 31.6% of our outstanding common units and approximately 15.8% of our outstanding common stock, which together represent an approximate 42.1% beneficial interest in our company on a fully diluted basis.

Our charter and bylaws, the partnership agreement of our Operating Partnership and Maryland law also contain other provisions that may delay, defer or prevent a transaction or a change of control that might involve a premium price for our common stock or that our stockholders otherwise believe to be in their best interest.

Tax protection agreements could limit our ability to sell or otherwise dispose of certain properties, even though a sale or disposition may otherwise be in our stockholders' best interest.

In connection with the Formation Transactions, we entered into tax protection agreements with certain limited partners of our Operating Partnership, including Mr. Rady and his affiliates and an affiliate of Mr. Chamberlain, that provide that if we dispose of any interest with respect to Carmel Country Plaza, Carmel Mountain Plaza, Del Monte Center, Loma Palisades, Lomas Santa Fe Plaza, Waialele Center or the ICW Plaza portion of Torrey Reserve Campus, which we collectively refer to as the tax protected properties, in a taxable transaction during the period from the closing of our initial public offering through the seventh anniversary of such closing, we will indemnify such limited partners for their tax liabilities attributable to their share of the built-in gain that existed with respect to such property interest as of the time of our initial public offering and tax liabilities incurred as a result of the reimbursement payment; provided that, subject to certain exceptions and limitations, such indemnification rights will terminate for any such protected partner that sells, exchanges or otherwise disposes of more than 50% of his or her common units. Notwithstanding the foregoing the Operating

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Partnership's indemnification obligations under the tax protection agreement will terminate upon the later of the death of Mr. Rady and the death of his wife. The tax protected properties represented 29.0% of our portfolio's annualized base rent as of December 31, 2012 and including total revenue for Waikiki Beach Walk-Embassy Suites for the 12 month period ended December 31, 2012. We have no present intention to sell or otherwise dispose of the properties or interest therein in taxable transactions during the restriction period. If we were to trigger the tax protection provisions under these agreements, we would be required to pay damages in the amount of the taxes owed by these limited partners (plus additional damages in the amount of the taxes incurred as a result of such payment). In addition, although it may otherwise be in our stockholders' best interest that we sell one of these properties, it may be economically prohibitive for us to do so because of these obligations.

Our tax protection agreements may require our Operating Partnership to maintain certain debt levels that otherwise would not be required to operate our business.

Our tax protection agreements provide that during the period from the closing of our initial public offering through the seventh anniversary of such closing, our Operating Partnership will offer certain holders of common units the opportunity to guarantee its debt, and following such period, our Operating Partnership will use commercially reasonable efforts to provide such prior investors with debt guarantee opportunities. We will be required to indemnify such holders for their tax liabilities resulting from our failure to make such opportunities available to them (and any tax liabilities incurred as a result of the indemnity payment). Notwithstanding the foregoing the Operating Partnership's indemnification obligations under the tax protection agreement will terminate upon the later of the death of Mr. Rady and the death of his wife. Subject to certain exceptions and limitations, such holders' rights to guarantee opportunities will terminate for any given holder that sells, exchanges or otherwise disposes of more than 50% of his or her common units. We agreed to these provisions in order to assist certain prior investors in deferring the recognition of taxable gain as a result of and after the formation transactions. These obligations may require us to maintain more or different indebtedness than we would otherwise require for our business.

Our board of directors may change our investment and financing policies without stockholder approval and we may become more highly leveraged, which may increase our risk of default under our debt obligations.

Our investment and financing policies are exclusively determined by our board of directors. Accordingly, our stockholders do not control these policies. Further, our charter and bylaws do not limit the amount or percentage of indebtedness, funded or otherwise, that we may incur. Our board of directors may alter or eliminate our current policy on borrowing at any time without stockholder approval. If this policy changed, we could become more highly leveraged which could result in an increase in our debt service. Higher leverage also increases the risk of default on our obligations. In addition, a change in our investment policies, including the manner in which we allocate our resources across our portfolio or the types of assets in which we seek to invest, may increase our exposure to interest rate risk, real estate market fluctuations and liquidity risk. Changes to our policies with regards to the foregoing could adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

Our rights and the rights of our stockholders to take action against our directors and officers are limited.

As permitted by Maryland law, our charter eliminates the liability of our directors and officers to us and our stockholders for money damages, except for liability resulting from:

actual receipt of an improper benefit or profit in money, property or services; or

a final judgment based upon a finding of active and deliberate dishonesty by the director or officer that was material to the cause of action adjudicated.

As a result, we and our stockholders may have more limited rights against our directors and officers than might otherwise exist. Accordingly, in the event that actions taken in good faith by any of our directors or officers impede the performance of our company, your ability to recover damages from such director or officer will be limited.

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We are a holding company with no direct operations and, as such, we will rely on funds received from our Operating Partnership to pay liabilities, and the interests of our stockholders will be structurally subordinated to all liabilities and obligations of our Operating Partnership and its subsidiaries.

We are a holding company and conduct substantially all of our operations through our Operating Partnership. We do not have, apart from an interest in our Operating Partnership, any independent operations. As a result, we rely on distributions from our Operating Partnership to pay any dividends we might declare on shares of our common stock. We also rely on distributions from our Operating Partnership to meet our obligations, including any tax liability on taxable income allocated to us from our Operating Partnership. In addition, because we are a holding company, claims of stockholders are structurally subordinated to all existing and future liabilities and obligations (whether or not for borrowed money) of our Operating Partnership and its subsidiaries. Therefore, in the event of our bankruptcy, liquidation or reorganization, our assets and those of our Operating Partnership and its subsidiaries will be available to satisfy the claims of our stockholders only after all of our and our Operating Partnership's and its subsidiaries' liabilities and obligations have been paid in full.

Our Operating Partnership may issue additional partnership units to third parties without the consent of our stockholders, which would reduce our ownership percentage in our Operating Partnership and would have a dilutive effect on the amount of distributions made to us by our Operating Partnership and, therefore, the amount of distributions we can make to our stockholders.

We may, in connection with our acquisition of properties or otherwise, issue additional partnership units to third parties. Such issuances would reduce our ownership percentage in our Operating Partnership and affect the amount of distributions made to us by our Operating Partnership and, therefore, the amount of distributions we can make to our stockholders. To the extent that our stockholders do not directly own partnership units, our stockholders will not have any voting rights with respect to any such issuances or other partnership level activities of our Operating Partnership.

Our operating structure subjects us to the risk of increased hotel operating expenses.

Our lease with our TRS lessee requires our TRS lessee to pay us rent based in part on revenues from the Waikiki Beach Walk-Embassy Suites . Our operating risks include decreases in hotel revenues and increases in hotel operating expenses, which would adversely affect our TRS lessee's ability to pay us rent due under the lease, including but not limited to the increases in:

wage and benefit costs;

repair and maintenance expenses;

energy costs;

property taxes;

insurance costs; and

other operating expenses.

Increases in these operating expenses can have an adverse impact on our financial condition, results of operations, the market price of our common stock and our ability to make distributions to our stockholders.

Future sales of common stock or common units by our directors and officers, or their pledgees, as a result of margin calls or foreclosures could adversely affect the price of our common stock and could, in the future, result in a loss of control of our company.

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Our directors and officers may pledge shares of common stock or common units owned or controlled by them as collateral for loans or for margin purposes in favor of third parties. Depending on the status of the various loan obligations for which the stock or units ultimately serve as collateral and the trading price of our

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common stock, our directors and/or officers, and their affiliates, may experience a foreclosure or margin call that could result in the sale of the pledged stock or units, in the open market or otherwise. Unlike for our directors and officers, sales by these pledgees may not be subject to the volume limitations of Rule 144 of the Securities Act. A sale of pledged stock or units by pledgees could result in a loss of control of our company, depending upon the number of shares of stock or units sold and the ownership interests of other stockholders. In addition, sale of these shares or units, or the perception of possible future sales, could have a materially adverse effect on the trading price of our common stock or make it more difficult for us to raise additional capital through sales of equity securities.

Risks Related to Our Status as a REIT

Failure to maintain our qualification as a REIT would have significant adverse consequences to us and the value of our common stock.

We elected to be taxed and to operate in a manner that allowed us to qualify as a REIT for federal income tax purposes commencing with our taxable year ending December 31, 2011. We have not requested and do not plan to request a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service, or IRS, that we qualify as a REIT. Therefore, we cannot be assured that we will qualify as a REIT, or that we will remain qualified as such in the future. If we lose our REIT status, we will face serious tax consequences that would substantially reduce the funds available for distribution to you for each of the years involved because:

we would not be allowed a deduction for distributions to stockholders in computing our taxable income and would be subject to federal income tax at regular corporate rates;

we also could be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax and possibly increased state and local taxes; and

unless we are entitled to relief under applicable statutory provisions, we could not elect to be taxed as a REIT for four taxable years following the year during which we were disqualified.

Any such corporate tax liability could be substantial and would reduce our cash available for, among other things, our operations and distributions to stockholders. In addition, if we fail to maintain our qualification as a REIT, we will not be required to make distributions to our stockholders. As a result of all these factors, our failure to maintain our qualification as a REIT also could impair our ability to expand our business and raise capital, and could materially and adversely affect the value of our common stock.

Qualification as a REIT involves the application of highly technical and complex Code provisions for which there are only limited judicial and administrative interpretations. The complexity of these provisions and of the applicable Treasury regulations that have been promulgated under the Code, or the Treasury Regulations, is greater in the case of a REIT that, like us, holds its assets through a partnership. The determination of various factual matters and circumstances not entirely within our control may affect our ability to maintain our qualification as a REIT. In order to maintain our qualification as a REIT, we must satisfy a number of requirements, including requirements regarding the ownership of our stock, requirements regarding the composition of our assets and a requirement that at least 95% of our gross income in any year must be derived from qualifying sources, such as rents from real property. Also, we must make distributions to stockholders aggregating annually at least 90% of our REIT taxable income, excluding net capital gains. In addition, legislation, new regulations, administrative interpretations or court decisions may materially adversely affect our investors, our ability maintain our qualification as a REIT for federal income tax purposes or the desirability of an investment in a REIT relative to other investments.

Even if we maintain our qualification as a REIT for federal income tax purposes, we may be subject to some federal, state and local income, property and excise taxes on our income or property and, in certain cases, a 100% penalty tax, in the event we sell property as a dealer. In addition, our taxable REIT subsidiaries will be subject to tax as regular corporations in the jurisdictions they operate.

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If our Operating Partnership failed to qualify as a partnership for federal income tax purposes, we would cease to qualify as a REIT and suffer other adverse consequences.

We believe that our Operating Partnership will be treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes. As a partnership, our Operating Partnership will not be subject to federal income tax on its income. Instead, each of its partners, including us, will be allocated, and may be required to pay tax with respect to, its share of our Operating Partnership's income. We cannot be assured, however, that the IRS will not challenge the status of our Operating Partnership or any other subsidiary partnership in which we own an interest as a partnership for federal income tax purposes, or that a court would not sustain such a challenge. If the IRS were successful in treating our Operating Partnership or any such other subsidiary partnership as an entity taxable as a corporation for federal income tax purposes, we would fail to meet the gross income tests and certain of the asset tests applicable to REITs and, accordingly, we would likely cease to qualify as a REIT. Also, the failure of our Operating Partnership or any subsidiary partnerships to qualify as a partnership could cause it to become subject to federal and state corporate income tax, which would reduce significantly the amount of cash available for debt service and for distribution to its partners, including us.

Our ownership of taxable REIT subsidiaries will be limited, and we will be required to pay a 100% penalty tax on certain income or deductions if our transactions with our taxable REIT subsidiaries are not conducted on arm's length terms.

We own an interest in one taxable REIT subsidiary, our TRS lessee, and may acquire securities in additional taxable REIT subsidiaries in the future. A taxable REIT subsidiary is a corporation other than a REIT in which a REIT directly or indirectly holds stock, and that has made a joint election with such REIT to be treated as a taxable REIT subsidiary. If a taxable REIT subsidiary owns more than 35% of the total voting power or value of the outstanding securities of another corporation, such other corporation will also be treated as a taxable REIT subsidiary. Other than some activities relating to lodging and health care facilities, a taxable REIT subsidiary may generally engage in any business, including the provision of customary or non-customary services to tenants of its parent REIT. A taxable REIT subsidiary is subject to federal income tax as a regular C corporation. In addition, a 100% excise tax will be imposed on certain transactions between a taxable REIT subsidiary and its parent REIT that are not conducted on an arm's length basis.

A REIT's ownership of securities of a taxable REIT subsidiary is not subject to the 5% or 10% asset tests applicable to REITs. Not more than 25% of our total assets may be represented by securities (including securities of one or more taxable REIT subsidiaries), other than those securities includable in the 75% asset test. We anticipate that the aggregate value of the stock and securities of our taxable REIT subsidiaries and other nonqualifying assets will be less than 25% of the value of our total assets, and we will monitor the value of these investments to ensure compliance with applicable ownership limitations. In addition, we intend to structure our transactions with our taxable REIT subsidiaries to ensure that they are entered into on arm's length terms to avoid incurring the 100% excise tax described above. There can be no assurance, however, that we will be able to comply with the 25% limitation or to avoid application of the 100% excise tax discussed above.

To maintain our REIT status, we may be forced to borrow funds during unfavorable market conditions, and the unavailability of such capital on favorable terms at the desired times, or at all, may cause us to curtail our investment activities and/or to dispose of assets at inopportune times, which could adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

To maintain our REIT status, we generally must distribute to our stockholders at least 90% of our REIT taxable income each year, excluding net capital gains, and we will be subject to regular corporate income taxes to the extent that we distribute less than 100% of our REIT taxable income each year. In addition, we will be subject to a 4% nondeductible excise tax on the amount, if any, by which distributions paid by us in any calendar year are less than the sum of 85% of our ordinary income, 95% of our capital gain net income and 100% of our undistributed income from prior years. In order to maintain our REIT status and avoid the payment of income

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and excise taxes, we may need to borrow funds to meet the REIT distribution requirements even if the then prevailing market conditions are not favorable for these borrowings. These borrowing needs could result from, among other things, differences in timing between the actual receipt of cash and inclusion of income for federal income tax purposes, or the effect of non-deductible capital expenditures, the creation of reserves or required debt or amortization payments. These sources, however, may not be available on favorable terms or at all. Our access to third-party sources of capital depends on a number of factors, including the market's perception of our growth potential, our current debt levels, the market price of our common stock, and our current and potential future earnings. We cannot assure you that we will have access to such capital on favorable terms at the desired times, or at all, which may cause us to curtail our investment activities and/or to dispose of assets at inopportune times, and could adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow and per share trading price of our common stock.

We may in the future choose to make dividends payable partly in our common stock, in which case you may be required to pay tax in excess of the cash you receive.

To maintain our REIT status, we generally must distribute to our stockholders at least 90% of our REIT taxable income each year, excluding net capital gains. In order to preserve cash to repay debt or for other reasons, we may satisfy the REIT distribution requirements by distributing taxable dividends that are payable partly in our stock and partly in cash. Taxable stockholders receiving such dividends will be required to include the full amount of the dividend as ordinary income to the extent of our current and accumulated earnings and profits for federal income tax purposes. As a result, a U.S. stockholder may be required to pay tax with respect to such dividends in excess of the cash received. If a U.S. stockholder sells the stock it receives as a dividend in order to pay this tax, the sales proceeds may be less than the amount included in income with respect to the dividend, depending on the market price of our stock at the time of the sale. Furthermore, with respect to non-U.S. stockholders, we may be required to withhold U.S. tax with respect to such dividends, including in respect of all or a portion of such dividend that is payable in stock. In addition, if a significant number of our stockholders determine to sell shares of our stock in order to pay taxes owed on dividends, such sales may have an adverse effect on the per share trading price of our common stock.

Dividends payable by REITs do not qualify for the reduced tax rates available for some dividends.

The maximum tax rate applicable to income from qualified dividends payable to U.S. stockholders that are individuals, trusts and estates is 20%. Dividends payable by REITs, however, generally are not eligible for the 20% rate. Although these rules do not adversely affect the taxation of REITs or dividends payable by REITs investors who are individuals, trusts and estates may perceive investments in REITs to be relatively less attractive than investments in the stocks of non-REIT corporations that pay dividends, which could adversely affect the value of the shares of REITs, including the per share trading price of our common stock.

The tax imposed on REITs engaging in prohibited transactions may limit our ability to engage in transactions which would be treated as sales for federal income tax purposes.

A REIT's net income from prohibited transactions is subject to a 100% penalty tax. In general, prohibited transactions are sales or other dispositions of property, other than foreclosure property, held primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of business. Although we do not intend to hold any properties that would be characterized as held for sale to customers in the ordinary course of our business, unless a sale or disposition qualifies under certain statutory safe harbors, such characterization is a factual determination and no guarantee can be given that the IRS would agree with our characterization of our properties or that we will always be able to make use of the available safe harbors.

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Complying with REIT requirements may affect our profitability and may force us to liquidate or forgo otherwise attractive investments.

To maintain our qualification as a REIT, we must continually satisfy tests concerning, among other things, the nature and diversification of our assets, the sources of our income and the amounts we distribute to our stockholders. We may be required to liquidate or forgo otherwise attractive investments in order to satisfy the asset and income tests or to qualify under certain statutory relief provisions. We also may be required to make distributions to stockholders at disadvantageous times or when we do not have funds readily available for distribution. As a result, having to comply with the distribution requirement could cause us to: (1) sell assets in adverse market conditions; (2) borrow on unfavorable terms; or (3) distribute amounts that would otherwise be invested in future acquisitions, capital expenditures or repayment of debt. Accordingly, satisfying the REIT requirements could have an adverse effect on our business results, profitability and ability to execute our business plan. Moreover, if we are compelled to liquidate our investments to meet any of these asset, income or distribution tests, or to repay obligations to our lenders, we may be unable to comply with one or more of the requirements applicable to REITs or may be subject to a 100% tax on any resulting gain if such sales constitute prohibited transactions.

Legislative or other actions affecting REITs could have a negative effect on us, including our ability to maintain our qualification as a REIT or the federal income tax consequences of such qualification.

The rules dealing with federal income taxation are constantly under review by persons involved in the legislative process and by the IRS and the U.S. Department of the Treasury. Changes to the tax laws, with or without retroactive application, could adversely affect our investors or us. We cannot predict how changes in the tax laws might affect our investors or us. New legislation, Treasury Regulations, administrative interpretations or court decisions could significantly and negatively affect our ability to qualify as a REIT or the federal income tax consequences of such qualification.

ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

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ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

Our Portfolio

As of December 31, 2012, our operating portfolio was comprised of 23 retail, office, multifamily and mixed-use properties with an aggregate of approximately 5.8 million rentable square feet of retail and office space (including mixed-use retail space), 922 residential units (including 122 RV spaces) and a 369-room hotel. Additionally, as of December 31, 2012, we owned land at five of our properties that we classified as held for development.

Retail and Office Portfolios

Property	Location	Year Built/ Renovated	Number of Buildings	Net Rentable Square Feet	Percentage Leased	Annualized Base Rent	Annualized Base Rent Per Leased Square Foot
RETAIL PROPERTIES							
Carmel Country Plaza	San Diego, CA	1991	9	78,098	100.0%	\$ 3,418,273	\$ 43.77
Carmel Mountain Plaza ⁽¹⁾	San Diego, CA	1994	13	520,228	92.1	10,333,487	21.57
South Bay Marketplace ⁽¹⁾	San Diego, CA	1997	9	132,877	100.0	2,150,465	16.18
Rancho Carmel Plaza	San Diego, CA	1993	3	30,421	89.3	765,496	28.18
Lomas Santa Fe Plaza	Solana Beach, CA	1972/1997	9	209,569	94.8	5,265,448	26.50
Solana Beach Towne Centre	Solana Beach, CA	1973/2000/2004	12	246,730	99.4	5,652,581	23.05
Del Monte Center ⁽¹⁾	Monterey, CA	1967/1984/2006	16	676,571	98.9	9,192,149	13.74
Geary Marketplace	Walnut Creek, CA	2012	3	35,156	100.0	1,068,883	30.40
The Shops at Kalakaua	Honolulu, HI	1971/2006	3	11,671	100.0	1,569,640	134.49
Waialele Center	Waipahu, HI	1993/2008	9	537,823	94.8	17,616,476	34.55
Alamo Quarry Market ⁽¹⁾	San Antonio, TX	1997/1999	16	589,501	99.9	12,895,221	21.90
Subtotal / Weighted Average Retail Portfolio			102	3,068,645	97.0%	\$ 69,928,119	\$ 23.49
OFFICE PROPERTIES							
Torrey Reserve	San Diego, CA	1996-2000	9	456,850	93.1%	\$ 15,431,733	\$ 36.28
Solana Beach Corporate Centre	Solana Beach, CA	1982/2005	4	212,019	93.5	6,752,284	34.06
The Landmark at One Market ⁽²⁾	San Francisco, CA	1917/2000	1	421,934	100.0	18,966,745	44.95
One Beach Street	San Francisco, CA	1924/1972/1987/1992	1	97,614	100.0	2,794,437	28.63
First & Main	Portland, OR	2010	1	361,229	98.8	11,150,871	31.24
Lloyd District Portfolio	Portland, OR	1940-2011	6	605,413	85.3	11,462,073	22.20
City Center Bellevue	Bellevue, WA	1987	1	490,508	92.1	13,595,919	30.10
Subtotal / Weighted Average Office Portfolio			23	2,645,567	93.3%	\$ 80,154,062	\$ 32.47
Total / Weighted Average Retail and Office Portfolio			125	5,714,212	95.3%	\$ 150,082,181	\$ 27.56

Mixed-Use Portfolio

Retail Portion	Location	Year Built/ Renovated	Number of Buildings	Net Rentable Square Feet	Percent Leased	Annualized Base Rent	Annualized Base Rent Per Leased Square Foot
Waikiki Beach Walk Retail ⁽³⁾	Honolulu, HI	2006	3	96,707	95.5%	\$ 9,977,318	\$ 108.03

Hotel Portion	Location	Year Built/ Renovated	Number of	Units	Average Occupancy	Average Daily Rate	Revenue per
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		Buildings					Available Room	
Waikiki Beach Walk Embassy Suites™	Honolulu, HI	2008	2	369	88.9%	\$	264.06	\$ 234.75

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Property	Location	Year Built/ Renovated	Number of Buildings	Units	Percentage Leased	Annualized Base Rent	Average Monthly Base Rent per Leased Unit
Loma Palisades	San Diego, CA	1958/2001-2008	80	548	97.4%	\$ 9,932,424	\$ 1,551
Imperial Beach Gardens	Imperial Beach, CA	1959/2008-present	26	160	98.8	2,619,372	1,381
Mariner's Point	Imperial Beach, CA	1986	8	88	100	1,189,188	1,126
Santa Fe Park RV Resort ⁽⁴⁾	San Diego, CA	1971/2007-2008	1	126	74.0	913,200	816
Total / Weighted Average Multifamily			115	922	94.7%	\$ 14,654,184	\$ 1,399

(1) Net rentable square feet at certain of our retail properties includes square footage leased pursuant to ground leases, as described in the following table:

Property	Number of Ground Leases	Square Footage Leased Pursuant to Ground Leases	Aggregate Annualized Base Rent
Carmel Mountain Plaza	6	127,112	\$ 1,020,900
South Bay Marketplace	1	2,824	\$ 91,320
Del Monte Center	2	295,100	\$ 201,291
Alamo Quarry Market	4	31,994	\$ 459,075

- (2) This property contains 421,934 net rentable square feet consisting of The Landmark at One Market (377,714 net rentable square feet) as well as a separate long-term leasehold interest in approximately 44,220 net rentable square feet of space located in an adjacent six-story leasehold known as the Annex. We currently lease the Annex from an affiliate of the Paramount Group pursuant to a long-term master lease effective through June 30, 2016, which we have the option to extend until 2026 pursuant to two five-year extension options.
- (3) Waikiki Beach Walk-Retail contains 96,707 net rentable square feet consisting of 94,093 net rentable square feet that we own in fee and approximately 2,614 net rentable square feet of space in which we have a subleasehold interest pursuant to a sublease from First Hawaiian Bank effective through December 31, 2021.
- (4) The Santa Fe Park RV Resort is subject to seasonal variation, with higher rates of occupancy occurring during the summer months. The number of units at the Santa Fe Park RV Resort includes 122 RV spaces and four apartments.

In the tables above:

The net rentable square feet for each of our retail properties and the retail portion of our mixed-use property is the sum of (1) the square footages of existing leases, plus (2) for available space, the field-verified square footage. The net rentable square feet for each of our office properties is the sum of (1) the square footages of existing leases, plus (2) for available space, management's estimate of net rentable square feet based, in part, on past leases. The net rentable square feet included in such office leases is generally determined consistently with the Building Owners and Managers Association, or BOMA, 1996 measurement guidelines.

Percentage leased for each of our retail and office properties and the retail portion of the mixed-use property is calculated as square footage under leases as of December 31, 2012, divided by net rentable square feet, expressed as a percentage. The square footage under lease includes leases which may not have commenced as of December 31, 2012. Percentage leased for our multifamily properties is calculated as total units rented as of December 31, 2012, divided by total units available, expressed as a percentage.

Annualized base rent is calculated by multiplying base rental payments (defined as cash base rents, before abatements) for the month ended December 31, 2012, by 12. Annualized base rent per leased square foot is calculated by dividing annualized base rent, by square footage under lease as of December 31, 2012. In the case of triple net or modified gross leases, annualized base rent does not include tenant reimbursements for real estate taxes, insurance, common area or other operating

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expenses. Total abatements for leases in effect as of December 31, 2012 for our retail and office portfolio equaled approximately \$4.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. There were no abatements for the retail portion of our mixed-use portfolio for the year ended December 31, 2012. Total abatements for leases in effect as of December 31, 2012 for our multifamily portfolio equaled approximately \$0.03 million for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Units represent the total number of units available for sale/rent at December 31, 2012.

Average occupancy represents the percentage of available units that were sold during the 12-month period ended December 31, 2012, and is calculated by dividing the number of units sold by the product of the total number of units and the total number of days in the period. Average daily rate represents the average rate paid for the units sold and is calculated by dividing the total room revenue (i.e., excluding food and beverage revenues or other hotel operations revenues such as telephone, parking and other guest services) for the 12-month period ended December 31, 2012, by the number of units sold. Revenue per available room, or RevPAR, represents the total unit revenue per total available units for the 12-month period ended December 31, 2012 and is calculated by multiplying average occupancy by the average daily rate. RevPAR does not include food and beverage revenues or other hotel operations revenues such as telephone, parking and other guest services.

Average monthly base rent per leased unit represents the average monthly base rent per leased units for the 12-month period ended December 31, 2012.

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At December 31, 2012, our operating portfolio had approximately 776 leases with office and retail tenants, of which 4 expired on December 31, 2012 and 10 had not yet commenced. Our residential properties had approximately 780 leases with residential tenants at December 31, 2012, excluding Santa Fe Park RV Resort. The retail portion of our mixed-use property had approximately 61 leases with retailers. No one tenant or affiliated group of tenants accounted for more than 6.6% of our annualized base rent as of December 31, 2012 for our retail, office and retail portion of our mixed-use property portfolio. The following table sets forth information regarding the 25 tenants with the greatest annualized base rent for our combined retail, office and retail portion of our mixed-use property portfolios as of December 31, 2012.

Tenant	Property(ies)	Lease Expiration	Total Leased Square Feet	Rentable Square Feet as a Percentage of Total	Annualized Base Rent ⁽¹⁾	Annualized Base Rent as a Percentage of Total
salesforce.com, inc.	The Landmark at One Market	6/30/2019 4/30/2020 5/31/2021	226,892	3.9%	\$ 10,624,175	6.6%
Lowe's	Waialele Center	5/31/2018	155,000	2.7	4,221,786	2.6
Kmart	Waialele Center	6/30/2018	119,590	2.1	3,826,880	2.4
Veterans Benefits Administration	First & Main	8/31/2020	93,572	1.6	3,006,453	1.9
Autodesk, Inc. ⁽²⁾	The Landmark at One Market	12/31/2015 12/31/2017	68,869	1.2	2,984,838	1.9
Microsoft Corporation ⁽²⁾	The Landmark at One Market	12/31/2012	45,795	0.8	2,976,675	1.9
Treasury Tax Administration ⁽³⁾	First & Main	8/31/2015	70,660	1.2	2,583,330	1.6
Insurance Company of the West	Torrey Reserve Campus	12/31/2016	81,040	1.4	2,449,631	1.5
Foodland Super Market ⁽⁴⁾	Waialele Center	1/25/2014	50,000	0.9	2,430,981	1.5
Treasury Call Center ⁽⁵⁾	First & Main	8/31/2020	63,648	1.1	2,184,302	1.4
Caradigm USA LLC	City Center Bellevue	8/14/2017	68,956	1.2	2,103,158	1.3
Sports Authority	Carmel Mountain Plaza, Waialele Center	11/30/2013 7/18/2018	90,722	1.6	2,076,602	1.3
Nordstrom Rack	Carmel Mountain Plaza, Alamo Quarry Market	9/30/2022 10/31/2022	69,047	1.2	1,990,316	1.2
Quicksilver	Waikiki Beach Walk	12/31/2015	8,365	0.1	1,978,920	1.2
Alliant International University	One Beach Street	10/31/2019	64,161	1.1	1,775,176	1.1
Sprouts Farmers Market	Solana Beach Towne Centre, Carmel Mountain Plaza, Geary Marketplace	6/30/2014 3/31/2025 9/30/2032	71,431	1.2	1,763,776	1.1
Ross Dress for Less	Lomas Santa Fe Plaza, Carmel Mountain Plaza, South Bay Marketplace	1/31/2013 1/31/2014 1/31/2018	81,125	1.4	1,595,826	1.0
Portland Energy Conservation ⁽⁶⁾	First & Main	1/31/2021	73,422	1.3	1,588,118	1.0
Integra Telecom Holdings	Lloyd District Portfolio	1/31/2014 5/31/2014	62,588	1.1	1,540,625	1.0
California Bank & Trust	Torrey Reserve Campus	5/31/2019 10/31/2019	29,985	0.5	1,403,806	0.9
HDR Engineering	City Center Bellevue	12/31/2017	54,290	0.9	1,402,407	0.9
McDermott Will & Emery ⁽⁷⁾	Torrey Reserve Campus	11/30/2018	25,044	0.4	1,362,208	0.9
Inome, Inc.	City Center Bellevue	7/31/2017	37,276	0.6	1,360,574	0.9
Old Navy	South Bay Marketplace, Waialele Center, Alamo Quarry Market	4/30/2016 7/31/2016 9/30/2017	59,780	1.0	*	*

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Officemax	Waialele Center, Alamo Quarry Market	1/31/2014 9/30/2017	47,962	0.8	1,176,511	0.7
TOTAL			1,819,220	31.3%	\$ 60,407,074	37.8%

* Data withheld at tenant's request.

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- (1) Annualized base rent is calculated by multiplying (i) base rental payments (defined as cash base rents before abatements) for the month ended December 31, 2012 for the applicable lease(s) by (ii) 12.
- (2) Autodesk has entered into a lease to expand into the 45,795 square feet of space previously leased by Microsoft. Between December 2007 and December 2012, Autodesk subleased 45,795 square feet of space leased to Microsoft at The Landmark at One Market. We entered into a lease directly with Autodesk for Autodesk to take over this space upon the termination of Microsoft's lease in December 2012 at an initial annualized base rent of \$47.00 per square foot.
- (3) The earliest option termination date under this lease is September 1, 2013.
- (4) Foodland Super Market, Ltd. has ceased all operations in its leased premises and has subleased the premises to International Church of the Foursquare Gospel. Although we are currently collecting the rent for the leased premises, Foodland Super Market, Ltd.'s lease expires in 2014 and it is unlikely that it will renew its lease with us. We expect to collect the full amount remaining under the lease in accordance with its terms; however, there can be no assurances that we will do so.
- (5) The earliest option termination date under this lease is September 1, 2017.
- (6) The earliest option termination date under this lease is February 1, 2016.
- (7) McDermott Will & Emery has vacated this space in conjunction with its relocation to a new office building, and they have subleased a portion of this space. We will continue to collect rent from McDermott Will & Emery regardless of whether the remaining space is subleased. The lease has an early termination option on January 1, 2015.

Geographic Diversification

Our properties are located in Southern California, Northern California, Oregon, Washington, Texas and Hawaii. The following table shows the number of properties, the net rentable square feet and the percentage of total portfolio net rentable square footage in each region as of December 31, 2012. Our four multifamily properties are excluded from the table below and are all located in Southern California. The hotel portion of our mixed-use property is also excluded and is located in Hawaii.

Region	Number of Properties	Net Rentable Square Feet	Percentage of Net Rentable Square Feet ⁽¹⁾
Southern California	8	1,886,792	32.5%
Northern California	4	1,231,275	21.2
Oregon	2	966,642	16.6
Washington	1	490,508	8.4
Texas	1	589,501	10.1
Hawaii ⁽²⁾	3	646,201	11.1
Total	19	5,810,919	100.0%

(1) Percentage of Net Rentable Square Feet is calculated based on the total net rentable square feet available in our retail portfolio, office portfolio and the retail portion of our mixed-use portfolio.

(2) Includes the retail portion related to the mixed-use property.

Segment Diversification

The following table sets forth information regarding the total property operating income for each of our segments for the year ended December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands).

Segment	Number of Properties	Property Operating Income	Percentage of Property Operating Income
Retail	11	\$ 67,036	44.9%
Office	7	54,321	36.3
Mixed-Use	1	8,938	6.0
Multifamily	4	19,057	12.8

Total	23	\$ 149,352	100.0%
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Lease Expirations

The following table sets forth a summary schedule of the lease expirations for leases in place as of December 31, 2012, plus available space, for each of the ten calendar years beginning January 1, 2013 at the properties in our retail portfolio, office portfolio and the retail portion of our mixed-use portfolio. The square footage of available space includes the space from four leases that terminated on December 31, 2012. In 2013, we expect a similar level of leasing activity for new and expiring leases compared to prior years 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.

The lease expirations for our multifamily portfolio and the hotel portion of our mixed-use portfolio are excluded from this table because multifamily unit leases generally have lease terms ranging from 7 to 15 months, with a majority having 12-month lease terms, and because rooms in the hotel are rented on a nightly basis. The information set forth in the table assumes that tenants do not exercise any renewal options.

Year of Lease Expiration	Square Footage of Expiring Leases	Percentage of Portfolio Net Rentable Square Feet	Annualized Base Rent ⁽¹⁾	Percentage of Portfolio Annualized Base Rent	Annualized Base Rent Per Leased Square Foot ⁽²⁾
			\$	%	\$
Available	274,778	4.7%			
Month to Month	59,936	1.0	905,633	0.6	15.11
2013	517,447	8.9	15,414,746	9.6	29.79
2014	636,750	11.0	19,210,748	12.0	30.17
2015	641,066	11.0	20,905,162	13.1	32.61
2016	449,693	7.7	15,631,329	9.8	34.76
2017	643,725	11.1	21,564,788	13.5	33.50
2018	1,122,332	19.3	22,727,223	14.2	20.25
2019	335,523	5.8	12,431,127	7.8	37.05
2020	379,463	6.5	11,391,479	7.1	30.02
2021	241,303	4.2	8,648,300	5.3	35.84
2022	163,636	2.8	5,265,806	3.3	32.18
Thereafter	259,482	4.5	5,962,896	3.7	22.98
Signed Leases Not Commenced	85,785	1.5			
Total:	5,810,919	100.0%	\$ 160,059,237	100.0%	\$ 27.54

(1) Annualized base rent is calculated by multiplying base rental payments (defined as cash base rents (before abatements)) for the month ended December 31, 2012 for the leases expiring during the applicable period, by 12.

(2) Annualized base rent per leased square foot is calculated by dividing annualized base rent for leases expiring during the applicable period by square footage under such expiring leases.

ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are not currently a party, as plaintiff or defendant, to any legal proceedings that we believe to be material or which, individually or in the aggregate, would be expected to have a material effect on our business, financial condition or results of operation if determined adversely to us. We may be subject to on-going litigation, including existing claims relating to American Assets, Inc., certain prior direct and indirect owners of our portfolio and the properties comprising our portfolio and we expect to otherwise be party from time to time to various lawsuits, claims and other legal proceedings that arise in the ordinary course of our business.

ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

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Shares of our common stock began trading on the NYSE under the symbol AAT on January 13, 2011. Prior to that time there was no public market for our common stock. On February 15, 2013, the reported close sale price per share was \$29.66.

Period	Per Share Price		Dividend per Common Share
	Low	High	
First Quarter (January 13 - March 31) 2011	\$ 20.45	\$ 22.00	\$ 0.17
Second Quarter 2011	\$ 21.10	\$ 23.34	\$ 0.21
Third Quarter 2011	\$ 17.73	\$ 23.25	\$ 0.21
Fourth Quarter 2011	\$ 16.47	\$ 21.66	\$ 0.21
First Quarter 2012	\$ 19.92	\$ 23.11	\$ 0.21
Second Quarter 2012	\$ 22.16	\$ 24.25	\$ 0.21
Third Quarter 2012	\$ 24.63	\$ 28.00	\$ 0.21
Fourth Quarter 2012	\$ 26.03	\$ 28.41	\$ 0.21

On February 15, 2013, we had 49 stockholders of record of our common stock. Certain shares are held in street name and accordingly, the number of beneficial owners of such shares is not known or included in the foregoing number.

Distribution Policy

We pay and intend to continue to pay regular quarterly dividends to holders of our common stock and to make dividend distributions that will enable us to meet the distribution requirements applicable to REITs and to eliminate or minimize our obligation to pay income and excise taxes. Dividend amounts depend on our available cash flows, financial condition and capital requirements, the annual distribution requirements under the REIT provisions of the Code and such other factors as our board of directors deems relevant.

Recent Sales of Unregistered Equity Securities; Use of Proceeds from Registered Securities

On January 19, 2011, we completed our initial public offering, a sale of 31,625,000 shares of common stock at an offering price of \$20.50 per share pursuant to (1) a Registration Statement on Form S-11, as amended (Reg. No. 333-169326) that was declared effective by the SEC on January 12, 2011 and (2) an immediately effective Registration Statement on Form S-11 (Reg. No. 333-171680) filed with the SEC on January 13, 2011 pursuant to Rule 462(b) of the Securities Act. Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated acted as joint book-running managers for our initial public offering and as representatives of the underwriters. We received net proceeds from our initial public offering of approximately \$594.6 million, reflecting the gross proceeds of \$648.3 million, net of underwriting fees of \$45.4 million and offering expenses of \$8.3 million.

We contributed the net proceeds of our initial public offering to our Operating Partnership in exchange for common units and our Operating Partnership used the net proceeds received from us as described below:

approximately \$342.0 million to repay in full certain outstanding indebtedness, including applicable prepayment costs, exit fees and defeasance costs of \$24.3 million;

\$10.8 million for loan transfer and consent fees and credit facility origination fees;

approximately \$6.1 million to pay non-accredited prior investors in connection with the Formation Transactions;

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approximately \$7.6 million for tenant improvements and leasing commissions at The Landmark at One Market; and

approximately \$0.9 million for the renovation of Solana Beach Towne Centre.

We utilized the remaining proceeds for general corporate purposes, including working capital, acquisitions, transfer taxes and paying distributions. This use of proceeds does not represent a material change from the use of proceeds described in the final prospectus we filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) of the Securities Act with the SEC on January 14, 2011.

We invested the net proceeds in a money market account and Government National Mortgage Association, or GNMA, securities in a manner that was consistent with our intention to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes. On August 20, 2012, we sold all of our outstanding GNMA securities to help finance our acquisition of City Center Bellevue.

Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer and Affiliated Purchasers

No equity securities were purchased by us during 2012.

Equity Compensation Plan Information

Information about our equity compensation plans is incorporated by reference in Item 12 of Part III of this annual report on Form 10-K.

Stock Performance Graph

The information below shall not be deemed to be soliciting material or to be filed with the SEC or subject to Regulation 14A or 14C, other than as provided in Item 201 of Regulation S-K, or to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, except to the extent we specifically request that such information be treated as soliciting material or specifically incorporate it by reference into a filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act.

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The following graph shows our cumulative total stockholder return for the period beginning with the initial listing of our common stock on the NYSE on January 13, 2011 and ending on December 31, 2012. The graph assumes a \$100 investment in each of the indices on January 13, 2011 and the reinvestment of all dividends. The graph also shows the cumulative total returns of the Standard & Poor's 500 Stock Index, or S&P 500 Index, and an industry peer group, SNL US REIT Equity Index. Note that historic stock price performance is not necessarily indicative of future stock price performance.

ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following table sets forth summary selected financial and operating data on a historical combined basis for the Company and for our Predecessor prior to our initial public offering and American Assets Trust, Inc. prior to our initial public offering. Our Predecessor was comprised of certain entities and their consolidated subsidiaries that, prior to the completion of the Formation Transactions, owned directly or indirectly 17 retail, office and multifamily properties, and unconsolidated equity interests in four retail, mixed-use and office properties. We refer to these entities and their subsidiaries as the ownership entities. Prior to the completion of the Formation Transactions, each of the ownership entities owned, directly or indirectly, one or more retail, office, mixed-use or multifamily property. Upon completion of our initial public offering and the Formation Transactions, we acquired the 17 retail, office and multifamily properties owned directly or indirectly by our Predecessor, as well our Predecessor's unconsolidated equity interests in three other retail, office and mixed-use properties, and assumed the ownership and operation of its business. As a result of the completion of the Formation Transactions we have acquired direct or indirect ownership of a total of 20 retail, office, mixed-use and multifamily properties. Subsequently, we sold two office properties and acquired four other office properties and one retail property.

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You should read the following summary selected financial data in conjunction with Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data. The following data is in thousands, except per share and share data.

	American Assets Trust, Inc.		Predecessor		
	2012	2011	Year Ended December 31,		2008
	2010	2009	2008		
Statement of Operations Data:					
Revenue:					
Rental income	\$ 225,249	\$ 194,168	\$ 115,165	\$ 102,831	\$ 107,178
Other property income	10,217	8,617	2,583	4,615	4,159
Total revenues	235,466	202,785	117,748	107,446	111,337
Expenses:					
Rental expenses	64,089	58,133	20,520	17,900	19,484
Real estate taxes	22,025	18,746	11,688	7,158	9,968
General and administrative	15,593	13,627	8,699	6,950	8,603
Depreciation and amortization	61,853	55,936	34,419	26,365	27,460
Total operating expenses	163,560	146,442	75,326	58,373	65,515
Operating income	71,906	56,343	42,422	49,073	45,822
Interest expense	(57,328)	(54,580)	(43,251)	(39,818)	(39,719)
Early extinguishment of debt		(25,867)			
Loan transfer and consent fees		(8,808)			
Gain on acquisition		46,371	4,297		
Other income (expense), net	(629)	212	(1,846)	(4,707)	(18,155)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	13,949	13,671	1,622	4,548	(12,052)
Discontinued operations:					
Loss (gain) from discontinued operations	932	1,672	552	691	(2,078)
Gain on sale of real estate property	36,720	3,981			2,625
Results from discontinued operations	37,652	5,653	552	691	547
Net income (loss)	51,601	19,324	2,174	5,239	(11,505)
Net income attributable to restricted shares	(529)	(482)			
Net loss attributable to Predecessor's noncontrolling interests in consolidated real estate entities		2,458	2,205	1,205	4,488
Net (income) loss attributable to Predecessor's controlled owners' equity		(16,995)	(4,379)	(6,444)	7,017
Net loss attributable to unitholders in the Operating Partnership	(16,133)	(1,388)			
Net income attributable to American Assets Trust, Inc. stockholders	\$ 34,939	\$ 2,917	\$	\$	\$
Income from continuing operations attributable to common stockholders per share					
Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$ 0.24	\$ (0.02)			
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$ 0.24	\$ (0.02)			
Net income attributable to common stockholders per share					
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.90	\$ 0.08			

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Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.90	\$ 0.08
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding basic	38,736,113	36,748,806
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding diluted	57,053,909	54,219,807
Dividends declared per share	\$ 0.84	\$ 0.80

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	American Assets Trust, Inc.		Predecessor		
	2012	2011	Year Ended December 31,		
			2010	2009	2008
Balance Sheet Data:					
Net real estate	\$ 1,668,182	\$ 1,403,946	\$ 867,316	\$ 696,679	\$ 713,278
Total assets	1,827,587	1,709,281	1,117,357	938,991	971,118
Notes payable	1,044,682	912,067	830,468	677,797	685,579
Total liabilities	1,141,858	1,029,553	962,236	768,028	781,944
Stockholders' equity and owner's equity	638,361	626,031	121,874	133,173	148,864
Noncontrolling interests	47,368	53,697	33,247	37,790	40,310
Total equity	685,729	679,728	155,121	170,963	189,174
Total liabilities and equity	1,827,587	1,709,281	1,117,357	938,991	971,118
Other Data:					
Funds from operations (FFO) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 77,892	\$ 74,574	\$ 55,120	\$ 51,840	\$ 47,421
FFO attributable to common stock and units	77,538	57,285			

- (1) We present FFO because we consider FFO an important supplemental measure of our operating performance and believe it is frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in the evaluation of REITs, many of which present FFO when reporting their results. We calculate FFO in accordance with the standards established by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, or NAREIT. FFO represents net income (loss) (computed in accordance with GAAP), excluding gains (or losses) from sales of depreciable operating property, impairment losses, real estate related depreciation and amortization (excluding amortization of deferred financing costs) and after adjustments for unconsolidated partnerships and joint ventures. FFO is a supplemental non-GAAP financial measure. Management uses FFO as a supplemental performance measure because it believes that FFO is beneficial to investors as a starting point in measuring our operational performance. Specifically, in excluding real estate related depreciation and amortization and gains and losses from property dispositions, which do not relate to or are not indicative of operating performance, FFO provides a performance measure that, when compared year over year, captures trends in occupancy rates, rental rates and operating costs. We also believe that, as a widely recognized measure of the performance of REITs, FFO will be used by investors as a basis to compare our operating performance with that of other REITs. However, because FFO excludes depreciation and amortization and captures neither the changes in the value of our properties that result from use or market conditions nor the level of capital expenditures and leasing commissions necessary to maintain the operating performance of our properties, all of which have real economic effects and could materially impact our results from operations, the utility of FFO as a measure of our performance is limited. In addition, other equity REITs may not calculate FFO in accordance with the NAREIT definition as we do, and, accordingly, our FFO may not be comparable to such other REITs' FFO. Accordingly, FFO should be considered only as a supplement to net income as a measure of our performance. FFO should not be used as a measure of our liquidity, nor is it indicative of funds available to fund our cash needs, including our ability to pay dividends or service indebtedness. FFO also should not be used as a supplement to or substitute for cash flow from operating activities computed in accordance with GAAP.

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The following table sets forth a reconciliation of our FFO to net income, the nearest GAAP equivalent, for the periods presented (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Net income (loss)	\$ 51,601	\$ 19,324	\$ 2,174	\$ 5,239	\$ (11,505)
Plus: Real estate depreciation and amortization (including discounted operations)	63,011	58,543	37,642	29,858	31,089
Plus: Depreciation and amortization on unconsolidated ⁽¹⁾ real estate joint ventures (pro rata)		688	15,304	16,743	14,626
Plus: Impairment of investment in real estate joint ventures					15,836
Less: Gain on sale of real estate	(36,720)	(3,981)			(2,625)
Funds from operations, as defined by NAREIT	77,892	74,574	55,120	51,840	47,421
Less: FFO attributable to Predecessor s controlled and noncontrolled owners equity		(16,973)	(55,120)	(51,840)	(47,421)
Less: Nonforfeitable dividends on restricted stock awards	(354)	(316)			
FFO attributable to common stock and units	\$ 77,538	\$ 57,285	\$	\$	\$

(1) Includes depreciation and amortization of our discontinued operations.

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ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the audited historical consolidated financial statements and notes thereto appearing in Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data of this report. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires, we, us, our, and our company mean American Assets Trust, Inc., a Maryland corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries, following completion of our initial public offering and the Formation Transactions and our Predecessor for the periods presented prior to the initial public offering. This discussion may contain forward-looking statements based upon current expectations that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results may differ materially from those anticipated in these forward looking statements as a result of various factors, including those set forth under Item 1A. Risk Factors or elsewhere in this document. See Item 1A. Risk Factors and Forward-Looking Statements.

Overview

Our Company

We are a full service, vertically integrated and self-administered REIT that owns, operates, acquires and develops high quality retail, office, multifamily and mixed-use properties in attractive, high-barrier-to-entry markets in Southern California, Northern California, Oregon, Washington, Texas, and Hawaii. As of December 31, 2012, our portfolio was comprised of eleven retail shopping centers; seven office properties; a mixed-use property consisting of a 369-room all-suite hotel and a retail shopping center; and four multifamily properties. Additionally, as of December 31, 2012, we owned land at five of our properties that we classified as held for development. Our core markets include San Diego, the San Francisco Bay Area, Portland, Oregon, Bellevue, Washington and Oahu, Hawaii. We are a Maryland corporation formed on July 16, 2010 to acquire the entities owning various controlling and noncontrolling interests in real estate assets owned and/or managed by Ernest S. Rady or his affiliates, including the Rady Trust, and did not have any operating activity until the consummation of our initial public offering and the related acquisition of our Predecessor on January 19, 2011. After the completion of our initial public offering and the Formation Transactions on January 19, 2011, our operations have been carried on through our Operating Partnership. Our company, as the sole general partner of our Operating Partnership, has control of our Operating Partnership and owned 68.4% of our Operating Partnership as of December 31, 2012. Accordingly, we consolidate the assets, liabilities and results of operations of our Operating Partnership.

Our Predecessor

Our Predecessor included (1) entities owned and/or controlled by Mr. Rady and his affiliates, including the Rady Trust, which in turn owned controlling interests in 17 properties and the property management business of American Assets, Inc., or the controlled entities, and (2) noncontrolling interests in entities owning four properties, or the noncontrolled entities. Our Predecessor accounted for its investment in the noncontrolled entities under the equity method of accounting.

Prior to June 30, 2010, the noncontrolled entities owned an office property located in San Francisco, California referred to as The Landmark at One Market. We refer to the entities owning The Landmark at One Market as the Landmark entities. The outside ownership interest in the Landmark entities was acquired by our Predecessor on June 30, 2010 for a cash payment of \$23.0 million. As of June 30, 2010, The Landmark at One Market was controlled by our Predecessor. All but one of the properties owned by the controlled entities and noncontrolled entities were managed by American Assets, Inc., an entity controlled by Mr. Rady. The noncontrolled entities managed by American Assets, Inc. include the entities that owned Solana Beach Towne Centre and Solana Beach Corporate Centre, or the Solana Beach Centre entities, and the entity that owned the Fireman's Fund Headquarters office property. The remaining property not managed by American Assets, Inc. is Waikiki Beach Walk, which is managed by Outrigger Hotels & Resorts. We refer to ABW Lewers LLC and the Waikiki Beach Walk-Embassy Suites, the entities that owned this non-American Assets, Inc. managed property, as the Waikiki Beach Walk entities.

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For the periods after January, 19, 2011, the date of the consummation of our initial public offering and the Formation Transactions, our operations have included the consolidated results of operations of the noncontrolled entities, excluding the Fireman's Fund Headquarters office property, which was not acquired by us. Since our initial public offering and the Formation Transactions occurred on January 19, 2011, the results of operations and financial condition for the entities acquired by us in connection with our initial public offering and related Formation Transactions are not included in certain historical financial statements. More specifically, our results of operations and financial condition for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 reflect the results of operations and financial condition for our Predecessor. Our results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 reflect the results of operation and financial condition for our Predecessor together with the entities we acquired at the time of our initial public offering, namely, the Waikiki Beach Walk entities and the Solana Beach Centre entities, as well as Geary Marketplace, City Center Bellevue, One Beach Street, First & Main, Lloyd District Portfolio, and Solana Beach Highway 101, each acquired subsequent to our initial public offering and discussed in more detail under *Acquisitions and Dispositions*. The results of operations for each of these acquisitions are included in our consolidated statements of operations only from the date of acquisition. Additionally, in August 2011, we sold Valencia Corporate Center, and in December 2012, we sold 160 King Street. As such, we have reclassified our financial statements for all periods prior to the sales to reflect Valencia Corporate Center and 160 King Street as discontinued operations.

Formation Transactions

On January 19, 2011, concurrently with the completion of our initial public offering, we completed a series of formation transactions pursuant to which we acquired, through a series of merger and contribution transactions, 100% of the ownership interests in the controlled entities, the Waikiki Beach Walk entities and the Solana Beach Centre entities (including our Predecessor's ownership interest in these entities). We did not acquire our Predecessor's noncontrolling 25% ownership interest in Novato FF Venture, LLC, the entity that owns Fireman's Fund Headquarters. In the aggregate, these interests comprise our ownership of our property portfolio.

To acquire the ownership interests in the entities that owned the properties included in our portfolio from their prior investors, we issued to such prior investors an aggregate of 7,030,084 shares of our common stock and 18,145,039 common units, with an aggregate value of \$516.1 million, and we paid \$6.1 million in cash to those prior investors that were non-accredited. Cash amounts were provided from the net proceeds of our initial public offering. The acquisition of these ownership interests was effected substantially concurrently with the completion of our initial public offering.

The net proceeds from our initial public offering were approximately \$594.6 million (after deducting the underwriting discount and commissions and expenses of our initial public offering and the Formation Transactions). We contributed the net proceeds of the offering to our Operating Partnership in exchange for common units. Upon completion of our initial public offering, we entered into a \$250.0 million revolving credit facility. In connection with our initial public offering, we repaid \$342.0 million of indebtedness (including \$24.3 million of defeasance costs), paid \$6.1 million in cash to those prior investors that were non-accredited, and paid \$10.8 million for loan transfer and consent fees and credit facility origination fees. Subsequently, we paid \$7.6 million to fund tenant improvements and leasing commissions at The Landmark at One Market and \$0.9 million for costs related to the renovation of Solana Beach Towne Centre. We utilized remaining net proceeds for general corporate purposes, including working capital, acquisitions, transfer taxes and paying distributions. Since the completion of our initial public offering and consummation of the Formation Transactions, our operations have been carried on through our Operating Partnership and subsidiaries of our Operating Partnership, including our taxable REIT subsidiary. Consummation of the Formation Transactions enabled us to (1) consolidate the ownership of our property portfolio under our Operating Partnership; (2) succeed to the property management business of American Assets, Inc.; and (3) facilitate our initial public offering. As a result, we are a vertically integrated and self-administered REIT providing substantial in-house expertise in asset management, property

management, property development, leasing, tenant improvement construction, acquisitions, repositioning, redevelopment and financing.

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We determined that with respect to the Formation Transactions the Predecessor is the acquirer for accounting purposes, and therefore the contribution or acquisition by merger of interests in the controlled entities was considered a transaction between entities under common control since our Executive Chairman, Ernest S. Rady, or his affiliates, including the Rady Trust, owned the controlling interest in each of the entities comprising the Predecessor, which, in turn, owned a controlling interest in each of the controlled entities. As a result, the acquisition of interests in each of the controlled entities was recorded at our historical cost.

The contribution or acquisition by merger of interests in certain of the noncontrolled entities, which include the Waikiki Beach Walk entities and the Solana Beach Centre entities (including our Predecessor's ownership interest in these noncontrolled entities), was accounted for as an acquisition under the acquisition method of accounting and recognized at the estimated fair value of acquired assets and assumed liabilities on January 19, 2011, the date of the completion of the Formation Transactions. The acquisition of the ownership interests in the Landmark entities by the Predecessor was accounted for under the acquisition method of accounting on June 30, 2010 and was recorded at the Predecessor's historical cost when we acquired it on January 19, 2011 upon the consummation of the Formation Transactions.

The fair value of these assets and liabilities has been allocated in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification, or ASC, Section 805-10, *Business Combinations*. Our methodology of allocating the cost of acquisitions to assets acquired and liabilities assumed was based on estimated fair values, replacement cost and appraised values. We estimated the fair value of acquired tangible assets (consisting of land, building and improvements), identified intangible assets and liabilities (consisting of acquired above market leases, acquired in-place lease value and acquired below market leases) and assumed debt.

Based on these estimates, we allocated the purchase price to the applicable assets and liabilities. The value allocated to in-place leases will be amortized over the related lease term and reflected as depreciation and amortization. The value of above and below market in-place leases will be amortized over the related lease term and reflected as either an increase (for below market leases) or a decrease (for above market leases) to rental income. The fair value of the debt assumed was determined using current market interest rates for comparable debt financings.

Taxable REIT Subsidiary

As part of the Formation Transactions, on November 5, 2010, we formed American Assets Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation that is wholly owned by our Operating Partnership and which we refer to as our services company. We have elected, together with our services company, to treat our services company as a taxable REIT subsidiary for federal income tax purposes. A taxable REIT subsidiary generally may provide non-customary and other services to our tenants and engage in activities that we may not engage in directly without adversely affecting our qualification as a REIT, provided a taxable REIT subsidiary may not operate or manage a lodging facility or provide rights to any brand name under which any lodging facility is operated. We may form additional taxable REIT subsidiaries in the future, and our Operating Partnership may contribute some or all of its interests in certain wholly owned subsidiaries or their assets to our services company. Any income earned by our taxable REIT subsidiaries will not be included in our taxable income for purposes of the 75% or 95% gross income tests, except to the extent such income is distributed to us as a dividend, in which case such dividend income will qualify under the 95%, but not the 75%, gross income test. Because a taxable REIT subsidiary is subject to federal income tax, and state and local income tax (where applicable) as a regular corporation, the income earned by our taxable REIT subsidiaries generally will be subject to an additional level of tax as compared to the income earned by our other subsidiaries.

Revenue Base

Upon consummation of our initial public offering and the Formation Transactions, we acquired from our Predecessor and the noncontrolled entities an aggregate of 20 properties comprising approximately 3.0 million rentable square feet of retail space, 1.5 million rentable square feet of office space, a mixed-use asset comprised

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of approximately 97,000 rentable square feet of retail space and a 369-room all-suite hotel, and 922 multifamily units (including 122 RV spaces), which collectively comprised our initial portfolio. Subsequently, we acquired two operating office projects in Portland, Oregon, one operating office project in San Francisco, California, one operating office project in Bellevue, Washington, one operating retail project in Walnut Creek, California and sold one office project in Valencia, California and one office project in San Francisco, California. See further discussion in the Acquisitions and Dispositions section below. The properties in our portfolio are located in Southern California, Northern California, Portland, Oregon, Oahu, Hawaii, Bellevue, Washington and San Antonio, Texas.

Rental income consists of scheduled rent charges, straight-line rent adjustments and the amortization of above market and below market rents acquired. We also derive revenue from tenant recoveries and other property revenues, including parking income, lease termination fees, late fees, storage rents and other miscellaneous property revenues.

Retail Leases. Our retail portfolio included eleven properties with a total of approximately 3.1 million rentable square feet available for lease as of December 31, 2012. As of December 31, 2012, these properties were 97.0% leased. For the year ended December 31, 2012, the retail segment contributed 39.1%, of our total revenue. Historically, we have leased retail properties to tenants primarily on a triple-net lease basis, and we expect to continue to do so in the future. In a triple-net lease, the tenant is responsible for all property taxes and operating expenses. As such, the base rent payment does not include any operating expense, but rather all such expenses, to the extent they are paid by the landlord, are billed to the tenant. The full amount of the expenses for this lease type, to the extent they are paid by the landlord, is reflected in operating expenses, and the reimbursement is reflected in tenant recoveries.

During the year ended December 31, 2012, we signed 67 retail leases for 277,968 square feet with an average rent of \$31.40 per square foot during the initial year of the lease term. Of the leases, 56 represent comparable leases where there was a prior tenant, with an increase of 2.0% in cash basis rent and an increase of 13.2% in straight-line rent compared to the prior leases.

Office Leases. Our office portfolio included seven properties with a total of approximately 2.6 million rentable square feet available for lease as of December 31, 2012. As of December 31, 2012, these properties were 93.3% leased. For the year ended December 31, 2012, the office segment contributed 33.2% of our total revenue. Historically, we have leased office properties to tenants primarily on a full service gross or a modified gross basis and to a limited extent on a triple-net lease basis. We expect to continue to do so in the future. A full-service gross or modified gross lease has a base year expense stop, whereby the tenant pays a stated amount of certain expenses as part of the rent payment, while future increases in property operating expenses (above the base year stop) are billed to the tenant based on such tenant's proportionate square footage of the property. The increased property operating expenses billed are reflected as operating expenses and amounts recovered from tenants are reflected as rental income in the statements of operations.

During the year ended December 31, 2012, we signed 68 office leases for 336,865 square feet with an average rent of \$35.39 per square foot during the initial year of the lease term. Of the leases, 52 represent comparable leases where there was a prior tenant, with an increase of 11.4% in cash basis rent and an increase of 19.9% in straight-line rent compared to the prior leases.

Multifamily Leases. Our multifamily portfolio included three apartment properties, as well as an RV resort, with a total of 922 units (including 122 RV spaces) available for lease as of December 31, 2012. As of December 31, 2012, these properties were 94.7% leased. For the year ended December 31, 2012, the multifamily segment contributed 6.3% of our total revenue. Our multifamily leases, other than at our RV Resort, generally have lease terms ranging from 7 to 15 months, with a majority having 12-month lease terms. Tenants normally pay a base rental amount, usually quoted in terms of a monthly rate for the respective unit. Spaces at the RV Resort can be rented at a daily, weekly, or monthly rate. The average monthly base rent per leased unit as of December 31, 2012 was \$1,399 compared to \$1,404 at December 31, 2011.

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Mixed-Use Property Revenue. Our mixed-use property consists of approximately 97,000 rentable square feet of retail space and a 369-room all-suite hotel. Revenue from the mixed-use property consists of revenue earned from retail leases, and revenue earned from the hotel, which consists of room revenue, food and beverage services, parking and other guest services. As of December 31, 2012, the retail portion of the property was 95.5% leased, and for the year ended December 31, 2012, the hotel had an average occupancy of 88.9%. For the year ended December 31, 2012, the mixed-use segment contributed 21.5%, of our total revenue. We have leased the retail portion of such property to tenants primarily on a triple-net lease basis, and we expect to continue to do so in the future. As such, the base rent payment under such leases does not include any operating expenses, but rather all such expenses, to the extent they are paid by the landlord, are billed to the tenant. Rooms at the hotel portion of our mixed-use property are rented on a nightly basis.

Critical Accounting Policies

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with 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 and current events and economic conditions. In addition, information relied upon by management in preparing such estimates includes internally generated financial and operating information, external market information, when available, and when necessary, information obtained from consultations with third party experts. Actual results could differ from these estimates. A discussion of possible risks which may affect these estimates is included in the section above entitled "Item 1A. Risk Factors." Management considers an accounting estimate to be critical if changes in the estimate could have a material impact on our consolidated results of operations or financial condition.

Our significant accounting policies are more fully described in the notes to the consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this report; however, the most critical accounting policies, which involve the use of estimates and assumptions as to future uncertainties and, therefore, may result in actual amounts that differ from estimates, are as follows:

Revenue Recognition and Accounts Receivable

Our leases with tenants are classified as operating leases. Substantially all such leases contain fixed rent escalations which occur at specified times during the term of the lease. Base rents are recognized on a straight-line basis from when the tenant controls the space through the term of the related lease, net of valuation adjustments, based on management's assessment of credit, collection and other business risks. Percentage rents, which represent additional rents based upon the level of sales achieved by certain tenants, are recognized at the end of the lease year or earlier if we have determined the required sales level is achieved and the percentage rents are collectible. Real estate tax and other cost reimbursements are recognized on an accrual basis over the periods in which the related expenditures are incurred. We recognize revenue on the hotel portion of our mixed-use property from the rental of hotel rooms and guest services when the rooms are occupied and services have been provided.

Other property income includes parking income, general excise tax billed to tenants, fees charged to tenants at our multifamily properties and food and beverage sales at the hotel. Other property income is recognized when earned. For a tenant to terminate its lease agreement prior to the end of the agreed term, we may require that they pay a fee to cancel the lease agreement. Lease termination fees for which the tenant has relinquished control of the space are generally recognized on the termination date. When a lease is terminated early but the tenant continues to control the space under a modified lease agreement, the lease termination fee is generally recognized evenly over the remaining term of the modified lease agreement.

Current accounts receivable from tenants primarily relate to contractual minimum rent and percentage rent as well as real estate tax and other cost reimbursements. Accounts receivable from straight-line rent is typically longer term in nature and relates to the cumulative amount by which straight-line rental income recorded to date exceeds cash rents billed to date under the contractual lease agreement.

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We make estimates of the collectability of our current accounts receivable and straight-line rents receivable which requires significant judgment by management. The collectability of receivables is affected by numerous different factors including current economic conditions, bankruptcies, the status of collectability of current cash rents receivable, tenants' recent and historical financial and operating results, changes in our tenants' credit ratings, communications between our operating personnel and tenants, the extent of security deposits and letters of credits held with respect to tenants, and the ability of the tenant to perform under the terms of their lease agreement. While we make estimates of potentially uncollectible amounts and provide an allowance for them through bad debt expense, actual collectability could differ from those estimates which could affect our net income. With respect to the allowance for current uncollectible tenant receivables, we assess the collectability of outstanding receivables by evaluating such factors as nature and age of the receivable, past history and current financial condition of the specific tenant including our assessment of the tenant's ability to meet its contractual lease obligations, and the status of any pending disputes or lease negotiations with the tenant. A change in the estimate of collectability of a receivable would result in a change to our allowance for doubtful accounts and corresponding bad debt expense and net income.

Additionally, our assessment of our tenants' abilities to meet their contractual lease obligations includes consideration of the status of collectability of current cash rents receivable, tenants' recent and historical financial and operating results, changes in our tenants' credit ratings, communications between our operating personnel and tenants and the extent of security deposits and letters of credits held with respect to tenants.

Due to the nature of the accounts receivable from straight-line rents, the collection period of these amounts typically extends beyond one year. Our experience relative to unbilled straight-line rents is that a portion of the amounts otherwise recognizable as revenue is never billed to or collected from tenants due to early lease terminations, lease modifications, bankruptcies and other factors. Accordingly, the extended collection period for straight-line rents along with our evaluation of tenant credit risk may result in the nonrecognition of a portion of straight-line rental income until the collection of such income is reasonably assured. If our evaluation of tenant credit risk changes indicating more straight-line revenue is reasonably collectible than previously estimated and realized, the additional straight-line rental income is recognized as revenue. If our evaluation of tenant credit risk changes indicating a portion of realized straight-line rental income is no longer collectible, a reserve and bad debt expense is recorded. Correspondingly, these estimates of collectability have a direct impact on our net income.

Real Estate

Depreciation and maintenance costs relating to our properties constitute substantial costs for us. Land, buildings and improvements are recorded at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method. Estimated useful lives range generally from 30 years to a maximum of 40 years on buildings and major improvements. Minor improvements, furniture and equipment are capitalized and depreciated over useful lives ranging from 3 to 15 years. Maintenance and repairs that do not improve or extend the useful lives of the related assets are charged to operations as incurred. Tenant improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the life of the related lease or their estimated useful life, whichever is shorter. If a tenant vacates its space prior to contractual termination of its lease, the undepreciated balance of any tenant improvements are written off if they are replaced or have no future value. Our estimates of useful lives have a direct impact on our net income. If expected useful lives of our real estate assets were shortened, we would depreciate the assets over a shorter time period, resulting in an increase to depreciation expense and a corresponding decrease to net income on an annual basis.

Acquisitions of properties are accounted for in accordance with the authoritative accounting guidance on acquisitions and business combinations. Our methodology of allocating the cost of acquisitions to assets acquired and liabilities assumed is based on estimated fair values, replacement cost and appraised values. When we acquire operating real estate properties, the purchase price is allocated to land and buildings, intangibles such as in-place leases, and to current assets and liabilities acquired, if any. Such valuations include a consideration of the noncancelable terms of the respective leases as well as any applicable renewal period(s). The fair values associated with below market renewal options are determined based on a review of several qualitative and

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quantitative factors on a lease-by-lease basis at acquisition to determine whether it is probable that the tenant would exercise its option to renew the lease agreement. These factors include: (1) the type of tenant in relation to the property it occupies, (2) the quality of the tenant, including the tenant's long term business prospects, and (3) whether the fixed rate renewal option was sufficiently lower than the fair rental of the property at the date the option becomes exercisable such that it would appear to be reasonably assured that the tenant would exercise the option to renew. Each of these estimates requires a great deal of judgment, and some of the estimates involve complex calculations. These allocation assessments have a direct impact on our results of operations because if we were to allocate more value to land, there would be no depreciation with respect to such amount. If we were to allocate more value to the buildings, as opposed to allocating to the value of tenant leases, this amount would be recognized as an expense over a much longer period of time, since the amounts allocated to buildings are depreciated over the estimated lives of the buildings whereas amounts allocated to tenant leases are amortized over the remaining terms of the leases.

The value allocated to in-place leases is amortized over the related lease term and reflected as depreciation and amortization in the statement of operations. The value of above and below market leases associated with the original noncancelable lease terms are amortized to rental income over the terms of the respective noncancelable lease periods and are reflected as either an increase (for below market leases) or a decrease (for above market leases) to rental income in the statement of operations. If a tenant vacates its space prior to contractual termination of its lease or the lease is not renewed, the unamortized balance of any in-place lease value is written off to rental income and amortization expense. The value of the leases associated with below market lease renewal options that are likely to be exercised are amortized to rental income over the respective renewal periods. We make assumptions and estimates related to below market lease renewal options, which impact revenue in the period in which the renewal options are exercised and could result in significant increases to revenue if the renewal options are not exercised at which time the related below market lease liabilities would be written off as an increase to revenue.

Capitalized Costs

We capitalize certain costs related to the development and redevelopment of real estate including pre-construction costs, real estate taxes, insurance and construction costs and salaries and related costs of personnel directly involved. Additionally, we capitalize interest costs related to development and significant redevelopment activities. Capitalization of these costs begins when the activities and related expenditures commence and cease when the project is substantially complete and ready for its intended use, at which time the project is placed in service and depreciation commences. Additionally, we make estimates as to the probability of certain development and redevelopment projects being completed. If we determine that the completion of development or redevelopment is no longer probable, we expense all capitalized costs which are not recoverable.

Certain external and internal costs directly related to the development and redevelopment 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 capitalize costs under development until construction is substantially complete and the property is held available for occupancy. The determination of when a development project is substantially complete and when capitalization must cease involves a degree of judgment. We consider a construction project as substantially complete and held available for occupancy upon the completion of landlord-owned tenant improvements or when the lessee takes possession of the unimproved space for construction of its own improvements, but not later than one year from cessation of major construction activity. We cease capitalization on the portion substantially completed and occupied or held available for occupancy, and capitalize only those costs associated with any remaining portion under construction.

We capitalized external and internal costs related to both development and redevelopment activities combined of \$7.9 million and \$2.0 million, for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

We capitalized external and internal costs related to other property improvements of \$27.4 million and none, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2012 and \$8.8 million and none, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2011.

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The amount of capitalized internal costs for salaries and related benefits for development and redevelopment activities and other property improvements was \$0.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. For the year ended December 31, 2011, we did not allocate salaries or related personnel costs to any assets and there was no payroll that was capitalized or deferred because we had no projects under active development, redevelopment, or construction other than ongoing tenant improvements. Additionally, the amount of time devoted by internal personnel to pre-construction activities in 2011 was immaterial.

Interest costs on developments and major redevelopments are capitalized as part of developments and redevelopments not yet placed in service. Capitalization of interest commences when development activities and expenditures begin and end upon completion, which is when the asset is ready for its intended use as noted above. We make judgments as to the time period over which to capitalize such costs and these assumptions have a direct impact on net income because capitalized costs are not subtracted in calculating net income. If the time period for capitalizing interest is extended, more interest is capitalized, thereby decreasing interest expense and increasing net income during that period. We capitalized interest costs related to both development and redevelopment activities combined of \$0.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. During 2011 and 2010, our primary capital expenditures related to tenant improvements and capital improvements at our existing operating properties which are currently leased to tenants, and we do not capitalize interest to those properties that are currently in use. We had no properties under active construction or placed into service during 2011 and 2010.

Segment capital expenditures for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 are as follows:

Segment	Year Ended December 31, 2012					
	Tenant Improvements and Leasing Commissions	Maintenance Capital Expenditures	Total Tenant Improvements, Leasing Commissions and Maintenance Capital Expenditures	Redevelopment and Expansions	New Development	Total Capital Expenditures
Retail Portfolio	10,114	1,962	12,076	1,905	230	14,211
Office Portfolio	13,882	3,249	17,131	1,993	3,012	22,136
Multifamily Portfolio		964	964			964
Mixed-Use Portfolio	36	691	727			727
Total	24,032	6,866	30,898	3,898	3,242	38,038

Segment	Year Ended December 31, 2011					
	Tenant Improvements and Leasing Commissions	Maintenance Capital Expenditures	Total Tenant Improvements, Leasing Commissions and Maintenance Capital Expenditures	Redevelopment and Expansions	New Development	Total Capital Expenditures
Retail Portfolio	2,296	1,700	3,996	1,052	62	5,110
Office Portfolio	4,290	806	5,096		908	6,004
Multifamily Portfolio		615	615			615
Mixed-Use Portfolio	49	1,443	1,492			1,492
Total	6,635	4,564	11,199	1,052	970	13,221

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The increase in tenant improvements and leasing commissions in our retail portfolio is primarily related to new leases at Carmel Mountain Plaza, Del Monte Center, Waikele Center and Alamo Quarry Market. The increase in tenant improvements and leasing commissions in our office portfolio is primarily related to completion of tenant improvements at The Landmark at One Market and the acquisition of One Beach Street in January 2012 and City Center Bellevue in August 2012.

The increase in maintenance capital expenditures in our office portfolio is primarily related to building remodeling and renovations at Torrey Reserve Campus, Solana Beach Corporate Centre and Lloyd District Portfolio.

Redevelopment and expansion expenditures in our retail portfolio reflect costs incurred in the development of Carmel Mountain Plaza. Redevelopment and expansion expenditures in our office portfolio reflect costs incurred in the development of Torrey Reserve Campus and Lloyd District Portfolio, which both commenced during the second quarter of 2012.

New development costs for the retail and office portfolio reflect costs incurred for environmental studies, architectural design and permits for our held for development properties.

Capital expenditures during 2013 will depend upon acquisition opportunities, the level of improvements and redevelopments on existing properties and the timing and cost of development of our development and held for development properties. While the amount of future expenditures will depend on numerous factors, we expect to incur higher amounts in 2013 compared to those incurred in 2012. We anticipate an increase in tenant improvements and leasing commissions noting lease expirations of approximately 8.9% in our total portfolio, assuming tenants do not exercise their options to extend their leases. Additionally, we expect an increase in development costs for Torrey Reserve Campus and Lloyd District Portfolio, associated with the development of each property which began during the second quarter of 2012.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

We review for impairment on a property by property basis. Impairment is recognized on properties held for use when the expected undiscounted cash flows for a property are less than its carrying amount at which time the property is written-down to fair value. The calculation of both discounted and undiscounted cash flows requires management to make estimates of future cash flows including revenues, operating expenses, required maintenance and development expenditures, market conditions, demand for space by tenants and rental rates over long periods. Since our properties typically have a long life, the assumptions used to estimate the future recoverability of book value requires significant management judgment. Actual results could be significantly different from the estimates. These estimates have a direct impact on net income because recording an impairment charge results in a negative adjustment to net income. The evaluation of anticipated cash flows is highly subjective and is based in part on assumptions regarding future occupancy, rental rates and capital requirements that could differ materially from actual results in future periods.

Properties held for sale are recorded at the lower of the carrying amount or the expected sales price less costs to sell. Although our strategy is to hold our properties over the long-term, if our strategy changes or market conditions otherwise dictate an earlier sale date, an impairment loss may be recognized to reduce the property to fair value and such loss could be material.

As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, none of our properties were impaired.

Income Taxes

We elected to be taxed as a REIT under the Code commencing with the taxable year ended December 31, 2011. To maintain our qualification as a REIT, we are required to distribute at least 90% of our REIT taxable income to our stockholders and meet the various other requirements imposed by the Code relating to such

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matters as operating results, asset holdings, distribution levels and diversity of stock ownership. Provided we maintain our qualification for taxation as a REIT, we are generally not subject to corporate level income tax on the earnings distributed currently to our stockholders that we derive from our REIT qualifying activities. If we fail to maintain our qualification as a REIT in any taxable year, and are unable to avail ourselves of certain savings provisions set forth in the Code, all of our taxable income would be subject to federal income tax at regular corporate rates, including any applicable alternative minimum tax. Any such corporate tax liability could be substantial and would have a direct impact on our net income.

We, together with one of our subsidiaries, have elected to treat such subsidiary as a taxable REIT subsidiary for federal income tax purposes. A taxable REIT subsidiary is subject to federal and state income taxes.

Property Acquisitions and Dispositions

Acquisitions

2012 Acquisitions

On January 24, 2012, we acquired One Beach Street, consisting of approximately 97,000 square feet in a three-story fully renovated historic office building located along the Embarcadero in San Francisco's North Waterfront District. The purchase price was approximately \$36.5 million, excluding closing costs of approximately \$0.02 million, which are included in other income (expense), net on the statement of operations.

On August 21, 2012, we acquired City Center Bellevue, a 27-story LEED-EB Gold certified office tower, consisting of approximately 497,000 square feet, located in Bellevue, Washington. The purchase price was approximately \$228.8 million, excluding closing costs of approximately \$0.1 million, which are included in other income (expense), net on the statement of operations. Additionally, we received credits to our purchase price of approximately \$6.9 million that primarily relate to outstanding tenant improvement obligations and rent abatements.

On December 19, 2012, we acquired Geary Marketplace, a newly constructed, approximately 35,000 square foot, 100% leased, grocery-anchored shopping center in Walnut Creek, California. The purchase price was approximately \$21.0 million, excluding closing costs of approximately \$0.02 million, which are included in other income (expense), net on the statement of operations.

2011 Acquisitions

As part of the Formation Transactions, we acquired the controlling interests in the Waikiki Beach Walk entities and the Solana Beach Centre entities in exchange for common units of our Operating Partnership and shares of our common stock with a value of approximately \$33.9 million.

On March 11, 2011, we acquired First & Main, an approximately 361,000 square foot, 16-story, LEED Platinum certified office building located at 100 SW Main Street, in Portland, Oregon. The purchase price for First & Main was approximately \$128.9 million, excluding closing costs of approximately \$0.1 million, which are included in other income (expense), net on the statement of operations. The purchase was structured to accommodate a reverse tax deferred exchange in conjunction with the sale of Valencia Corporate Center pursuant to the provisions of Section 1031 of the Code and applicable state revenue and taxation code sections.

On July 1, 2011, we acquired the Lloyd District Portfolio, consisting of approximately 610,000 rentable square feet on more than 16 acres located in the Lloyd District of Portland, Oregon. The Lloyd District Portfolio is comprised of six office buildings within four contiguous blocks, including (i) a condominium interest in the 20-story Lloyd Tower, (ii) the 16-story Lloyd 700 Building and (iii) four low-rise landmark buildings within Oregon Square. The purchase price was approximately \$91.6 million, excluding closing costs of approximately \$0.1 million, which are included in other income (expense), net on the statement of operations. We intend to evaluate further developing this property through the addition of retail, office and/or residential mixed-use development. However, we can offer no assurances that we will ultimately further develop this property.

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On September 20, 2011, we acquired the Solana Beach Highway 101 property, consisting of approximately 1.7 acres located in Solana Beach, California. On December 14, 2011, we acquired an additional 0.2 acres adjacent to such location. The aggregate purchase price for this property was approximately \$8.1 million, excluding closing costs of approximately \$0.2 million, which are included in other income (expense), net on the statement of operations. We intend to evaluate developing this property into a retail, office and/or residential mixed-use site. However, we can offer no assurances that we will ultimately develop this property. The property currently includes approximately 2,800 rentable square feet, which we plan to lease until development begins, if at all.

2010 Acquisitions

On June 30, 2010, our Predecessor acquired the controlling interests in an office building located in San Francisco, California, known as The Landmark at One Market. Prior to acquisition of the controlling interests in Landmark, we owned a 35% noncontrolling interest in the entity owning Landmark, which was accounted for under the equity method of accounting. The aggregate net acquisition cost for this property approximated \$23.0 million.

On November 10, 2010, our Predecessor purchased an 80,000 rentable square foot vacant building on 6.77 acres of land located at our Carmel Mountain Plaza property for \$13.2 million. The building was vacated by Mervyn's in conjunction with its bankruptcy.

2012 Disposition

On December 4, 2012, we sold 160 King Street located in San Francisco, California for a sales price of \$93.8 million. The decision to sell 160 King Street reflects our strategy of taking advantage of market conditions to reallocate capital within our existing and future portfolio. The sale was completed as a reverse tax deferred exchange in conjunction with the acquisition of City Center Bellevue. As a result of the sale, 160 King Street no longer serves as a borrowing base property under our revolving credit facility.

2011 Disposition

On August 30, 2011, we sold Valencia Corporate Center for a sales price of \$31.0 million. The property is located in Santa Clarita, California. The decision to sell Valencia Corporate Center was a result of our desire to focus resources on our core, high-barrier-to-entry markets. The sale was completed as a reverse tax deferred exchange in conjunction with the acquisition of First & Main pursuant to the provisions of Section 1031 of the Code and applicable state revenue and taxation code sections. As a result of the sale, Valencia Corporate Center no longer serves as a borrowing base property under our revolving credit facility.

Results of Operations

For our discussion of results of operations, we have provided information on a total portfolio and same-store basis. Information provided on a same-store basis includes the results of properties that we owned and operated for the entirety of both periods being compared, except for properties held for development and properties classified as discontinued operations, which are excluded for both periods.

Comparison of the Year Ended December 31, 2012 to the Year Ended December 31, 2011

The following summarizes our consolidated results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2012 compared to our consolidated results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2011. As of December 31, 2012, our operating portfolio was comprised of 23 retail, office, multifamily and mixed-use properties with an aggregate of approximately 5.8 million rentable square feet of retail and office space (including mixed-use retail space), 922 residential units (including 122 RV spaces) and a 369-room hotel. Additionally, as of December 31, 2012, we owned land at five of our properties that we classified as held for development. As of December 31,

2011, our operating portfolio was comprised of 20 properties with an aggregate of approximately 5.2 million

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rentable square feet of retail and office space and 922 residential units (including 122 RV spaces) and a 369-room hotel. Additionally, as of December 31, 2011, we owned land at five of our properties that we classified as held for development.

The following table sets forth selected data from our consolidated statements of income for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 (dollars in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2012	2011	Change	%
Revenues				
Rental income	\$ 225,249	\$ 194,168	\$ 31,081	16%
Other property income	10,217	8,617	1,600	19
Total property revenues	235,466	202,785	32,681	16
Expenses				
Rental expenses	64,089	58,133	5,956	10
Real estate taxes	22,025	18,746	3,279	17
Total property expenses	86,114	76,879	9,235	12
Total property income	149,352	125,906	23,446	19
General and administrative	(15,593)	(13,627)	(1,966)	14
Depreciation and amortization	(61,853)	(55,936)	(5,917)	11
Interest expense	(57,328)	(54,580)	(2,748)	5
Early extinguishment of debt		(25,867)	25,867	100
Loan transfer and consent fees		(8,808)	8,808	100
Gain on acquisition		46,371	(46,371)	(100)
Other income (expense), net	(629)	212	(841)	(397)
Total other, net	(135,403)	(112,235)	(23,168)	21
Income from continuing operations	13,949	13,671	278	2
Discontinued operations				
Income from discontinued operations	932	1,672	(740)	(44)
Gain on sale of real estate property	36,720	3,981	32,739	822
Results from discontinued operations	37,652	5,653	31,999	566
Net income	51,601	19,324	32,277	167
Net income attributable to restricted shares	(529)	(482)	(47)	10
Net loss attributable to Predecessor's noncontrolling interests in consolidated real estate entities		2,458	(2,458)	(100)
Net income attributable to Predecessor's controlled owners equity		(16,995)	16,995	100
Net income attributable to unitholders in the Operating Partnership	(16,133)	(1,388)	(14,745)	1,062
Net income attributable to American Assets Trust, Inc. stockholders	\$ 34,939	\$ 2,917	\$ 32,022	1,098%

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Revenue

Total property revenues. Total property revenue consists of rental revenue and other property income. Total property revenue increased \$32.7 million, or 16%, to \$235.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 compared to \$202.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. The percentage leased was as follows for each segment as of December 31, 2012 and 2011:

	Percentage Leased ⁽¹⁾	
	Year Ended December 31,	
	2012	2011
Retail	97.0%	95.0%
Office	93.3% ⁽²⁾	93.9% ⁽²⁾
Multifamily	94.7%	91.8%
Mixed-Use	95.5% ⁽³⁾	99.2%

(1) The percentage leased includes the square footage under lease, including leases which may not have commenced as of December 31, 2012 or December 31, 2011, as applicable.

(2) Excludes Valencia Corporate Center, which was sold on August 30, 2011 and 160 King Street, which was sold on December 4, 2012.

(3) Includes the retail portion of the mixed-use property only.

The increase in total property revenue is attributable primarily to the factors discussed below.

Rental revenues. Rental revenue includes minimum base rent, cost reimbursements, percentage rents and other rents. Rental revenue increased \$31.0 million, or 16%, to \$225.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 compared to \$194.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. Rental revenue by segment was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Total Portfolio				Same-Store Portfolio ⁽¹⁾			
	Year Ended December 31,				Year Ended December 31,			
	2012	2011	Change	%	2012	2011	Change	%
Retail	\$ 90,475	\$ 85,143	\$ 5,332	6%	\$ 81,498	\$ 77,667	\$ 3,831	5%
Office	75,582	55,902	19,680	35	35,713	35,062	651	2
Multifamily	13,806	13,258	548	4	13,806	13,258	548	4
Mixed-Use	45,386	39,865	5,521	14				
	\$ 225,249	\$ 194,168	\$ 31,081	16%	\$ 131,017	\$ 125,987	\$ 5,030	4%

(1) For this table and tables following, the same-store portfolio excludes: Solana Beach Towne Centre, Solana Beach Corporate Centre and the Waikiki Beach Walk entities acquired on January 19, 2011; First & Main acquired on March 11, 2011; Lloyd District Portfolio acquired on July 1, 2011; One Beach Street acquired on January 24, 2012; City Center Bellevue acquired on August 21, 2012; Geary Marketplace acquired on December 19, 2012; and land held for development. Valencia Corporate Center and 160 King Street are excluded from both the total portfolio and same-store portfolio, as they are classified as discontinued operations for all periods presented.

On a same store basis, retail rental revenue increased \$3.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 compared to the year ended December 31, 2011. This increase was primarily due to the increase in the average percentage leased, which was primarily related to the re-leasing of our three former Borders spaces during 2012 with an average increased cash basis rent of 25.7% per square foot. The remaining increase is also due to additional cost reimbursements, primarily related to supplemental tax billings received during 2012 for Carmel Mountain Plaza, Lomas Santa Fe Plaza, and Solana Beach Towne Center.

The increase in office rental revenue was primarily caused by the acquisition of One Beach Street on January 24, 2012 and City Center Bellevue on August 21, 2012, which had rental revenue of \$3.9 million and \$6.3 million, respectively, from acquisition through December 31, 2012.

Additionally, our 2011 acquisitions of

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Solana Beach Corporate Center, First & Main and Lloyd District Portfolio contributed \$8.9 million of the increase in rental revenue during 2012. Same-store office rental revenues increased \$0.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 compared to the year ended December 31, 2011, primarily due to higher base rents for new tenants and additional cost reimbursements.

The increase in multifamily rental revenue was primarily due to the higher percentage leased for 2012 compared to 2011.

The rental revenue for our mixed-use segment represents rental revenue recognized for minimum base rent, cost reimbursements, percentage rents and other rents charged to retail tenants and rental of hotel rooms. The increase in mixed-use rental revenue was due to increased tourist travel to Hawaii leading to higher hotel revenue, with average occupancy for 2012 of 89% compared to 88% for 2011, and an increase in our average daily rate, which was \$264 for 2012 and \$239 in 2011. These two increases attributed to the increase in average revenue per available room of \$235 and \$212 for 2012 and 2011, respectively.

Other property income. Other property income increased \$1.6 million, or 19%, to \$10.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to \$8.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. Other property income by segment was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Total Portfolio				Same-Store Portfolio			
	Year Ended December 31,		Change	%	Year Ended December 31,		Change	%
2012	2011	2012			2011			
Retail	\$ 1,516	\$ 1,368	\$ 148	11%	\$ 1,457	\$ 1,367	\$ 90	7%
Office	2,519	1,417	1,102	78	287	331	(44)	(13)
Multifamily	1,046	1,063	(17)	(2)	1,046	1,063	(17)	(2)
Mixed-Use	5,136	4,769	367	8				
	\$ 10,217	\$ 8,617	\$ 1,600	19%	\$ 2,790	\$ 2,761	\$ 29	1%

The increase in retail other property income was due to a distribution of bankruptcy claim amounts from the liquidating trustee of our former Borders tenants, a lease amendment fee paid by a tenant at Rancho Carmel Plaza and a lease termination fee paid by a tenant at Solana Beach Towne Center that were received during the fourth quarter of 2012, offset by a lease termination fee paid by a tenant at Del Monte Center during 2011.

The increase in office other property income was caused by the acquisition of One Beach Street on January 24, 2012 and City Center Bellevue on August 21, 2012, which had combined other property income of \$0.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. Additionally, our 2011 acquisitions of First & Main and Lloyd District Portfolio contributed approximately \$0.4 million of the increase in office other property income in 2012, of which \$0.3 million is attributed to parking income generated from Lloyd District Portfolio.

The other property income for our mixed-use segment represents Hawaii general excise tax reimbursements, parking income related to retail tenants and guests and sales of food and beverages and other services provided to hotel guests. The increase in mixed-use other property income was attributed to the increase in average occupancy at our Embassy Suites™ Hotel in 2012.

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Property Expenses

Total Property Expenses. Total property expenses consist of rental expenses and real estate taxes. Total property expenses increased by \$9.2 million, or 12%, to \$86.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to \$76.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. This increase in total property expenses is attributable primarily to the factors discussed below.

Rental Expenses. Rental expenses increased \$6.0 million, or 10%, to \$64.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to \$58.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. Rental expense by segment was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Total Portfolio				Same-Store Portfolio			
	Year Ended		Change	%	Year Ended		Change	%
	December 31,				December 31,			
	2012	2011			2012	2011		
Retail	\$ 13,863	\$ 14,825	\$ (962)	(6)%	\$ 13,057	\$ 13,991	\$ (934)	(7)%
Office	16,407	12,005	4,402	37	6,958	7,290	(332)	(5)
Multifamily	4,159	4,243	(84)	(2)	4,159	4,243	(84)	(2)
Mixed-Use	29,660	27,060	2,600	10				
	\$ 64,089	\$ 58,133	\$ 5,956	10%	\$ 24,174	\$ 25,524	\$ (1,350)	(5)%

The decrease in retail rental expenses was primarily due to an allowance recorded for an outstanding deferred rent receivable from Kmart at one property during the fourth quarter of 2011, minimally offset by higher premiums on our insurance policies, additional maintenance expenditures and increased operating costs related to the increase in the average percentage leased for 2012.

The increase in office rental expenses was caused by the acquisition of One Beach Street on January 24, 2012 and City Center Bellevue on August 21, 2012, which had rental expense of \$0.7 million and \$1.3 million, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2012. Our 2011 acquisitions of Solana Beach Corporate Center, First & Main and Lloyd District Portfolio contributed \$2.7 million of the increase in rental expenses during 2012. These increases were minimally offset by higher premiums on our insurance policies. The decrease in same-store office rental expenses for the year ended December 31, 2012 was primarily due to a decrease in maintenance performed at various properties.

The increase in mixed-use rental expenses was attributed to the increase in average occupancy at our Embassy Suites™ Hotel in 2012.

Real Estate Taxes. Real estate tax expense increased \$3.3 million, or 17%, to \$22.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to \$18.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. Real estate tax expense by segment was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Total Portfolio				Same-Store Portfolio			
	Year Ended		Change	%	Year Ended		Change	%
	December 31,				December 31,			
	2012	2011			2012	2011		
Retail	\$ 11,092	\$ 9,687	\$ 1,405	15%	\$ 9,793	\$ 9,005	\$ 788	9%
Office	7,373	6,010	1,363	23	4,124	4,058	66	2
Multifamily	1,755	1,335	420	31	1,755	1,335	420	31
Mixed-Use	1,805	1,714	91	5				
	\$ 22,025	\$ 18,746	\$ 3,279	17%	\$ 15,672	\$ 14,398	\$ 1,274	9%

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The increase in retail real estate taxes was primarily due to additional real estate tax accruals for retail properties based on supplemental tax bills from the California taxing authority received during 2012. These increases were primarily at Carmel Mountain Plaza, Lomas Santa Fe Plaza and Solana Beach Towne Center, each of which received higher property assessments that resulted in increased real estate taxes of \$0.4 million, \$0.3 million, and \$0.5 million, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2012.

The increase in office real estate taxes was primarily caused by the acquisition of One Beach Street on January 24, 2012 and City Center Bellevue on August 21, 2012, which each had real estate taxes of \$0.3 million from acquisition through December 31, 2012. Additionally, our 2011 acquisitions of First & Main on March 11, 2011 and Lloyd District Portfolio on July 1, 2011 contributed an additional \$0.3 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, of real estate taxes for the year ended December 31, 2012. On a same-store basis, office real estate tax increased due to receipt of 2011 supplemental tax bills from the California taxing authority during 2012.

The increase in multifamily real estate taxes was primarily due to additional real estate tax accruals for all multifamily properties based on supplemental tax bills from the California taxing authority received during 2012, which are not reimbursable.

Property Operating Income.

Property operating income increased \$23.5 million, or 19%, to \$149.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to \$125.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. Property operating income by segment was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Total Portfolio				Same-Store Portfolio			
	Year Ended		Change	%	Year Ended		Change	%
	December 31,				December 31,			
	2012	2011			2012	2011		
Retail	\$ 67,036	\$ 61,999	\$ 5,037	8%	\$ 60,105	\$ 56,038	\$ 4,067	7%
Office	54,321	39,304	15,017	38	24,918	24,045	873	4
Multifamily	8,938	8,743	195	2	8,938	8,743	195	2
Mixed-Use	19,057	15,860	3,197	20				
	\$ 149,352	\$ 125,906	\$ 23,446	19%	\$ 93,961	\$ 88,826	\$ 5,135	6%

The increase in retail property operating income was primarily due to increased rental revenue related to the increase in the average percentage leased during 2012 and a decrease in rental expenses specifically related to an allowance recorded for an outstanding deferred rent receivable from Kmart during the fourth quarter of 2011.

The increase in office property operating income was primarily caused by the acquisition One Beach Street on January 24, 2012 and City Center Bellevue on August 21, 2012, which each had operating income of \$2.9 million and \$5.3 million, respectively, from acquisition through December 31, 2012. Additionally, our 2011 acquisitions of Solana Beach Corporate Centre on January 19, 2011, First & Main on March 11, 2011 and Lloyd District Portfolio on July 1, 2011, contributed additional property operating income of \$0.7 million, \$2.2 million and \$3.2 million, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2012. On a same-store basis, office property operating income increased \$0.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 compared to the year ended December 31, 2011 primarily due to higher base rents for new tenants and additional cost reimbursements.

The increase in multifamily property operating income was primarily due to the higher percentage leased for 2012 compared to 2011.

Mixed-use property operating income primarily increased due to increased tourist travel to Hawaii with average occupancy for 2012 of 89% compared to 88% for 2011. Additionally, average revenue per available room was \$235 and \$212 for 2012 and 2011, respectively.

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Other

General and administrative. General and administrative expenses increased \$2.0 million, or 14%, to \$15.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to \$13.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. This increase was primarily due to higher personnel costs and additional costs for the acquired properties.

Depreciation and amortization. Depreciation and amortization expense increased \$5.9 million, or 11%, to \$61.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to \$55.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. This increase was primarily due to depreciation and amortization attributable to the acquired properties.

Interest expense. Interest expense increased \$2.7 million, or 5%, to \$57.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 compared with \$54.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. This increase was primarily due to interest expense on the mortgage loans obtained on First & Main on June 1, 2011, One Beach Street on March 29, 2012 and City Center Bellevue on October 10, 2012. Additionally, the year ended December 31, 2012 includes interest expense on the properties acquired at the time of our initial public offering for the entire twelve month period compared to only the period from January 19, 2011 through December 31, 2011. This was offset by a decrease in utilization fees on our revolving line of credit resulting from the amendment to the line of credit in January 2012 and an increase in capitalized interest of \$0.7 million, which we began during the second quarter of 2012.

Early extinguishment of debt. Early extinguishment of debt includes \$24.3 million in defeasance costs, \$0.6 million of unamortized deferred loan fees and \$0.9 million of unamortized debt fair value adjustments that were written off related to loans repaid at the time of our initial public offering.

Loan transfer and consent fees. Loan transfer and consent fees relate to fees paid to lenders in order for the lenders to consent to the transfer of the existing loans at certain properties to the Operating Partnership as part of the Formation Transactions.

Gain on acquisition. The gain on acquisition for the year ended December 31, 2011 relates to the gains recognized on the acquisition of the outside ownership interests in the Solana Beach Centre entities and the Waikiki Beach Walk entities.

Other income (expense), net. Other income (expense), net decreased \$0.8 million, or 397%, to net expense of \$0.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to net income of \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. Other income (expense), net is comprised of interest and investment income, acquisition related expenses, and income tax expense related to our taxable REIT subsidiary, which operates the hotel portion of our mixed-use property. The decrease was mainly due to a reduction in investment income related to the sale of our GNMA securities.

Discontinued Operations. Discontinued operations relates to our sale of 160 King Street on December 4, 2012 and Valencia Corporate Center on August 30, 2011.

Comparison of the Year Ended December 31, 2011 to the Year Ended December 31, 2010

The following summarizes the historical results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2011 compared to our Predecessor's combined results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2010. As of December 31, 2011, our operating portfolio was comprised of 20 retail, office, multifamily and mixed-used properties with an aggregate of approximately 5.2 million rentable square feet of retail and office space (including mixed-use retail space), 922 residential units (including 122 RV spaces) and a 369-room hotel. Additionally, as of December 31, 2011, we owned land at five of our properties that we classified as held for development. As of December 31, 2010, our Predecessor's operating portfolio was comprised of 16 properties with an aggregate of approximately 3.9 million rentable square feet of retail and office space and 922 residential

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units (including 122 RV spaces). At December 31, 2010, our Predecessor also owned land at two of its properties that it classified as held for development. At December 31, 2010, our Predecessor also had noncontrolling investments in four properties, which are accounted for under the equity method of accounting. The Landmark at One Market was acquired on June 30, 2010 by our Predecessor. Prior to June 30, 2010, our Predecessor had a noncontrolling interest in The Landmark at One Market and accounted for its investment under the equity method of accounting.

The following table sets forth selected data from our Predecessor's combined statements of operations for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 (dollars in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		Change	%
	2011	2010		
Revenues				
Rental income	\$ 194,168	\$ 115,165	\$ 79,003	69%
Other property income	8,617	2,583	6,034	234
Total property revenues	202,785	117,748	85,037	72
Expenses				
Rental expenses	58,133	20,520	37,613	183
Real estate taxes	18,746	11,688	7,058	60
Total property expenses	76,879	32,208	44,671	139
Total property income	125,906	85,540	40,366	47
General and administrative	(13,627)	(8,699)	(4,928)	57
Depreciation and amortization	(55,936)	(34,419)	(21,517)	63
Interest expense	(54,580)	(43,251)	(11,329)	26
Early extinguishment of debt	(25,867)		(25,867)	(100)
Loan transfer and consent fees	(8,808)		(8,808)	(100)
Gain on acquisition	46,371	4,297	42,074	979
Other income (expense), net	212	(1,846)	2,058	(111)
Total other, net	(112,235)	(83,918)	(28,317)	34
Income from continuing operations	13,671	1,622	12,049	743
Discontinued operations				
Income from discontinued operations	1,672	552	1,120	203
Gain on sale of real estate property	3,981		3,981	100
Results from discontinued operations	5,653	552	5,101	924
Net income	19,324	2,174	17,150	789
Net income attributable to restricted shares	(482)		(482)	(100)
Net loss attributable to Predecessor's noncontrolling interests in consolidated real estate entities	2,458	2,205	253	11
Net income attributable to Predecessor's controlled owners' equity	\$ (16,995)	\$ (4,379)	\$ (12,616)	288
Net income attributable to unitholders in the Operating Partnership	\$ (1,388)	\$	\$ (1,388)	(100)
Net income attributable to American Assets Trust, Inc. stockholders	\$ 2,917	\$	\$ 2,917	100%

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Revenue

Total property revenues. Total property revenue consists of rental revenue and other property income. Total property revenue increased \$85.0 million, or 72%, to \$202.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 compared to \$117.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. The percentage leased was as follows for each segment as of December 31, 2011 and 2010:

	Percentage Leased (1)	
	Year Ended December 31,	
	2011	2010
Retail	95.0%	94.2%
Office	93.9% ⁽²⁾	96.3% ⁽²⁾
Multifamily	91.8%	87.4%
Mixed-Use	99.2% ⁽³⁾	

(1) The percentage leased includes the square footage under lease, including leases which may not have commenced as of December 31, 2011 or December 31, 2010, as applicable.

(2) Excludes Valencia Corporate Center, which was sold on August 30, 2011 and 160 King Street, which was sold on December 4, 2012.

(3) Includes the retail portion of the mixed-use property only.

The increase in total property revenue is attributable primarily to the factors discussed below.

Rental revenues. Rental revenue includes minimum base rent, cost reimbursements, percentage rents and other rents. Rental revenue increased \$79.0 million, or 69%, to \$194.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 compared to \$115.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. Rental revenue by segment was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Total Portfolio				Same-Store Portfolio ⁽¹⁾			
	Year Ended December 31,		Change	%	Year Ended December 31,		Change	%
	2011	2010			2011	2010		
Retail	\$ 85,143	\$ 77,013	\$ 8,130	11%	\$ 77,667	\$ 77,013	\$ 654	1%
Office	55,902	25,058	30,844	123	14,691	14,811	(120)	(1)
Multifamily	13,258	13,094	164	1	13,258	13,094	164	1
Mixed-Use	39,865		39,865	100				
	\$ 194,168	\$ 115,165	\$ 79,003	69%	\$ 105,616	\$ 104,918	\$ 698	1%

(1) For this table and tables following, the same-store portfolio excludes: Solana Beach Towne Centre, Solana Beach Corporate Centre and the Waikiki Beach Walk entities acquired on January 19, 2011; First & Main acquired on March 11, 2011; Lloyd District Portfolio acquired on July 1, 2011; The Landmark at One Market acquired on June 30, 2010; and land held for development. Valencia Corporate Center and 160 King Street are excluded from both the total portfolio and same-store portfolio, as they are classified as discontinued operations for all periods presented.

The increase in retail rental revenue was primarily caused by the acquisition of Solana Beach Towne Centre on January 19, 2011, which had rental revenue of \$7.5 million from acquisition through December 31, 2011. On a same-store basis, retail rental revenue increased \$0.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 compared to the year ended December 31, 2010. This increase was primarily due to \$0.3 million of revenue recognized related to property tax expense reimbursements for the same-store properties, which was passed through to tenants as a result of supplemental billings that we received from the California taxing authority in 2012. The remaining increase was due to an increase in the average percentage leased during the year, offset by the closure of Borders at three of our properties. The reduction of revenue related to Borders closing was \$0.4 million and resulted from the decrease in base rent and cost reimbursements, offset by the recognition of certain below market lease intangibles.

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The increase in office rental revenue was primarily caused by the acquisition of Solana Beach Corporate Centre on January 19, 2011, First & Main on March 11, 2011 and Lloyd District Portfolio on July 1, 2011, which had rental revenue of \$5.7 million, \$9.0 million and \$6.0 million, respectively, from acquisition through December 31, 2011. Additionally, The Landmark at One Market was acquired on June 30, 2010 and contributed \$10.3 million of the increase in rental revenue. On a same-store basis, office rental revenue remained flat for the year ended December 31, 2011 compared to the year ended December 31, 2010. This was primarily due to \$0.3 million of revenue recognized related to property tax expense reimbursements for the same-store properties, which was passed through to tenants as a result of supplemental billings that we received from the California taxing authority in 2012, offset by a decrease in rental rates on new leases and renewals.

The increase in multifamily rental revenue was primarily due to the higher percentage leased for 2011 compared to 2010.

The increase in mixed-use rental revenue was due to the acquisition of our mixed-use property, Waikiki Beach Walk, in our Formation Transactions on January 19, 2011.

Other property income. Other property income increased \$6.0 million, or 234%, to \$8.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to \$2.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. Other property income by segment was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Total Portfolio				Same-Store Portfolio			
	Year Ended December 31,		Change	%	Year Ended December 31,		Change	%
	2011	2010			2011	2010		
Retail	\$ 1,368	\$ 1,221	\$ 147	12%	\$ 1,367	\$ 1,221	\$ 146	12%
Office	1,417	316	1,101	348	240	174	66	38
Multifamily	1,063	1,046	17	2	1,063	1,046	17	2
Mixed-Use	4,769		4,769	100				
	\$ 8,617	\$ 2,583	\$ 6,034	234%	\$ 2,670	\$ 2,441	\$ 229	9%

The increase in office other property income was caused by the acquisition of First & Main on March 11, 2011 and Lloyd District Portfolio on July 1, 2011, which had other property income of \$0.2 million and \$0.9 million, respectively, from acquisition through December 31, 2011.

The other property income for our mixed-use segment represents Hawaii general excise tax reimbursements, parking income related to retail tenants and guests and sales of food and beverages and other services provided to hotel guests. The increase in mixed-use other property income was due to the acquisition of our mixed-use property, Waikiki Beach Walk, in our Formation Transactions on January 19, 2011.

Property Expenses

Total Property Expenses. Total property expenses consist of rental expenses and real estate taxes. Total property expenses increased by \$44.7 million, or 139%, to \$76.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to \$32.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. This increase in total property expenses is attributable primarily to the factors discussed below.

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Rental Expenses. Rental expenses increased \$37.6 million, or 183%, to \$58.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to \$20.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. Rental expense by segment was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Total Portfolio				Same-Store Portfolio			
	Year Ended				Year Ended			
	December 31,				December 31,			
	2011	2010	Change	%	2011	2010	Change	%
Retail	\$ 14,825	\$ 11,704	\$ 3,121	27%	\$ 13,991	\$ 11,704	\$ 2,287	20%
Office	12,005	4,798	7,207	150	2,271	2,246	25	1
Multifamily	4,243	4,018	225	6	4,243	4,018	225	6
Mixed-Use	27,060		27,060	100				
	\$ 58,133	\$ 20,520	\$ 37,613	183%	\$ 20,505	\$ 17,968	\$ 2,537	14%

The increase in retail rental expenses was caused by the acquisition of Solana Beach Towne Centre on January 19, 2011, which had rental expenses of \$0.8 million from acquisition through December 31, 2011. Same-store retail rental expenses increased \$2.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 compared to the year ended December 31, 2010. This increase was primarily due to an allowance recorded for an outstanding deferred rent receivable from Kmart at one property, along with additional maintenance performed, additional marketing costs and increased operating costs related to the increase in the average percentage leased for 2011.

The increase in office rental expenses was primarily caused by the acquisition of Solana Beach Corporate Centre on January 19, 2011, First & Main on March 11, 2011 and Lloyd District Portfolio on July 1, 2011, which had rental expenses of \$0.9 million, \$1.4 million and \$2.4 million, respectively, from acquisition through December 31, 2011. Additionally, The Landmark at One Market was acquired on June 30, 2010 and contributed \$2.5 million of the increase in rental expenses.

The increase in multifamily rental expenses was primarily due to increased operating costs resulting from the increase in the percentage leased for 2011.

Mixed-use rental expenses increased as a result of the acquisition of our mixed-use property, Waikiki Beach Walk, on January 19, 2011.

Real Estate Taxes. Real estate tax expense increased \$7.1 million, or 60%, to \$18.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to \$11.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. Real estate tax expense by segment was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Total Portfolio				Same-Store Portfolio			
	Year Ended				Year Ended			
	December 31,				December 31,			
	2011	2010	Change	%	2011	2010	Change	%
Retail	\$ 9,687	\$ 8,481	\$ 1,206	14%	\$ 9,005	\$ 8,481	\$ 524	6%
Office	6,010	2,502	3,508	140	1,627	1,232	395	32
Multifamily	1,335	705	630	89	1,335	705	630	89
Mixed-Use	1,714		1,714	100				
	\$ 18,746	\$ 11,688	\$ 7,058	60%	\$ 11,967	\$ 10,418	\$ 1,549	15%

The increase in retail real estate tax expense was primarily caused by additional real estate tax accruals of \$0.7 million for expected supplemental billings following the reassessment of our properties in California by the taxing authority, of which \$0.4 million related to our same-store portfolio and \$0.3 million related to Solana Beach Towne Centre. Additionally, the acquisition of Solana Beach Towne Centre on January 19, 2011 increased real estate taxes \$0.4 million, excluding the accruals previously discussed, from acquisition through December 31, 2011.

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The increase in office real estate taxes was primarily caused by the acquisition of Solana Beach Corporate Centre on January 19, 2011, First & Main on March 11, 2011, and Lloyd District Portfolio on July 1, 2011, which had real estate taxes of \$0.4 million, \$0.7 million and \$0.6 million, respectively, from acquisition through December 31, 2011. The Landmark at One Market was acquired on June 30, 2010 and contributed \$1.2 million of the increase in real estate taxes. Additionally, we recorded real estate tax accruals of \$0.6 million for expected supplemental billings following the reassessment of our properties in California by the taxing authority, of which \$0.4 million related to our same-store portfolio.

The increase in multifamily real estate taxes was caused by additional real estate tax accruals of \$0.6 million for supplemental billings that we received from the California taxing authority in 2012.

Mixed-use rental expenses increased as a result of our acquisition of our mixed-user property on January 19, 2011

Property Operating Income

Property operating income increased \$40.4 million, or 47%, to \$125.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to \$85.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. Property operating income by segment was as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Total Portfolio				Same-Store Portfolio			
	Year Ended December 31,		Change	%	Year Ended December 31,		Change	%
2011	2010	2011			2010			
Retail	\$ 61,999	\$ 58,049	\$ 3,950	7%	\$ 56,038	\$ 58,049	\$ (2,011)	(3)%
Office	39,304	18,074	21,230	117	11,033	11,507	(474)	(4)
Multifamily	8,743	9,417	(674)	(7)	8,743	9,417	(674)	(7)
Mixed-Use	15,860		15,860	100				
	\$ 125,906	\$ 85,540	\$ 40,366	47%	\$ 75,814	\$ 78,973	\$ (3,159)	(4)%

The increase in retail property operating income was primarily caused by the acquisition of Solana Beach Towne Centre on January 19, 2011, which had property operating income of \$6.0 million from acquisition through December 31, 2011. On a same-store basis, the retail property operating income decreased \$2.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 compared to the year ended December 31, 2010. The decrease was due to an increase in rental expenses, specifically related to an allowance recorded for an outstanding deferred rent receivable from Kmart at one property, and additional repairs, maintenance and marketing expenses. Additionally, we recorded same-store real estate tax accruals of \$0.1 million (net of cost reimbursement revenue for amounts billed to tenants) for supplemental billings that we received from the California taxing authority in 2012. The increased expenses more than offset the increase in rental revenue related to increases in the average percentage leased.

The increase in office property operating income was primarily caused by the acquisition of Solana Beach Corporate Centre on January 19, 2011, First & Main on March 11, 2011 and Lloyd District Portfolio on July 1, 2011, which had property operating income of \$4.2 million, \$7.1 million and \$3.9 million, respectively, from acquisition through December 31, 2011. Additionally, The Landmark at One Market was acquired on June 30, 2010 and contributed \$6.6 million of the increase in property operating income. On a same-store basis, office property operating income decreased \$0.5 million, for the year ended December 31, 2011 compared to the year ended December 31, 2010. This decrease was primarily due to the decrease in rental rates on new leases and renewals, increased operating expenses and real estate tax accruals of \$0.1 million (net of cost reimbursement revenue for amounts billed to tenants) for supplemental billings that we received from the California taxing authority in 2012.

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The decrease in multifamily property operating income was due to additional real estate tax accruals of \$0.6 million for supplemental billings that we received from the California taxing authority in 2012 which decreased the property operating income for the year ended December 31, 2012.

The mixed-use property operating income increased as the result of our acquisition of the Waikiki Beach Walk mixed-use site on January 19, 2011.

Other

General and administrative. General and administrative expenses increased \$4.9 million, or 57%, to \$13.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to \$8.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. This increase was primarily due to higher personnel costs in preparation of the initial public offering.

Depreciation and amortization. Depreciation and amortization expense increased \$21.5 million, or 63%, to \$55.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to \$34.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. This increase was primarily due to depreciation and amortization attributable to the acquired properties.

Interest expense. Interest expense increased \$11.3 million, or 26%, to \$54.6 million for the year ended year ended December 31, 2011 compared with \$43.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. This increase was primarily due to interest expense on the assumed debt for the acquired properties and interest expense on the new mortgage loan obtained on First & Main on June 1, 2011 plus commitment fees on the revolving line of credit, offset by repayment of \$316.8 million of outstanding debt at the time of our initial public offering.

Loan transfer and consent fees. Loan transfer and consent fees relate to fees paid to lenders in order for the lenders to consent to the transfer of the existing loans at certain properties to the Operating Partnership as part of the Formation Transactions.

Gain on acquisition. The gain on acquisition for the year ended December 31, 2011 related to the gains recognized on the acquisition of the outside ownership interests in the Solana Beach Centre entities and the Waikiki Beach Walk entities. The gain on acquisition for the year ended December 31, 2010 related to the gain recognized on the acquisition of the outside ownership interests in The Landmark at One Market.

Other income (expense), net. Other income (expense), net increased \$2.1 million, or 111%, to net income of \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to net expense of \$1.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. Other income (expense), net is comprised of interest and investment income, acquisition related expenses, and income tax expense related to our taxable REIT subsidiary, which operates the hotel portion of our mixed-use property. Fee income from real estate joint ventures is also included, which decreased related to our acquisition of the Solana Beach Centre entities on January 19, 2011 and The Landmark at One Market on June 30, 2010, and as a result of not providing management services and recognizing the related fees to the Fireman's Fund Headquarters after our initial public offering. Finally, income from real estate joint ventures is included, and as the real estate joint ventures were acquired on January 19, 2011, we only recorded our share of the real estate joint ventures' losses through January 18, 2011. Subsequently, the operations for these entities were included in consolidated revenues and expenses.

Discontinued Operations. Discontinued operations relates to Valencia Corporate Center, which was sold on August 30, 2011 and 160 King Street, which was sold on December 4, 2012.

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Liquidity and Capital Resources

Analysis of Liquidity and Capital Resources

Due to the nature of our business, we typically generate significant amounts of cash from operations. The cash generated from operations is used for the payment of operating expenses, capital expenditures, debt service and dividends to our stockholders and Operating Partnership unitholders. As of December 31, 2012, we held \$42.5 million in cash and cash equivalents.

Our short-term liquidity requirements consist primarily of operating expenses and other expenditures associated with our properties, regular debt service requirements, dividend payments to our stockholders required to maintain our REIT status, capital expenditures and, potentially, acquisitions. We expect to meet our short-term liquidity requirements through net cash provided by operations, reserves established from existing cash and, if necessary, borrowings available under the credit facility.

Our long-term liquidity needs consist primarily of funds necessary to pay for the repayment of debt at maturity, property acquisitions, tenant improvements and capital improvements. We expect to meet our long-term liquidity requirements to pay scheduled debt maturities and to fund property acquisitions and capital improvements with net cash from operations, long-term secured and unsecured indebtedness and the issuance of equity and debt securities. We also may fund property acquisitions and capital improvements using our credit facility pending permanent financing. We believe that we have access to multiple sources of capital to fund our long-term liquidity requirements, including the incurrence of additional debt and the issuance of additional equity. However, we cannot be assured that this will be the case. Our ability to incur additional debt will be dependent on a number of factors, including our degree of leverage, the value of our unencumbered assets and borrowing restrictions that may be imposed by lenders. Our ability to access the equity capital markets will be dependent on a number of factors as well, including general market conditions for REITs and market perceptions about our company.

Our overall capital requirements during 2013 will depend upon acquisition opportunities, the level of improvements and redevelopments on existing properties and the timing and cost of development of Torrey Reserve Campus and Lloyd District Portfolio. While the amount of future expenditures will depend on numerous factors, we expect to incur higher amounts in 2013 compared to those incurred in 2012 related to capital investments for development, redevelopment and existing properties as we progress with our development pipeline. These amounts will be funded on a short-term basis with cash flow from operations, cash on hand and our revolving credit facility. 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 also 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 February 2012, we filed a universal shelf registration statement on Form S-3 with the SEC, which was declared effective in February 2012. The universal shelf registration statement may permit us, from time to time, to offer and sell up to an additional approximately \$500.0 million of equity securities. However, there can be no assurance that we will be able to complete any such offerings of securities. Factors influencing the availability of additional financing include investor perception of our prospects and the general condition of the financial markets, among others.

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Contractual Obligations

The following table outlines the timing of required payments related to our commitments as of December 31, 2012 (dollars in thousands):

Contractual Obligations	Total	Payments by Period					More than 5 Years
		Within 1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years	
Principal payments on long-term indebtedness	\$ 1,057,680	\$ 3,704	\$ 233,993	\$ 235,980	\$ 113,974	\$ 190,139	\$ 279,890
Interest payments	362	56	51	171	28	20	36
Operating lease ⁽¹⁾	13,113	2,502	2,569	2,636	1,709	736	2,961
Tenant-related commitments	2,645	2,280	365				
Construction-related commitments	26,540	14,724	11,816				
Total	\$ 1,100,340	\$ 23,266	\$ 248,794	\$ 238,787	\$ 115,711	\$ 190,895	\$ 282,887

(1) Lease payments on the Waikiki Beach Walk lease will be equal to fair rental value from March 2017 through the end of the lease term. In the table, we have shown the lease payments for this period at the stated rate for February 2017 of \$61,690.

Indebtedness Outstanding

The following table sets forth information as of December 31, 2012, with respect to our indebtedness (dollars in thousands):

Debt	Principal Balance at December 31, 2012	Interest Rate	Annual Debt Service	Maturity Date	Balance at Maturity
Alamo Quarry Market ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	\$ 93,942	5.67%	\$ 7,567	January 8, 2014	\$ 91,717
Waialele Center ⁽⁴⁾	140,700	5.15	7,360	November 1, 2014	140,700
The Shops at Kalakaua ⁽⁴⁾	19,000	5.45	1,053	May 1, 2015	19,000
The Landmark at One Market ⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾	133,000	5.61	7,558	July 5, 2015	133,000
Del Monte Center ⁽⁴⁾	82,300	4.93	4,121	July 8, 2015	82,300
First & Main ⁽⁴⁾	84,500	3.97	3,397	July 1, 2016	84,500
Imperial Beach Gardens ⁽⁴⁾	20,000	6.16	1,250	September 1, 2016	20,000
Mariner's Point ⁽⁴⁾	7,700	6.09	476	September 1, 2016	7,700
South Bay Marketplace ⁽⁴⁾	23,000	5.48	1,281	February 10, 2017	23,000
Waikiki Beach Walk Retail ⁽⁴⁾	130,310	5.39	7,020	July 1, 2017	130,310
Solana Beach Corporate Centre III-IV ⁽⁵⁾	37,204	6.39	2,798	August 1, 2017	35,136
Loma Palisades ⁽⁴⁾	73,744	6.09	4,553	July 1, 2018	73,744
One Beach Street ⁽⁴⁾	21,900	3.94	875	April 1, 2019	21,900
Torrey Reserve North Court ⁽¹⁾	21,659	7.22	1,836	June 1, 2019	19,443
Torrey Reserve VC1, VC2, VC3 ⁽¹⁾	7,294	6.36	560	June 1, 2020	6,439
Solana Beach Corporate Centre I-II ⁽¹⁾	11,637	5.91	855	June 1, 2020	10,169
Solana Beach Towne Centre ⁽¹⁾	38,790	5.91	2,849	June 1, 2020	33,898
City Center Bellevue ⁽⁴⁾	111,000	3.98	4,479	November 1, 2022	111,000
Total/Weighted Average	\$ 1,057,680	5.26%	\$ 59,888		\$ 1,043,956

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Unamortized fair value adjustment (12,998)

Debt Balance \$ **1,044,682**

- (1) Principal payments based on a 30-year amortization schedule.
- (2) Maturity date is the earlier of the loan maturity date under the loan agreement, or the Anticipated Repayment Date as specifically defined in the loan agreement, which is the date after which substantial economic penalties apply if the loan has not been paid off.

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- (3) Not used.
 - (4) Interest only.
 - (5) Loan is interest only through August 2012. Beginning in September 2012, principal payments are based on a 30-year amortization schedule.
- Certain loans require us to comply with various financial covenants, including the maintenance of minimum debt coverage ratios. As of December 31, 2012, we were in compliance with all loan covenants.

Description of Certain Debt

The following is a summary of the material provisions of the loan agreements evidencing our material debt outstanding as of December 31, 2012.

Mortgage Loan Secured by Alamo Quarry Market

Our Alamo Quarry Market property is subject to senior mortgage debt with an original principal amount of \$109 million, which is securitized debt that is currently held by Bank of America, N.A., as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Bear Stearns Commercial Mortgage Securities Inc., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2003-PWR2.

Maturity and Interest. The loan has a maturity date of January 8, 2014 and bears interest at a fixed rate per annum of 5.67%. This loan requires regular payments of principal and interest.

Security. The loan was made to two borrower subsidiaries, and is secured by a first-priority deed of trust on the Alamo Quarry Market property, a security interest in all personal property used in connection with the Alamo Quarry Market property and an assignment of all leases, rents and security deposits relating to the property.

Prepayment. The loan may be voluntarily defeased in whole or in part, subject to satisfaction of customary defeasance requirements in effect for a prepayment prior to January 8, 2014, at which time the loan may be voluntarily prepaid without penalty or premium.

Events of Default. The loan agreement contains customary events of default, including defaults in the payment of principal or interest, defaults in compliance with the covenants contained in the documents evidencing the loan, defaults in payments under any other security instrument covering any part of the property, whether junior or senior to the loan, and bankruptcy or other insolvency events.

Mortgage Loan Secured by Waikele Center

The Waikele Center is subject to senior mortgage debt with an original principal amount of \$140.7 million, which is securitized debt that is currently held by Bank of America, N.A., as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Morgan Stanley Capital I, Inc., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-TOP17.

Maturity and Interest. The loan has a maturity date of November 1, 2014 and bears interest at a fixed rate per annum of 5.15%. This is an interest only loan.

Security. The loan was made to two borrower subsidiaries, and is secured by a first-priority deed of trust on the Waikele Center, a security interest in all personal property used in connection with the Waikele Center and an assignment of all leases, rents and security deposits relating to the property.

Prepayment. The loan may be voluntarily defeased in whole or in part, subject to satisfaction of customary defeasance requirements in effect for a prepayment prior to November 1, 2014, at which time the loan may be voluntarily prepaid without penalty or premium.

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Events of Default. The loan agreement contains customary events of default, including defaults in the payment of principal or interest, defaults in compliance with the covenants contained in the documents evidencing the loan, defaults in payments under any other security instrument covering any part of the property, whether junior or senior to the loan, and bankruptcy or other insolvency events.

Mortgage Loan Secured by The Landmark at One Market

The Landmark at One Market is subject to senior mortgage debt with an original principal amount of \$133.0 million, which is securitized debt that is currently held by Bank of America, N.A., as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the Morgan Stanley Capital I, Inc. Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates; Series 2005-HQ6.

Maturity and Interest. The loan has a maturity date of July 5, 2015 and bears interest at a fixed rate per annum of 5.61%. This is an interest only loan.

Security. The loan was made to two borrower subsidiaries, and is secured by a first-priority deed of trust on The Landmark at One Market, a security interest in all personal property used in connection with The Landmark at One Market and an assignment of all leases, rents and security deposits relating to the property.

Prepayment. The loan may be voluntarily defeased in whole or in part, subject to satisfaction of customary defeasance requirements in effect for a prepayment prior to July 5, 2015, at which time the loan may be voluntarily prepaid without penalty or premium.

Events of Default. The loan agreement contains customary events of default, including defaults in the payment of principal or interest, defaults in compliance with the covenants contained in the documents evidencing the loan and bankruptcy or other insolvency events.

Mortgage Loan Secured by Del Monte Center

Del Monte Center is subject to senior mortgage debt with an original principal amount of \$82.3 million, which is securitized debt that is currently held by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the registered Holders of Credit Suisse First Boston Mortgage Securities Corp., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-C5 under that certain Pooling and Servicing Agreement, dated as of November 1, 2005.

Maturity and Interest. The loan has a maturity date of July 8, 2015 and bears interest at a fixed rate per annum of 4.93%. This is an interest only loan.

Security. The loan was made to four borrower subsidiaries, and is secured by a first-priority deed of trust on the Del Monte Center property, a security interest in all personal property used in connection with the Del Monte Center property and an assignment of all leases, rents and security deposits relating to the property.

Prepayment. The loan may be voluntarily defeased in whole or in part, subject to satisfaction of customary defeasance requirements in effect for a prepayment prior to July 8, 2015, at which time the loan may be voluntarily prepaid without penalty or premium.

Events of Default. The loan agreement contains customary events of default, including defaults in the payment of principal or interest, defaults in compliance with the covenants contained in the documents evidencing the loan, defaults in payments under any other security instrument covering any part of the property, whether junior or senior to the loan, and bankruptcy or other insolvency events.

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Mortgage Loan Secured by First & Main

First & Main is subject to senior mortgage debt with an original principal amount of \$84.5 million from PNC Bank, National Association.

Maturity and Interest. The loan has a maturity date of July 1, 2016 and bears interest at a fixed rate per annum of 3.97%. This is an interest only loan.

Security. The loan was made to a single borrower subsidiary, and is secured by a first-priority deed of trust on First & Main, a security interest in all personal property used in connection with First & Main and an assignment of all leases, rents and security deposits relating to the property.

Prepayment. The loan may be voluntarily prepaid in whole or in part commencing on or after July 1, 2012, subject to satisfaction of customary yield maintenance requirements in effect for a prepayment prior to March 1, 2016. On or after March 1, 2016, the loan may be voluntarily prepaid without penalty or premium.

Events of Default. The loan agreement contains customary events of default, including defaults in the payment of principal or interest, defaults in compliance with the covenants contained in the documents evidencing the loan and bankruptcy or other insolvency events.

Mortgage Loan Secured by Waikiki Beach Walk-Retail

The retail portion of Waikiki Beach Walk is subject to senior mortgage debt with an original principal amount of \$130.3 million, which is securitized debt that is currently held by KeyCorp Real Estate Capital Markets, Inc. d/b/a Key Bank Real Estate Capital as Master Servicer in trust for Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as trustee for the registered Holders of Credit Suisse First Boston Mortgage Securities Corp., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2008-C1.

Maturity and Interest. The loan has a maturity date of July 1, 2017 and bears interest at a fixed rate per annum of 5.39%. This is an interest only loan.

Security. The loan was made to a single borrower subsidiary, and is secured by a first-priority deed of trust on the retail portion of Waikiki Beach Walk, a security interest in all personal property used in connection with therewith and an assignment of all leases, rents and security deposits relating to the retail portion of the property.

Prepayment. The loan may be voluntarily defeased in whole or in part, subject to satisfaction of customary defeasance requirements in effect for a prepayment prior to July 1, 2017, after which time the loan may be voluntarily prepaid without penalty or premium.

Events of Default. The loan agreement contains customary events of default, including defaults in the payment of principal or interest, defaults in compliance with the covenants contained in the documents evidencing the loan, defaults in payments under any other security instrument covering any part of the property, whether junior or senior to the loan, and bankruptcy or other insolvency events.

Mortgage Loan Secured by Loma Palisades

Loma Palisades is subject to senior mortgage debt with an original principal amount of \$73.7 million, which is securitized debt under the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation program, or Freddie Mac, that is currently held by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

Maturity and Interest. The loan has a maturity date of July 1, 2018 and bears interest at a rate per annum of 6.09%. This is an interest only loan.

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Security. The loan was made to a single borrower subsidiary, and is secured by a first-priority deed of trust lien on Loma Palisades, a security interest in all personal property used in connection with Loma Palisades and an assignment of all leases, rents and security deposits relating to the property.

Prepayment. The loan may be voluntarily prepaid in whole or in part, subject to satisfaction of customary yield maintenance requirements in effect for a prepayment prior to April 1, 2018, at which time the loan may be voluntarily prepaid without penalty or premium.

Events of Default. The loan agreement contains customary events of default, including defaults in the payment of principal or interest, defaults in compliance with the covenants contained in the documents evidencing the loan and bankruptcy or other insolvency events.

Mortgage Loan Secured by City Center Bellevue

City Center Bellevue is subject to senior mortgage debt with an original principal amount of \$111.0 million from PNC Bank, National Association.

Maturity and Interest. The loan has a maturity date of November 1, 2022 and bears interest at a fixed rate per annum of 3.98%. This is an interest only loan.

Security. The loan was made to a single borrower subsidiary, and is secured by a first-priority deed of trust on City Center Bellevue, a security interest in all personal property used in connection with City Center Bellevue and an assignment of all leases, rents and security deposits relating to the property.

Prepayment. The loan may be voluntarily prepaid in whole or in part commencing on or after November 1, 2015, subject to satisfaction of customary yield maintenance requirements in effect for a prepayment prior to May 1, 2022. On or after May 1, 2022, the loan may be voluntarily prepaid without penalty or premium.

Events of Default. The loan agreement contains customary events of default, including defaults in the payment of principal or interest, defaults in compliance with the covenants contained in the documents evidencing the loan and bankruptcy or other insolvency events.

Credit Facility

On January 19, 2011, upon completion of the our initial public offering, we entered into a revolving credit facility, or the credit facility. A group of lenders for which an affiliate of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated acts as administrative agent and joint arranger, and an affiliate of Wells Fargo Securities, LLC acts as syndication agent and joint arranger, have provided commitments for a revolving credit facility allowing borrowings of up to \$250 million. At December 31, 2012, our maximum allowable borrowing amount was \$226.3 million. The credit facility also has an accordion feature that may allow us to increase the availability thereunder up to a maximum of \$400.0 million, subject to meeting specified requirements and obtaining additional commitments from lenders. We expect to use the credit facility in the future for general corporate purposes, including working capital, the payment of capital expenses, acquisitions and development and redevelopment of properties in our portfolio. The credit facility bears interest at the rate of either LIBOR or a base rate, plus a margin that will vary depending on our leverage ratio. The amount available for us to borrow under the credit facility is subject to the net operating income of our properties that form the borrowing base of the credit facility and a minimum implied debt yield of such properties.

On March 7, 2011, the credit facility was amended to allow us or our Operating Partnership to purchase GNMA securities with maturities of up to 30 years.

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On January 10, 2012, the credit facility was amended to, among other things, (1) extend the maturity date to January 10, 2016 (with a one-year extension option subject to payment of a 0.15% fee), (2) decrease the applicable interest rates and (3) modify certain financial covenants. The second amendment provides for an interest rate based on, at our option, either (1) one-, two-, three or six-month LIBOR, plus, in each case, a spread (ranging from 1.60%-2.20%) based on our consolidated leverage ratio, or (2) a base rate equal to the highest of the (a) prime rate, (b) federal funds rate plus 0.50% or (c) Eurodollar rate plus 1.00%. Such rates are more favorable than previously contained in the revolving credit facility. In addition, the amendment reduces our secured debt ratio covenant under the credit facility to 50%.

On September 7, 2012, the credit facility was amended a third time to allow our consolidated total secured indebtedness to be up to 55% of our secured total asset value for the period commencing upon the date that a material acquisition (generally, greater than \$100 million) is consummated through and including the last day of the third fiscal quarter that follows such date.

The amended credit facility includes a number of customary financial covenants, including:

a maximum leverage ratio (defined as total indebtedness net of certain unrestricted cash and cash equivalents to total asset value) of 60.0%,

a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio (defined as consolidated earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization to consolidated fixed charges) of 1.50x,

a maximum secured leverage ratio (defined as total secured indebtedness to secured total asset value) of 55.0%,

a minimum tangible net worth equal to at least 75.0% of our tangible net worth at January, 19, 2011, the closing date of our initial public offering, plus 85.0% of the net proceeds of any additional equity issuances (other than additional equity issuances in connection with any dividend reinvestment program), and

a \$35.0 million limit on the maximum principal amount of recourse indebtedness we may have outstanding at any time, other than under credit facility.

The credit facility provides that our annual distributions may not exceed the greater of (1) 95.0% of our funds from operations, or FFO, or (2) the amount required for us to (a) qualify and maintain our REIT status and (b) avoid the payment of federal or state income or excise tax. If certain events of default exist or would result from a distribution, we may be precluded from making distributions other than those necessary to qualify and maintain our status as a REIT.

We and certain of our subsidiaries guarantee the obligations under the credit facility, and certain of our subsidiaries pledged specified equity interests in our subsidiaries as collateral for our obligations under the credit facility.

As of December 31, 2012, we were in compliance with all credit facility covenants.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We currently do not have any off-balance sheet arrangements.

Cash Flows

Comparison of the year ended December 31, 2012 to the year ended December 31, 2011

Cash and cash equivalents were \$42.5 million and \$112.7 million, at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

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Net cash provided by operating activities increased \$10.5 million to \$75.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to \$65.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. The increase is primarily due to the acquisitions of the Solana Beach Centre entities, the Waikiki Beach Walk entities, First & Main, Lloyd District Portfolio, One Beach Street, and City Center Bellevue.

Net cash used in investing activities decreased \$37.4 million to \$194.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to \$231.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. The decrease was primarily due to the sale of our marketable securities during the third quarter of 2012, to help finance our acquisition of City Center Bellevue, and the sale of 160 King Street during the fourth quarter of 2012. The proceeds from the sale were offset by the acquisition of One Beach Street on January 24, 2012, City Center Bellevue on August 21, 2012, and Geary Marketplace on December 19, 2012 and an increase in capital expenditures related to construction activity for our development properties.

Net cash provided by financing activities decreased \$189.0 million to \$48.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to net cash used of \$237.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. The decrease was primarily due to the proceeds from the issuance of shares of our common stock in connection with our initial public offering in 2011, which was partially offset by the repayment of certain indebtedness in connection with the Formation Transactions. During the year ended December 31, 2012, we drew down on our line of credit during the third quarter of 2012 to finance our acquisition of City Center Bellevue. We subsequently repaid the outstanding line of credit balance during the fourth quarter of 2012 in connection with our sale of 160 King Street. During the year ended December 31, 2012, financing activities also included \$132.9 million of loan proceeds related to the mortgage loans on One Beach Street and City Center Bellevue .

Comparison of the year ended December 31, 2011 to the year ended December 31, 2010

Cash and cash equivalents were \$112.7 million and \$42.0 million, at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Net cash provided by operating activities increased \$17.1 million to \$65.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to \$48.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. The increase was primarily due to the acquisitions of The Landmark at One Market, the Solana Beach Centre entities, the Waikiki Beach Walk entities, First & Main and Lloyd District Portfolio.

Net cash used in investing activities increased \$202.2 million to \$231.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to \$29.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. The increase was primarily due to the acquisition of First & Main, Lloyd District Portfolio and Solana Beach Highway 101, and the purchase of marketable securities during 2011, along with distributions of capital from real estate joint ventures for the year ended December 31, 2010 that did not occur in 2011. The increases were offset by cash received from the sale of Valencia Corporate Center; cash acquired through the acquisition of the controlling interest in the Solana Beach Centre entities and the Waikiki Beach Walk entities; and the acquisitions of The Landmark at One Market on June 30, 2010 and a vacant building at Carmel Mountain Plaza in November 2010.

Net cash provided by financing activities increased \$238.2 million to \$237.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to net cash used of \$1.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. The increase was primarily due to the proceeds from the issuance of shares of our common stock in connection with our initial public offering and proceeds from an \$84.5 million loan, which was partially offset by the repayment of certain indebtedness in connection with the Formation Transactions and payment of dividends. Additionally, we had proceeds of \$5.4 million from a private placement of common units that closed on February 14, 2011.

Net Operating Income

Net Operating Income, or NOI, is a non-GAAP financial measure of performance. We define NOI as operating revenues (rental income, tenant reimbursements, lease termination fees, ground lease rental income and other property income) less property and related expenses (property expenses, ground lease expense, property

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marketing costs, real estate taxes and insurance). NOI excludes general and administrative expenses, interest expense, depreciation and amortization, acquisition-related expense, other non-property income and losses, gains and losses from property dispositions, extraordinary items, tenant improvements and leasing commissions. Other REITs may use different methodologies for calculating NOI, and accordingly, our NOI may not be comparable to other REITs.

NOI is used by investors and our management to evaluate and compare the performance of our properties and to determine trends in earnings and to compute the fair value of our properties as it is not affected by (1) the cost of funds of the property owner, (2) the impact of depreciation and amortization expenses as well as gains or losses from the sale of operating real estate assets that are included in net income computed in accordance with GAAP, or (3) general and administrative expenses and other gains and losses that are specific to the property owner. The cost of funds is eliminated from net income because it is specific to the particular financing capabilities and constraints of the owner. The cost of funds is also eliminated because it is dependent on historical interest rates and other costs of capital as well as past decisions made by us regarding the appropriate mix of capital which may have changed or may change in the future. Depreciation and amortization expenses as well as gains or losses from the sale of operating real estate assets are eliminated because they may not accurately represent the actual change in value in our retail, office, multifamily or mixed-use properties that result from use of the properties or changes in market conditions. While certain aspects of real property do decline in value over time in a manner that is intended to be captured by depreciation and amortization, the value of the properties as a whole have historically increased or decreased as a result of changes in overall economic conditions instead of from actual use of the property or the passage of time. Gains and losses from the sale of real property vary from property to property and are affected by market conditions at the time of sale which will usually change from period to period. These gains and losses can create distortions when comparing one period to another or when comparing our operating results to the operating results of other real estate companies that have not made similarly timed purchases or sales. We believe that eliminating these costs from net income is useful because the resulting measure captures the actual revenue generated and actual expenses incurred in operating our properties as well as trends in occupancy rates, rental rates and operating costs.

However, the usefulness of NOI is limited because it excludes general and administrative costs, interest expense, interest income and other expense, depreciation and amortization expense and gains or losses from the sale of properties, and other gains and losses as stipulated by GAAP, the level of capital expenditures and leasing costs necessary to maintain the operating performance of our properties, all of which are significant economic costs. NOI may fail to capture significant trends in these components of net income which further limits its usefulness.

NOI is a measure of the operating performance of our properties but does not measure our performance as a whole. NOI is therefore not a substitute for net income as computed in accordance with GAAP. This measure should be analyzed in conjunction with net income computed in accordance with GAAP and discussions elsewhere in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations regarding the components of net income that are eliminated in the calculation of NOI. Other companies may use different methods for calculating NOI or similarly entitled measures and, accordingly, our NOI may not be comparable to similarly entitled measures reported by other companies that do not define the measure exactly as we do.

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The following is a reconciliation of our NOI to net income for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 computed in accordance with GAAP (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Net operating income	\$ 149,352	\$ 125,906	\$ 85,540
General and administrative	(15,593)	(13,627)	(8,699)
Depreciation and amortization	(61,853)	(55,936)	(34,419)
Interest expense	(57,328)	(54,580)	(43,251)
Early extinguishment of debt		(25,867)	
Loan transfer and consent fees		(8,808)	
Gain on acquisition		46,371	4,297
Other income (expense), net	(629)	212	(1,846)
Income from continuing operations	13,949	13,671	1,622
Discontinued operations:			
Income from discontinued operations	932	1,672	552
Gain on sale of real estate property	36,720	3,981	
Results from discontinued operations	37,652	5,653	552
Net income	\$ 51,601	\$ 19,324	\$ 2,174

Funds from Operations

We present FFO because we consider FFO an important supplemental measure of our operating performance and believe it is frequently used by securities analysts, investors and other interested parties in the evaluation of REITs, many of which present FFO when reporting their results. We calculate FFO in accordance with the standards established by the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, or NAREIT. FFO represents net income (loss) (computed in accordance with GAAP), excluding gains (or losses) from sales of depreciable operating property, impairment losses, real estate related depreciation and amortization (excluding amortization of deferred financing costs) and after adjustments for unconsolidated partnerships and joint ventures.

FFO is a supplemental non-GAAP financial measure. Management uses FFO as a supplemental performance measure because it believes that FFO is beneficial to investors as a starting point in measuring our operational performance. Specifically, in excluding real estate related depreciation and amortization and gains and losses from property dispositions, which do not relate to or are not indicative of operating performance, FFO provides a performance measure that, when compared year over year, captures trends in occupancy rates, rental rates and operating costs. We also believe that, as a widely recognized measure of the performance of REITs, FFO will be used by investors as a basis to compare our operating performance with that of other REITs. However, because FFO excludes depreciation and amortization and captures neither the changes in the value of our properties that result from use or market conditions nor the level of capital expenditures and leasing commissions necessary to maintain the operating performance of our properties, all of which have real economic effects and could materially impact our results from operations, the utility of FFO as a measure of our performance is limited. In addition, other equity REITs may not calculate FFO in accordance with the NAREIT definition as we do, and, accordingly, our FFO may not be comparable to such other REITs' FFO. Accordingly, FFO should be considered only as a supplement to net income as a measure of our performance. FFO should not be used as a measure of our liquidity, nor is it indicative of funds available to fund our cash needs, including our ability to pay dividends or service indebtedness. FFO also should not be used as a supplement to or substitute for cash flow from operating activities computed in accordance with GAAP.

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The following table sets forth a reconciliation of our FFO for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 to net income, the nearest GAAP equivalent (in thousands, except per share and share data):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Net income	\$ 51,601	\$ 19,324	\$ 2,174
Plus: Real estate depreciation and amortization ⁽¹⁾	63,011	58,543	37,642
Plus: Depreciation and amortization on unconsolidated real estate joint ventures (pro rata)		688	15,304
Less: Gain on sale of real estate	(36,720)	(3,981)	
Funds from operations, as defined by NAREIT	\$ 77,892	\$ 74,574	\$ 55,120
Less: FFO attributable to Predecessor s controlled and noncontrolled owners equity		(16,973)	
Less: Nonforfeitable dividends on incentive stock awards	(354)	(316)	
FFO attributable to common stock and units	\$ 77,538	\$ 57,285	
FFO per diluted share/unit	\$ 1.35	\$ 1.05	
Weighted average number of common shares and units, diluted ⁽²⁾	57,262,767	54,417,123	

(1) Includes depreciation and amortization related to Valencia Corporate Center, which was sold on August 30, 2011 and 160 King Street, which was sold on December 4, 2012 and is included in discontinued operations on the statement of operations.

(2) For the year ended December 31, 2012, the weighted average common shares used to compute FFO per diluted share include unvested restricted stock awards that are subject to time vesting, as the vesting of the restricted stock awards is dilutive in the computation of FFO per diluted shares for the year ended December 31, 2012, but is anti-dilutive for the computation of diluted EPS for the period. Diluted shares exclude incentive restricted stock as these awards are considered contingently issuable. For the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, the weighted average shares outstanding have been weighted for the full year to date, not the date of our initial public offering.

Inflation

Substantially all of our office and retail leases provide for separate real estate tax and operating expense escalations. In addition, many of the leases provide for fixed base rent increases. We believe that inflationary increases may be at least partially offset by the contractual rent increases and expense escalations described above. In addition, our multifamily leases (other than at our RV resort where spaces can be rented at a daily, weekly or monthly rate) generally have lease terms ranging from 7 to 15 months, with a majority having 12-month lease terms, and generally allow for rent adjustments at the time of renewal, which we believe reduces our exposure to the effects of inflation.

ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Our future income, cash flows and fair values relevant to financial instruments are dependent upon prevalent market interest rates. Market risk refers to the risk of loss from adverse changes in market prices and interest rates. As of December 31, 2012, we do not hold any derivative financial instruments.

Interest Rate Risk*Marketable Securities*

Our investments in marketable securities are subject to market risk due to changes in interest rates since interest rate movements affect the value of those investments. The market values of these securities tend to decline in value as interest rates rise. If interest rates decrease, the market value of these securities generally will tend to increase, along with the level of prepayments of the underlying mortgages.

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Outstanding Debt

The following discusses the effect of hypothetical changes in market rates of interest on the fair value of our total outstanding debt. Interest rate risk amounts were determined by considering the impact of hypothetical interest rates on our debt. Discounted cash flow analysis is generally used to estimate the fair value of our mortgages 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

All of our outstanding debt obligations (maturing at various times through June 2020) 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 December 31, 2012, we had \$1,057.7 million of fixed-rate debt outstanding with an estimated fair value of \$1,116.2 million. If interest rates at December 31, 2012 had been 1.0% higher, the fair value of those debt instruments on that date would have decreased by approximately \$36.0 million. If interest rates at December 31, 2012 had been 1.0% lower, the fair value of those debt instruments on that date would have increased by approximately \$41.8 million.

Variable Interest Rate Debt

At December 31, 2012, our only variable interest rate debt is our credit facility, which had no balance outstanding at December 31, 2012.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

Our consolidated financial statements and supplementary data are included as a separate section of this Annual Report on Form 10-K commencing on page F-1 and are incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE
None.

ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We maintain disclosure controls and procedures (as the term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act) that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our Exchange Act reports is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives. We carried out an evaluation required by the Exchange Act, under the supervision and with the participation of our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures, as of December 31, 2012. Based on this evaluation, our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer concluded that, as of December 31, 2012, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective and were operating to accomplish their objectives at the reasonable assurance level.

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Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

We are responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Exchange Act. Our internal control over financial reporting is a process designed under the supervision of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, and effected by our board of directors, management, and other personnel, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of our financial reporting and the preparation of our financial statements for external purposes in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that: (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of our assets; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with the authorizations of our management and directors; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of our assets that could have a material adverse effect on our financial statements.

Internal control over financial reporting cannot provide absolute assurance of achieving financial reporting objectives because of its inherent limitations. Internal control over financial reporting is a process that involves human diligence and compliance and is subject to lapses in judgment and breakdowns resulting from human failures. Internal control over financial reporting also can be circumvented by collusion or improper management override. Because of such limitations, there is a risk that material misstatements may not be prevented or detected on a timely basis by internal control over financial reporting. However, these inherent limitations are known features of the financial reporting process. Therefore, it is possible to design into the process safeguards to reduce, though not eliminate, this risk.

Our management (with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer) assessed the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012. In making this assessment, our management used the criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission, or the COSO criteria. Based on management's assessment and the COSO criteria, our management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2012.

Ernst & Young LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, has audited our financial statements and has issued a report on the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2012 that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Stockholders

American Assets Trust, Inc.

We have audited American Assets Trust, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (the COSO criteria). American Assets Trust, Inc.'s management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed 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. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, American Assets Trust, Inc. maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated financial position of American Assets Trust, Inc. at December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2012 of American Assets Trust, Inc. and our report dated February 22, 2013 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ ERNST & YOUNG LLP

San Diego, California

February 22, 2013

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ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

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PART III

ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The information concerning our directors, executive officers and corporate governance required by Item 10 will be included in the Proxy Statement to be filed relating to American Asset Trust, Inc.'s 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and is incorporated herein by reference.

Pursuant to instruction G(3) to Form 10-K, information concerning audit committee financial expert disclosure set forth under the heading "Information Regarding the Board Committees of the Board Audit Committee" will be included in the Proxy Statement to be filed relating to American Asset Trust, Inc.'s 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and is incorporated herein by reference.

Pursuant to instruction G(3) to Form 10-K, information concerning compliance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act concerning our directors and executive officers set forth under the heading entitled "General Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance" will be included in the Proxy Statement to be filed relating to American Asset Trust, Inc.'s 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information concerning our executive compensation required by Item 11 will be included in the Proxy Statement to be filed relating to American Asset Trust, Inc.'s 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information concerning the security ownership of certain beneficial owners and management and related stockholder matters required by Item 12 will be included in the Proxy Statement to be filed relating to American Asset Trust, Inc.'s 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

The information concerning certain relationships and related transactions, and director independence required by Item 13 will be included in the Proxy Statement to be filed relating to American Asset Trust, Inc.'s 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES

The information concerning our principal accountant fees and services required by Item 14 will be included in the Proxy Statement to be filed relating to American Asset Trust, Inc.'s 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and is incorporated herein by reference.

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PART IV

ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a) (1) Financial Statements

Our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto, together with Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm are included as a separate section of this Annual Report on Form 10-K commencing on page F-1.

(2) Financial Statement Schedules

Our financial statement schedules are included in a separate section of this Annual Report on Form 10-K commencing on page F-1.

(3) Exhibits

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

(b) See Exhibit Index

(c) Not Applicable

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized this 22nd day of February, 2013.

American Assets Trust, Inc.
 By: /s/ JOHN W. CHAMBERLAIN
 John W. Chamberlain

President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, this Report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ JOHN W. CHAMBERLAIN John W. Chamberlain	President, Chief Executive Officer, and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	February 22, 2013
/s/ ROBERT F. BARTON Robert F. Barton	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	February 22, 2013
/s/ ERNEST S. RADY Ernest S. Rady	Executive Chairman of the Board	February 22, 2013
/s/ LARRY E. FINGER Larry E. Finger	Director	February 22, 2013
/s/ ALAN D. GOLD Alan D. Gold	Director	February 22, 2013
/s/ DUANE A. NELLES Duane A. Nelles	Director	February 22, 2013
/s/ THOMAS S. OLINGER Thomas S. Olinger	Director	February 22, 2013
/s/ ROBERT S. SULLIVAN Robert S. Sullivan	Director	February 22, 2013

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The Board of Directors and Stockholders

American Assets Trust, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of American Assets Trust, Inc. as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related consolidated statements of income, equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2012. Our audits also included the financial statement schedule listed in the Index at Item 15(a), Schedule III Consolidated Real Estate and Accumulated Depreciation. These financial statements and schedule are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and schedule based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of American Assets Trust, Inc. at December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2012, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Also, in our opinion, the related financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly in all material respects the information set forth therein.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), American Assets Trust, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission and our report dated February 22, 2013, expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ ERNST & YOUNG LLP

San Diego, California

February 22, 2013

Table of Contents**American Assets Trust, Inc.****Consolidated Balance Sheets****(In Thousands, Except Share Data)**

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
ASSETS		
Real estate, at cost		
Operating real estate	\$ 1,891,549	\$ 1,600,643
Construction in progress	32,183	3,495
Held for development	14,944	24,675
	1,938,676	1,628,813
Accumulated depreciation	(270,494)	(224,867)
Net real estate	1,668,182	1,403,946
Cash and cash equivalents	42,479	112,723
Restricted cash	7,421	8,978
Marketable securities		28,235
Accounts receivable, net	6,440	6,810
Deferred rent receivables, net	29,395	22,344
Prepaid expenses and other assets	73,670	74,424
Assets of discontinued operations		51,821
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,827,587	\$ 1,709,281
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
LIABILITIES:		
Secured notes payable	\$ 1,044,682	\$ 912,067
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	29,509	24,805
Security deposits payable	4,856	4,091
Other liabilities and deferred credits	62,811	55,579
Liabilities of discontinued operations		33,011
Total liabilities	1,141,858	1,029,553
Commitments and contingencies (Note 12)		
EQUITY:		
American Assets Trust, Inc. stockholders' equity		
Common stock \$0.01 par value, 490,000,000 shares authorized, 39,664,212 and 39,283,796 shares outstanding at December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, respectively	397	393
Additional paid-in capital	663,589	653,645
Accumulated dividends in excess of net income	(25,625)	(28,007)
Total American Assets Trust, Inc. stockholders' equity	638,361	626,031
Noncontrolling interests	47,368	53,697
Total equity	685,729	679,728
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$ 1,827,587	\$ 1,709,281

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

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Table of Contents**American Assets Trust, Inc.****Consolidated Statements of Income****(In Thousands, Except Shares and Per Share Data)**

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
REVENUE:			
Rental income	\$ 225,249	\$ 194,168	\$ 115,165
Other property income	10,217	8,617	2,583
Total revenue	235,466	202,785	117,748
EXPENSES:			
Rental expenses	64,089	58,133	20,520
Real estate taxes	22,025	18,746	11,688
General and administrative	15,593	13,627	8,699
Depreciation and amortization	61,853	55,936	34,419
Total operating expenses	163,560	146,442	75,326
OPERATING INCOME	71,906	56,343	42,422
Interest expense	(57,328)	(54,580)	(43,251)
Early extinguishment of debt		(25,867)	
Loan transfer and consent fees		(8,808)	
Gain on acquisition		46,371	4,297
Other income (expense), net	(629)	212	(1,846)
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	13,949	13,671	1,622
DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS			
Income from discontinued operations	932	1,672	552
Gain on sale of real estate property	36,720	3,981	
Results from discontinued operations	37,652	5,653	552
NET INCOME	51,601	19,324	2,174
Net income attributable to restricted shares	(529)	(482)	
Net loss attributable to Predecessor's noncontrolling interests in consolidated real estate entities		2,458	2,205
Net income attributable to Predecessor's controlled owners' equity		(16,995)	(4,379)
Net income attributable to unitholders in the Operating Partnership	(16,133)	(1,388)	
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO AMERICAN ASSETS TRUST, INC. STOCKHOLDERS			
	\$ 34,939	\$ 2,917	\$
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE, BASIC			
Continuing operations	\$ 0.24	\$ (0.02)	
Discontinued operations	0.66	0.10	
Basic net income attributable to common stockholders per share	\$ 0.90	\$ 0.08	
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding - basic	38,736,113	36,748,806	

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EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE, DILUTED		
Continuing operations	\$ 0.24	\$ (0.02)
Discontinued operations	0.66	0.10
Diluted net income attributable to common stockholders per share	\$ 0.90	\$ 0.08
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding diluted	57,053,909	54,219,807

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Table of Contents**American Assets Trust, Inc.****Consolidated Statements of Equity****(In Thousands, Except Share Data)**

	American Assets Trust, Inc. Stockholders Common Shares			Equity	Predecessor s Controlled Owners Equity	Noncontrolling Interests - Unitholders in the Operating Partnership	Predecessor s Noncontrolling Interests - Owners in Consolidated Entities	Total
	Shares	Amount	Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated dividends in excess of net income				
Balance at December 31, 2009		\$	\$	\$	\$ 133,173	\$	\$ 37,790	\$ 170,963
Contributions					7,665			7,665
Distributions					(23,343)		(2,338)	(25,681)
Net income (loss)					4,379		(2,205)	2,174
Balance at December 31, 2010					121,874		33,247	155,121
Net income (loss)				3,399	16,995	1,388	(2,458)	19,324
Distributions					(33,435)		(6,525)	(39,960)
Proceeds from sale of common stock, net	31,625,000	316	587,695					588,011
Cash paid to non-accredited investors							(6,075)	(6,075)
Issuance of restricted stock	630,663	6	(6)					
Forfeiture of restricted stock	(1,951)							
Issuance of common shares and units for acquisition of properties	262,486	3	6,081			27,770		33,854
Proceeds from private placement						5,410		5,410
Notes receivable from affiliate settled in common units						(21,797)		(21,797)
Notes payable to affiliates settled in common units						828		828
Dividends declared and paid				(31,406)		(14,717)		(46,123)
Stock-based compensation			2,615					2,615
Distribution of investment in joint venture not acquired					(9,084)		(2,396)	(11,480)
Exchange of owners' equity for common stock and units	6,767,598	68	57,260		(96,350)	54,815	(15,793)	
Balance at December 31, 2011	39,283,796	393	653,645	(28,007)		53,697		679,728
Net income				35,467		16,134		51,601
Conversion of operating partnership units	372,654	4	7,092			(7,096)		
Issuance of restricted stock	10,015							
Forfeiture of restricted stock	(2,253)							
Dividends declared and paid				(33,085)		(15,367)		(48,452)
Stock-based compensation			2,852					2,852
Balance at December 31, 2012	39,664,212	\$ 397	\$ 663,589	\$ (25,625)	\$	\$ 47,368	\$	\$ 685,729

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

Table of Contents**American Assets Trust, Inc.****Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows****(In Thousands)**

	Year ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net income	\$ 51,601	\$ 19,324	\$ 2,174
Results from discontinued operations	(37,652)	(5,653)	(552)
Income from continuing operations	13,949	13,671	1,622
Adjustments to reconcile income from continuing operations to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Deferred rent revenue and amortization of lease intangibles	(6,967)	(3,735)	1,080
Depreciation and amortization	61,853	55,936	34,419
Amortization of debt issuance costs and debt fair value adjustments	3,911	3,883	503
Early extinguishment of debt		25,867	
Loan transfer and consent fees		8,808	
Gain on acquisition of controlling interests		(46,371)	(4,297)
Stock-based compensation expense	2,852	2,615	
Loss from real estate joint ventures		188	4,406
Distribution of earnings from real estate joint ventures			6,713
Other, net	2,422	2,666	800
Changes in operating assets and liabilities			
Change in restricted cash	(1,000)	97	(74)
Change in accounts receivable	63	(3,570)	(19)
Change in prepaid expenses and other assets	143	(2,040)	(5,155)
Change in accounts payable and accrued expenses	(1,799)	2,128	3,206
Change in security deposits and other liabilities	136	(943)	(45)
Net cash provided by operating activities of continuing operations	75,563	59,200	43,159
Net cash provided by operating activities of discontinued operations	382	6,164	5,187
Net cash provided by operating activities	75,945	65,364	48,346
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Acquisition of real estate, net of cash acquired	(273,990)	(231,558)	(32,962)
Capital expenditures	(34,582)	(10,777)	(3,929)
Change in restricted cash reserves for capital improvements	2,557	(3,069)	
Cash acquired from acquisition of controlling interests in real estate joint ventures		15,222	
Leasing commissions	(3,456)	(2,444)	(1,536)
Purchase of marketable securities		(33,103)	
Maturity of marketable securities	4,384	4,993	
Sale of marketable securities	23,191		
Distribution of capital from real estate joint ventures			10,607
Issuance of notes receivable to affiliate			(800)
Net cash used in investing activities of continuing operations	(281,896)	(260,736)	(28,620)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities of discontinued operations	87,601	29,047	(885)
Net cash used in investing activities	(194,295)	(231,689)	(29,505)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Issuance of secured notes payable	132,900	84,500	7,500
Repayment of secured notes payable	(34,626)	(264,250)	(12,873)
Defeasance costs on repayment of secured notes payable		(24,345)	
Proceeds from unsecured line of credit	164,000		
Repayment of unsecured line of credit	(164,000)		

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Loan transfer and consent fees paid		(8,350)	
Issuance of unsecured notes payable			36,200
Repayment of unsecured notes payable	(38,013)		(11,051)
Repayment of notes payable to affiliates	(19,279)		(2,401)
Debt issuance costs	(1,355)	(2,961)	(436)
Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net		596,541	
Proceeds from private placement of common units			5,410
Dividends paid to common stock and unitholders	(48,452)	(46,123)	
Payments to nonaccredited investors			(6,075)
Deferred offering costs	(361)		
Contributions from Predecessor s controlling and noncontrolling interests			7,665
Distributions to Predecessor s controlling and noncontrolling interests		(39,960)	(25,681)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	48,106	237,095	(1,077)
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(70,244)	70,770	17,764
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	112,723	41,953	24,189
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 42,479	\$ 112,723	\$ 41,953

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American Assets Trust, Inc.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Business and Organization

American Assets Trust, Inc. (which may be referred to in these financial statements as the Company, we, us, or our) is a Maryland corporation formed on July 16, 2010 that did not have any operating activity until the consummation of our initial public offering (the Offering) and the related acquisition of certain assets of our Predecessor (as defined below) on January 19, 2011. The Company is the sole general partner of American Assets Trust, L.P., a Maryland limited partnership formed on July 16, 2010 (the Operating Partnership). The Company's operations are carried on through our Operating Partnership and its subsidiaries, including our taxable REIT subsidiary. Since the formation of our Operating Partnership, the Company has controlled our Operating Partnership as its general partner and has consolidated its assets, liabilities and results of operations.

In connection with the Offering, on January 19, 2011 the following transactions were completed:

We issued a total of 31,625,000 shares of our common stock at \$20.50 per share.

We acquired, through a series of merger and contribution transactions (the Formation Transactions, as more fully described below), certain assets of our Predecessor and certain other entities. In exchange for such assets, the prior investors in such assets that were accredited investors were issued a total of 7,030,084 shares of our common stock and 18,145,039 common units of limited partnership interests in our Operating Partnership (common units), with an aggregate value of approximately \$516.1 million, and non-accredited prior investors were paid a total of approximately \$6.1 million in cash from the net proceeds of the Offering.

We entered into a \$250.0 million revolving credit facility (the credit facility) with an accordion feature to increase availability to \$400.0 million under specified circumstances.

We repaid \$342.0 million of indebtedness (including \$24.3 million of defeasance costs) and paid \$10.8 million, net of \$0.7 million prepaid by our Predecessor, for loan transfer and consent fees and credit facility origination fees from the net proceeds of the Offering.

The net proceeds from the Offering were approximately \$594.6 million, net of \$1.9 million of offering costs prepaid by our Predecessor, including the underwriters' overallotment option which was exercised in full (after deducting the underwriting discount and commissions and expenses of the Offering and Formation Transactions). We contributed the net proceeds of the Offering to our Operating Partnership in exchange for common units.

Our Predecessor is not a legal entity but rather a combination of entities whose assets included entities owned and/or controlled by Ernest S. Rady and his affiliates, including the Ernest Rady Trust U/D/T March 13, 1983 (the Rady Trust), which in turn owned (1) controlling interests in entities owning 17 properties and the property management business of American Assets, Inc. (AAI) (the controlled entities), and (2) noncontrolling interests in entities owning four properties (the noncontrolled entities) (the assets described at (1) and (2) are the Acquired Assets, and do not include our Predecessor's noncontrolling 25% ownership interest in Novato FF Venture, LLC, the entity that owns the Fireman's Fund Headquarters in Novato, California). The Formation Transactions included the acquisition by our Operating Partnership of the (a) Acquired Assets, (b) the entities that own Waikiki Beach Walk (a mixed-use property consisting of a retail portion and a hotel portion) (the Waikiki Beach Walk entities) and (c) the entities that own Solana Beach Towne Centre and Solana Beach Corporate Centre (the Solana Beach Centre entities) (including our Predecessor's ownership interest in these entities).

The Formation Transactions enabled us to (1) consolidate the ownership of our property portfolio under our Operating Partnership, (2) succeed to the property management business of AAI, (3) facilitate the Offering, and

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(4) qualify as a real estate investment trust (a REIT) for U.S. federal income tax purposes commencing with the taxable year ending December 31, 2011. As a result of the Formation Transactions, we are a vertically integrated and self-administered REIT with 114 employees providing substantial in-house expertise in asset management, property management, property development, leasing, tenant improvement construction, acquisitions, repositioning, redevelopment and financing.

We determined that our Predecessor was the acquirer for accounting purposes, and therefore the contribution or acquisition by merger of interests in the controlled entities was considered a transaction between entities under common control since our Executive Chairman, Ernest S. Rady or his affiliates, including the Rady Trust, owned the controlling interest in each of the entities comprising our Predecessor, which, in turn, owned a controlling interest in each of the controlled entities. As a result, the acquisition of interests in each of the controlled entities was recorded at our historical cost. The contribution or acquisition by merger of interests in certain of the noncontrolled entities, which include the Waikiki Beach Walk entities and the Solana Beach Centre entities (including our Predecessor's ownership interest in these noncontrolled entities), was accounted for as an acquisition under the acquisition method of accounting and recognized at the estimated fair value of acquired assets and assumed liabilities on the date of such contribution or acquisition.

Since these transactions occurred on January 19, 2011, the results of operations for the entities acquired by us in connection with the Offering and related Formation Transactions are not included in certain historical financial statements. More specifically, our financial condition as of December 31, 2011 and results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2011 reflect the financial condition and results of operation for our Predecessor together with the entities we acquired at the time of the Offering, namely, the Waikiki Beach Walk entities and the Solana Beach Centre entities, as well as First & Main, Lloyd District Portfolio and Solana Beach Highway 101, each acquired subsequent to the Offering. We have included the results of operations for the acquired entities in our consolidated statements of operations from the date of acquisition. Our financial condition as of December 31, 2012 and results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2012 include the results of operations for One Beach Street, City Center Bellevue and Geary Marketplace acquired in 2012. We have included the results of operations for the acquired entities in our consolidated statements of operations from the date of acquisition. Additionally, in August 2011, we sold Valencia Corporate Center, and in December 2012, we sold 160 King Street, and have reclassified our financial statements for all periods prior to the sales to reflect Valencia Corporate Center and 160 King Street as discontinued operations.

Prior to the Offering, the Predecessor's financial statements included investments in certain real estate joint ventures in which Ernest Rady and his affiliates had significant influence, but not control, over major decisions, including the decision to sell or refinance the properties. These investments, which represent noncontrolling 25% to 80% ownership interests, were accounted for using the equity method of accounting. The Predecessor's investments in certain real estate joint ventures for which it had unilateral control, evidenced by the ability to make all major decisions, such as the acquisition, sale or refinancing of the property without approval of the minority party, were combined in these financial statements as they were under the common control of Ernest Rady and his affiliates.

Any reference to the number of properties or units and square footage or acres are unaudited and outside the scope of our independent registered public accounting firm's audit of our financial statements in accordance with the standards of the United States Public Company Accounting Oversight Board.

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As of December 31, 2012, we owned or had a controlling interest in 23 office, retail, multifamily and mixed-use operating properties, the operations of which we consolidate. Additionally, as of December 31, 2012, we owned land at five of our properties that we classify as held for development. A summary of the properties owned by us is as follows:

Retail

Carmel Country Plaza

Carmel Mountain Plaza

South Bay Marketplace

Rancho Carmel Plaza

Lomas Santa Fe Plaza

Solana Beach Towne Centre

Del Monte Center

Geary Marketplace

The Shops at Kalakaua

Waialele Center

Alamo Quarry Market

Office

Torrey Reserve Campus

Solana Beach Corporate Centre

The Landmark at One Market

One Beach Street

First & Main

Lloyd District Portfolio

City Center Bellevue

Multifamily

Loma Palisades

Imperial Beach Gardens

Mariner's Point

Santa Fe Park RV Resort

Mixed-Use

Waikiki Beach Walk Retail and Hotel

Held for Development and Construction in Progress

Solana Beach Corporate Centre Land

Solana Beach Highway 101 Land

Sorrento Pointe Land

Torrey Reserve Land

Lloyd District Portfolio Land

Basis of Presentation

Our consolidated/combined financial statements include the accounts of the Company, our Operating Partnership and our subsidiaries. The equity interests of other investors in our Operating Partnership are reflected as noncontrolling interests. The combined financial statements of our Predecessor include the accounts of our Predecessor and all entities in which our Predecessor had a controlling interest. When our Predecessor was the general partner or managing member of a limited partnership or limited liability company, as the case may be, our Predecessor was presumed to control the limited partnership or limited liability company unless the limited partners or non-managing members possessed or possess either (1) the substantive ability to dissolve the partnership or otherwise remove our Predecessor as the general partner or managing member without cause (commonly referred to as "kick-out rights"), or (2) the right to participate in substantive operating and financial

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decisions of the limited partnership or limited liability company that were expected to be made in the course of their business. The equity interests of other investors were reflected as noncontrolling interests. Our Predecessor accounted for its interests in joint ventures which it did not control using the equity method of accounting.

All significant intercompany transactions and balances are eliminated in consolidation.

In August 2011, we sold Valencia Corporate Center. In December 2012, we sold 160 King Street. We have reclassified our financial statements for all periods prior to the sale to reflect Valencia Corporate Center and 160 King Street as discontinued operations. Unless noted otherwise, discussions in these notes pertain to our continuing operations.

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.

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows-Supplemental Disclosures

The following table provides supplemental disclosures related to the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Supplemental cash flow information			
Total interest costs incurred	\$ 58,074	\$ 54,580	\$ 43,251
Interest capitalized	\$ 746	\$	\$
Interest expense	\$ 57,328	\$ 54,580	\$ 43,251
Cash paid for interest, net of amounts capitalized (including discontinued operations)	\$ 55,349	\$ 52,713	\$ 45,634
Cash paid for income taxes	\$ 1,239	\$ 172	\$
Supplemental schedule of noncash investing and financing activities			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities for property under development	\$ 4,944	\$ 2,396	\$ 120
Assumption of debt upon acquisition (Note 2)	\$	\$ 268,008	\$ 133,000
Assumption of notes to affiliates upon acquisition (Note 2)	\$	\$ 14,824	\$
Acquisition of working capital deficit, net of cash (Note 2)	\$	\$ (4,176)	\$ (1,972)
Distribution of investment in joint venture not acquired	\$	\$ 11,480	\$
Issuance of common shares and units for acquisition of properties	\$	\$ 33,854	\$
Notes receivable from affiliate settled in common units	\$	\$ 21,797	\$
Notes payable to affiliates settled in common units	\$	\$ 828	\$
Reduction to capital for prepaid Offering costs	\$	\$ 1,974	\$

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Transfer taxes accrued at time of Offering	\$	\$	6,556	\$
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Offering Costs

In connection with the Offering, affiliates incurred legal, accounting and related costs, which were assumed or reimbursed by the Company upon the consummation of the Offering and such costs were deducted from the gross proceeds of the Offering.

Revenue Recognition and Accounts Receivable

Our leases with tenants are classified as operating leases. Substantially all such leases contain fixed rent escalations which occur at specified times during the term of the lease. Base rents are recognized on a straight-line basis from when the tenant controls the space through the term of the related lease, net of valuation adjustments, based on management's assessment of credit, collection and other business risks. Percentage rents, which represent additional rents based upon the level of sales achieved by certain tenants, are recognized at the end of the lease year or earlier if we have determined the required sales level is achieved and the percentage rents are collectible. Real estate tax and other cost reimbursements are recognized on an accrual basis over the periods in which the related expenditures are incurred.

Other property income includes parking income, general excise tax billed to tenants and fees charged to tenants at our multifamily properties. Other property income is recognized when earned. We recognize general excise tax gross, with the amounts billed to tenants and customers recorded in other property income and the related taxes paid as rental expense. The general excise tax included in other income was \$3.3 million, \$3.0 million and \$1.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. For a tenant to terminate its lease agreement prior to the end of the agreed term, we may require that they pay a fee to cancel the lease agreement. Lease termination fees for which the tenant has relinquished control of the space are generally recognized on the termination date. When a lease is terminated early but the tenant continues to control the space under a modified lease agreement, the lease termination fee is generally recognized evenly over the remaining term of the modified lease agreement.

We recognize revenue on the hotel portion of our mixed-use property from the rental of hotel rooms and guest services when the rooms are occupied and services have been provided. Food and beverage sales are recognized when the customer has been served or at the time the transaction occurs. Revenue from room rental is included in rental revenue on the statement of income. Revenue from other sales and services provided is included in other property income on the statement of income.

We make estimates of the collectability of our accounts receivable related to minimum rents, straight-line rents, expense reimbursements and other revenue. Accounts receivable and deferred rent receivable are carried net of this allowance for doubtful accounts. We generally do not require collateral or other security from our tenants, other than letters of credit or security deposits. Our determination as to the collectability of accounts receivable and correspondingly, the adequacy of this allowance, is based primarily upon evaluations of individual receivables, current economic conditions, historical experience and other relevant factors. The allowance for doubtful accounts is increased or decreased through bad debt expense. In some cases, primarily relating to straight-line rents, the collection of these amounts extends beyond one year. Our experience relative to unbilled straight-line rents is that a portion of the amounts otherwise recognizable as revenue is never billed to or collected from tenants due to early lease terminations, lease modifications, bankruptcies and other factors. Accordingly, the extended collection period for straight-line rents along with our evaluation of tenant credit risk may result in the nonrecognition of a portion of straight-line rental income until the collection of such income is reasonably assured. If our evaluation of tenant credit risk changes indicating more straight-line revenue is reasonably collectible than previously estimated and realized, the additional straight-line rental income is recognized as revenue. If our evaluation of tenant credit risk changes indicating a portion of realized straight-line rental income is no longer collectible, a reserve and bad debt expense is recorded. At December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, our allowance for doubtful accounts was \$1.2 million and \$1.1 million, respectively, and our allowance for deferred rent receivables was \$1.5 million and \$1.7 million, respectively. Total bad debt expense was \$0.6 million, \$2.0 million and \$0.6 million for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

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We recognize gains on sales of properties upon the closing of the transaction with the purchaser. Gains on properties sold are recognized using the full accrual method when (1) the collectability of the sales price is reasonably assured, (2) we are not obligated to perform significant activities after the sale, (3) the initial investment from the buyer is sufficient and (4) other profit recognition criteria have been satisfied. Gains on sales of properties may be deferred in whole or in part until the requirements for gain recognition have been met.

We receive various fee income from unconsolidated real estate joint ventures including property management fees, construction management fees, acquisition and disposition fees, leasing fees, asset management fees and financing fees. Fee income is recorded as earned in accordance with the respective fee agreement. Profit from these fees, if any, is eliminated to the extent of our ownership interest in these entities. Subsequent to the Formations Transactions and the acquisition of the outside interests in unconsolidated joint ventures, we no longer earn fee revenue (Note 16).

Real Estate

Land, buildings and improvements are recorded at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method. Estimated useful lives range generally from 30 years to a maximum of 40 years on buildings and major improvements. Minor improvements, furniture and equipment are capitalized and depreciated over useful lives ranging from 3 years to 15 years. Maintenance and repairs that do not improve or extend the useful lives of the related assets are charged to operations as incurred. Tenant improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the life of the related lease or their estimated useful life, whichever is shorter. If a tenant vacates its space prior to the contractual termination of its lease, the undepreciated balance of any tenant improvements are written off if they are replaced or have no future value. For the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, real estate depreciation expense was \$47.8 million, \$42.5 million and \$31.4 million, respectively, including amounts from discontinued operations.

Acquisitions of properties are accounted for in accordance with the authoritative accounting guidance on acquisitions and business combinations. Our methodology of allocating the cost of acquisitions to assets acquired and liabilities assumed is based on estimated fair values, replacement cost and appraised values. When we acquire operating real estate properties, the purchase price is allocated to land and buildings, intangibles such as in-place leases, and to current assets and liabilities acquired, if any. Such valuations include a consideration of the noncancelable terms of the respective leases as well as any applicable renewal periods. The fair values associated with below market renewal options are determined based on a review of several qualitative and quantitative factors on a lease-by-lease basis at acquisition to determine whether it is probable that the tenant would exercise its option to renew the lease agreement. These factors include: (1) the type of tenant in relation to the property it occupies, (2) the quality of the tenant, including the tenant's long term business prospects and (3) whether the fixed rate renewal option was sufficiently lower than the fair rental of the property at the date the option becomes exercisable such that it would appear to be reasonably assured that the tenant would exercise the option to renew. The value allocated to in-place leases is amortized over the related lease term and reflected as depreciation and amortization in the statement of income.

The value of above and below market leases associated with the original noncancelable lease terms are amortized to rental income over the terms of the respective noncancelable lease periods and are reflected as either an increase (for below market leases) or a decrease (for above market leases) to rental income in the statement of income. The value of the leases associated with below market lease renewal options that are likely to be exercised are amortized to rental income over the respective renewal periods. If a tenant vacates its space prior to contractual termination of its lease or the lease is not renewed, the unamortized balance of any in-place lease value is written off to rental income and amortization expense. Acquisition-related expenses are expensed in the period incurred.

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Capitalized Costs

We capitalize certain costs related to the development and redevelopment of real estate including pre-construction costs, real estate taxes, insurance and construction costs and salaries and related costs of personnel directly involved. Additionally, we capitalize interest costs related to development and significant redevelopment activities. Capitalization of these costs begins when the activities and related expenditures commence and cease when the project is substantially complete and ready for its intended use, at which time the project is placed in service and depreciation commences. Additionally, we make estimates as to the probability of certain development and redevelopment projects being completed. If we determine that the completion of development or redevelopment is no longer probable, we expense all capitalized costs which are not recoverable.

Impairment of Long Lived Assets

We review for impairment on a property by property basis. Impairment is recognized on properties held for use when the expected undiscounted cash flows for a property are less than its carrying amount at which time the property is written-down to fair value. Properties held for sale are recorded at the lower of the carrying amount or the expected sales price less costs to sell. The sale or disposal of a component of an entity is treated as discontinued operations. The operating properties sold by us typically meet the definition of a component of an entity and as such the revenues and expenses associated with sold properties are reclassified to discontinued operations for all periods presented.

Financial Instruments

The estimated fair values of financial instruments are determined using available market information and appropriate valuation methods. Considerable judgment is necessary to interpret market data and develop estimated fair values. The use of different market assumptions or estimation methods may have a material effect on the estimated fair value amounts. Accordingly, estimated fair values are not necessarily indicative of the amounts that could be realized in current market exchanges.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

We define cash and cash equivalents as cash on hand, demand deposits with financial institutions and short term liquid investments with an initial maturity of less than three months. Cash balances in individual banks may exceed the federally insured limit of \$250,000 by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the FDIC). No losses have been experienced related to such accounts. At December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, we had \$33.0 million and \$24.3 million, respectively, in excess of the FDIC insured limit. At December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011, we had \$0.9 million and \$82.1 million, respectively, in money market funds that are not FDIC insured.

Restricted Cash

Restricted cash consists of amounts held by lenders to provide for future real estate tax expenditures, insurance expenditures and reserves for capital improvements. Activity for accounts related to real estate tax and insurance expenditures is classified as operating activities in the statement of cash flows. Changes in reserves for capital improvements are classified as investing activities in the statement of cash flows.

Marketable Securities

Our portfolio of marketable securities was comprised of debt securities that are classified as trading. Trading securities are presented on our consolidated balance sheets at fair value at the end of each reporting period. Gains and losses resulting from the mark-to-market of these securities were recognized as unrealized and realized gains or losses in income.

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Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets

Prepaid expenses and other assets consist primarily of lease costs, lease incentives, acquired in-place leases, acquired above market leases and debt issuance costs. Capitalized lease costs are direct costs incurred which were essential to originate a lease and would not have been incurred had the leasing transaction not taken place and include third party commissions related to obtaining a lease. Capitalized lease costs are amortized over the life of the related lease and included in depreciation and amortization expense on the statement of income. If a tenant vacates its space prior to the contractual termination of its lease, the unamortized balance of any lease costs are written off. We view these lease costs as part of the up-front initial investment we made in order to generate a long-term cash inflow. Therefore, we classify cash outflows for lease costs as an investing activity in our consolidated statements of cash flows.

Costs related to the issuance of debt instruments are capitalized and are amortized as interest expense over the estimated life of the related issue using the straight-line method which approximates the effective interest method. If a debt instrument is paid off prior to its original maturity date, the unamortized balance of debt issuance costs are written off to interest expense or, if significant, included in early extinguishment of debt. For the year ended December 31, 2011, \$0.6 million in debt issuance costs were written off and included in early extinguishment of debt.

Variable Interest Entities

Certain entities that do not have sufficient equity at risk for the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties or in which equity investors do not have the characteristics of a controlling financial interest qualify as variable interest entities (VIEs). VIEs are required to be consolidated by their primary beneficiary. The primary beneficiary of a VIE is the party that has a controlling interest in the VIE. Identifying the party with the controlling interest requires a focus on which entity has the power to direct the activities of the VIE that most significantly impact the VIE's economic performance and (1) the obligation to absorb the expected losses of the VIE or (2) the right to receive the benefits from the VIE. We have evaluated our investments in certain joint ventures and determined that these joint ventures do not meet the requirements of a VIE and, therefore, consolidation of these ventures is not required. These investments are accounted for using the equity method. Our investment balances in our real estate joint ventures are presented separately in our consolidated balance sheets.

Investments in Real Estate Joint Ventures

We analyze our investments in real estate joint ventures under applicable guidance to determine if the venture is considered a VIE and would require consolidation. To the extent that the ventures do not qualify as VIEs, we further assess the venture to determine whether a general partner, or the general partners as a group, controls a limited partnership or similar entity when the limited partners have certain rights in order to determine whether consolidation is required.

We consolidate those ventures that are considered to be VIEs where we are the primary beneficiary. For non-VIEs, the Predecessor combined those ventures that Ernest Rady or the Rady Trust controlled through majority ownership interests or where the Predecessor was the managing member and the partner did not have substantive participating rights. Control is further demonstrated by the ability of the general partner to manage day-to-day operations, refinance debt and sell the assets of the venture without the consent of the limited partner and inability of the limited partner to replace the general partner. We use the equity method of accounting for those ventures where we do not have control over operating and financial policies. Under the equity method of accounting, the investment in each venture is included on our balance sheet; however, the assets and liabilities of the ventures for which we use the equity method are not included in the balance sheet. The investment is adjusted for contributions, distributions and our proportionate share of the net earnings or losses of each respective venture.

We assess whether there has been impairment in the value of our investments in real estate joint ventures periodically. An impairment charge is recorded when events or changes in circumstances indicate that a decline in the fair value below the carrying value has occurred and such decline is other-than-temporary. The ultimate realization of the investments in unconsolidated real estate joint ventures is dependent on a number of factors, including the performance of the investments and market conditions.

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Notes Receivable from Affiliate

Certain entities made loans to affiliates in order to attain a higher return on excess cash balances, and these loans were classified as notes receivable from affiliate at December 31, 2010. The notes bore interest at LIBOR and were to be repaid upon demand. The notes were settled as part of the Formation Transactions.

Notes Payable to Affiliates

Owners of certain entities made loans to the entities, and these loans were classified as notes payable to affiliates at December 31, 2010. The notes bore interest at 10% and matured in 2013. The notes were repaid using proceeds from the Offering or were settled as part of the Formation Transactions.

Stock-Based Compensation

We grant stock-based compensation awards to our employees and directors typically in the form of restricted shares of common stock, options to purchase common stock and/or shares of common stock. We measure stock-based compensation expense based on the fair value of the award on the grant date and recognize the expense ratably over the vesting period.

Deferred Compensation

Our Operating Partnership has adopted the American Assets Trust Executive Deferral Plan V (EDP V) and the American Assets Trust Executive Deferral Plan VI (EDP VI). These plans were adopted by our Operating Partnership as successor plans to those deferred compensation plans maintained by AAI in which certain employees of AAI, who were transferred to us in connection with the Offering (the Transferred Participants), participated prior to the Offering. EDP V and EDP VI contain substantially the same terms and conditions as these predecessor plans. AAI transferred to our Operating Partnership the Transferred Participants' account balances under the predecessor plans. These transferred account balances represent amounts deferred by the Transferred Participants prior to the Offering while they were employed by AAI.

At the time eligible participants defer compensation, we record compensation cost and a corresponding deferred compensation plan liability, which is included in other liabilities and deferred credits on our consolidated balance sheets. This liability is adjusted to fair value at the end of each accounting period based on the performance of the benchmark funds selected by each participant, and the impact of adjusting the liability to fair value is recorded as an increase or decrease to compensation cost.

Income Taxes

Prior to the Offering, we were comprised primarily of limited partnerships and limited liability companies. Under applicable federal and state income tax rules, the allocated share of net income or loss from the limited partnerships and limited liability companies was reportable in the income tax returns of the respective partners and members.

Subsequent to the Offering, we elected to be taxed as a REIT under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code) commencing with the taxable year ending December 31, 2011. To maintain our qualification as a REIT, we are required to distribute at least 90% of our REIT taxable income to our stockholders and meet the various other requirements imposed by the Code relating to such matters as operating results, asset holdings, distribution levels and diversity of stock ownership. Provided we maintain our qualification for taxation as a REIT, we are generally not subject to corporate level income tax on the earnings distributed currently to our stockholders that we derive from our REIT qualifying activities. If we fail to maintain our qualification as a REIT in any taxable year, and are unable to avail ourselves of certain savings provisions set

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forth in the Code, all of our taxable income would be subject to federal income tax at regular corporate rates, including any applicable alternative minimum tax. We are subject to certain state and local income taxes.

We, together with one of our subsidiaries, have elected to treat such subsidiary as a taxable REIT subsidiary (a TRS) for federal income tax purposes. Certain activities that we undertake must be conducted by a TRS, such as non-customary services for our tenants, and holding assets that we cannot hold directly. A TRS is subject to federal and state income taxes.

Segment Information

Segment information is prepared on the same basis that our management reviews information for operational decision-making purposes. We operate in four business segments: the acquisition, redevelopment, ownership and management of retail real estate, office real estate, multifamily real estate and mixed-use real estate. The products for our retail segment primarily include rental of retail space and other tenant services, including tenant reimbursements, parking and storage space rental. The products for our office segment primarily include rental of office space and other tenant services, including tenant reimbursements, parking and storage space rental. The products for our multifamily segment include rental of apartments and other tenant services. The products of our mixed-use segment include rental of retail space and other tenant services, including tenant reimbursements, parking and storage space rental and operation of a 369-room all-suite hotel.

Reclassifications

Certain items in the consolidated financial statements for prior periods have been reclassified to conform to current classifications.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2011, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued ASU No. 2011-04, *Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs* (ASU 2011-04), which amended ASC Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurement*. ASU 2011-04 clarifies the application of certain existing fair value measurement guidance and expands the disclosures for fair value measurements that are estimated using significant unobservable (Level 3) inputs. ASU 2011-04 became effective for annual and interim reporting periods beginning on or after December 15, 2011. The new guidance is to be adopted prospectively and early adoption is not permitted. The adoption of ASU 2011-04 did not have a significant impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-05, *Presentation of Comprehensive Income* (ASU 2011-05), which amended ASC Topic 220, *Comprehensive Income*. ASU 2011-05 eliminates the option to present components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of changes in equity and requires that all non-owner changes in equity be presented either in a single continuous statement of comprehensive income or in two separate but consecutive statements. In December 2011, the FASB deferred the requirement to present reclassification adjustments for each component of accumulated other comprehensive income in both net income and other comprehensive income on the face of the financial statements. ASU 2011-05 requires retrospective application and became effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2011. The adoption of ASU 2011-05 did not have a significant impact on our disclosures of comprehensive income, since we do not have comprehensive income.

In December 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-10, *Derecognition of in Substance Real Estate – a Scope Clarification (Topic 360)* (ASU 2011-10). This ASU modifies ASC Subtopic 360-20, which specifies circumstances under which the parent (reporting entity) of an in substance real estate entity derecognizes that in substance real estate. Generally, if the parent ceases to have a controlling financial interest (as described under ASC Subtopic 810-10) in the subsidiary as a result of a default on the subsidiary's nonrecourse debt, then the

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subsidiary s in substance real estate and related debt, as well as the corresponding results of operations, will continue to be included in the consolidated financial statements and not be removed from the consolidated results until legal title to the real estate is transferred. ASU 2011-10 became effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning on or after June 15, 2012. The adoption of ASU 2011-10 did not have a material effect on our financial position or results of operations.

In February 2013, the FASB issued ASU 2013-2, *Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Reporting Amounts Reclassified Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income*. ASU 2013-2 requires entities to disclose certain information relating to amounts reclassified out of accumulated other comprehensive income. This pronouncement is effective for us in the first quarter of 2013 and is not expected to have a significant impact to our consolidated financial statements.

NOTE 2. REAL ESTATE

A summary of our real estate investments is as follows (in thousands):

	Retail	Office	Multifamily	Mixed-Use	Total
December 31, 2012					
Land	\$ 247,884	\$ 138,977	\$ 18,477	\$ 76,635	\$ 481,973
Buildings	497,922	600,146	41,968	123,084	1,263,120
Land improvements	39,882	7,528	2,990	2,363	52,763
Tenant improvements	46,393	44,232		1,757	92,382
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	486	1,124	5,082	9,563	16,255
Construction in progress	1,903	30,021	1	258	32,183
	834,470	822,028	68,518	213,660	1,938,676
Accumulated depreciation	(165,293)	(62,825)	(32,127)	(10,249)	(270,494)
Net real estate	\$ 669,177	\$ 759,203	\$ 36,391	\$ 203,411	\$ 1,668,182
December 31, 2011					
Land	\$ 239,152	\$ 105,787	\$ 18,477	\$ 76,635	\$ 440,051
Buildings	480,511	395,546	41,632	122,985	1,040,674
Land improvements	38,887	8,663	2,835	2,363	52,748
Tenant improvements	39,818	30,106		1,766	71,690
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	457	996	4,570	9,022	15,045
Construction in progress	2,473	5,888		244	8,605 ⁽¹⁾
	801,298	546,986	67,514	213,015	1,628,813
Accumulated depreciation	(145,848)	(43,766)	(30,327)	(4,926)	(224,867)
Net real estate	\$ 655,450	\$ 503,220	\$ 37,187	\$ 208,089	\$ 1,403,946

(1) Construction in progress related to land held for development is included in the Held for Development classification on the consolidated balance sheets.

Acquisitions**2012 Acquisitions**

On January 24, 2012, we acquired One Beach Street, consisting of approximately 97,000 square feet in a three-story fully renovated historic office building located along the Embarcadero in San Francisco s North Waterfront District. The purchase price was approximately \$36.5 million, excluding closing costs of approximately \$0.02 million, which are included in other income (expense), net on the statement of income. The identified intangible assets and liabilities are being amortized over a weighted average life of 7.0 years.

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On August 21, 2012, we acquired City Center Bellevue, a 27-story LEED-EB Gold certified office tower, consisting of approximately 497,000 square feet, located in Bellevue, Washington. The purchase price was

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approximately \$228.8 million, excluding closing costs of approximately \$0.1 million, which are included in other income (expense), net on the statement of income. Additionally, we received credits to our purchase price of approximately \$6.9 million that primarily relate to outstanding tenant improvement obligations and rent abatements. The identified intangible assets and liabilities are being amortized over a weighted average life of 5.8 years.

On December 19, 2012, we acquired Geary Marketplace, a newly constructed, approximately 35,000 square foot, 100% leased, grocery-anchored shopping center in Walnut Creek, California. The purchase price was approximately \$21.0 million, excluding closing costs of approximately \$0.02 million, which are included in other income (expense), net on the statement of income. The identified intangible assets and liabilities are being amortized over a weighted average life of 19.84 years.

The fair values assigned to identifiable intangible assets acquired were based on estimates and assumptions determined by management. Using information available at the time the acquisition closed, we allocated the total consideration to tangible assets and liabilities and identified intangible assets and liabilities. The allocation of the purchase price for each of One Beach Street, City Center Bellevue and Geary Marketplace is as follows (in thousands):

	City			
	One Beach Street	Center Bellevue	Geary Marketplace	Total
Land	\$ 15,332	\$ 25,135	\$ 8,239	\$ 48,706
Building	16,764	185,653	11,179	213,596
Land improvements	30	154	704	888
Tenant improvements	1,223	5,191	470	6,884
Total real estate	33,349	216,133	20,592	270,074
Lease intangibles	4,141	11,870	1,017	17,028
Prepaid expenses and other assets	1	2,596	414	3,011
Total assets	\$ 37,491	\$ 230,599	\$ 22,023	\$ 290,113
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 94	\$ 456	\$	\$ 550
Security deposits payable	75	740		815
Lease intangibles	1,382	8,733	1,124	11,239
Other liabilities and deferred credits	22	497		519
Total liabilities	\$ 1,573	\$ 10,426	\$ 1,124	\$ 13,123

We have included the results of operations for One Beach Street, City Center Bellevue and Geary Marketplace in our consolidated statements of income from the date of acquisition. For the period of acquisition through December 31, 2012, One Beach Street contributed \$3.9 million to total revenue, \$1.0 million to operating expenses, \$2.9 million to operating income and \$0.6 million to net income. For the period of acquisition through December 31, 2012, City Center Bellevue contributed \$7.0 million to total revenue, \$1.6 million to operating expenses, \$5.4 million to operating income and an insignificant amount to net income. For the period of acquisition through December 31, 2012, Geary Marketplace contributed an insignificant amount to total revenue, expenses, operating income and net income.

2011 Acquisitions

As noted above, as part of the Formation Transactions, we acquired the controlling interests in the Waikiki Beach Walk entities and the Solana Beach Centre entities for Operating Partnership units and common shares with a value of approximately \$33.9 million. The contribution or acquisition by merger of interests in these entities was accounted for as an acquisition under the acquisition method of accounting and recognized at the estimated fair value of acquired assets and assumed liabilities on the date of such contribution or acquisition. Prior to acquisition, our Predecessor had an 80% noncontrolling interest in the Waikiki Beach Walk entities and a

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50% noncontrolling interest in the Solana Beach Centre entities. Upon acquisition, we remeasured the assets and liabilities at fair value and recorded gains of \$4.8 million and \$41.6 million on the Waikiki Beach Walk entities and the Solana Beach Centre entities, respectively, which are classified as gain on acquisition in the accompanying statement of income. These gains were calculated based on the difference between the fair value of our Predecessor's ownership interests of \$31.3 million and \$26.0 million compared to the Predecessor's historical cost interests of \$26.5 million and \$(15.6) million in the Waikiki Beach Walk entities and Solana Beach Centre entities, respectively.

The fair values assigned to identifiable intangible assets acquired were based on estimates and assumptions determined by management. Using information available at the time the acquisition closed, we allocated the total consideration to tangible assets and liabilities and identified intangible assets and liabilities. The identified intangible assets and liabilities are being amortized over a weighted average life of 5.4 years and 10.5 years for the Waikiki Beach Walk entities and Solana Beach Centre entities, respectively.

The allocation of the consideration paid for the assets and liabilities acquired in the Formation Transactions was as follows (in thousands):

	Solana Beach Towne Centre	Solana Beach Corporate Centre	Waikiki Beach Walk Retail and Hotel	Total
Land	\$ 40,980	\$ 14,896	\$ 76,635	\$ 132,511
Building	35,605	42,094	122,985	200,684
Land improvements	1,750	974	2,276	5,000
Tenant improvements	1,487	1,919	1,801	5,207
Furniture and fixtures			7,910	7,910
Total real estate	79,822	59,883	211,607	351,312
Cash and cash equivalents	957	718	13,547	15,222
Restricted cash	282	200	1,297	1,779
Accounts receivable, net	67		2,168	2,235
Lease intangibles	6,995	5,536	15,997	28,528
Prepaid expenses and other assets	22	45	266	333
Total assets	\$ 88,145	\$ 66,382	\$ 244,882	\$ 399,409
Secured notes payable	\$ 39,738	\$ 49,252	\$ 198,618	\$ 287,608
Fair market favorable debt value		(600)	(19,000)	(19,600)
Notes payable to affiliates			14,824	14,824
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	924	542	6,520	7,986
Security deposits payable	238	320	861	1,419
Lease intangibles	11,390	125	3,530	15,045
Other liabilities and deferred credits	192	331	442	965
Total liabilities	\$ 52,482	\$ 49,970	\$ 205,795	\$ 308,247

We have included the results of operations for each of these acquired entities in our consolidated statements of operations from January 19, 2011, the date of acquisition. For the period January 19, 2011 through December 31, 2011, the acquired entities contributed \$57.7 million to total revenue, \$48.0 million to operating expenses, \$9.7 million to operating income and \$(6.8) million to net income (loss).

On March 11, 2011, we acquired an approximately 361,000 square foot, 16-story, LEED Platinum certified office building located at 100 SW Main Street, in Portland, Oregon (First & Main). The purchase price for First & Main was approximately \$128.9 million, excluding closing costs of approximately \$0.1 million, which are included in other income (expense), net on the statement of income. The purchase was funded using cash on hand and structured to accommodate a reverse tax deferred exchange in conjunction with the sale of Valencia

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Corporate Center pursuant to the provisions of Section 1031 of the Code and applicable state revenue and taxation code sections.

On July 1, 2011, we acquired the Lloyd District Portfolio, consisting of approximately 610,000 rentable square feet on more than 16 acres located in the Lloyd District of Portland, Oregon. The Lloyd District Portfolio is comprised of six office buildings within four contiguous blocks, including (i) a condominium interest in the 20-story Lloyd Tower, (ii) the 16-story Lloyd 700 Building and (iii) four low-rise landmark buildings within Oregon Square. The purchase price was approximately \$91.6 million, excluding closing costs of approximately \$0.1 million, which are included in other income (expense), net on the statement of income. The purchase was funded using cash on hand.

On September 20, 2011, we acquired the Solana Beach Highway 101 property, consisting of approximately 1.7 acres located in Solana Beach, California. The purchase price was approximately \$6.8 million, excluding closing costs of approximately \$0.2 million, which are included in other income (expense), net on the statement of income. The purchase was funded through cash on hand. On December 14, 2011, we acquired an additional parcel adjacent to the original property, consisting of approximately 0.2 acres. The purchase price was approximately \$1.3 million. The purchase was funded through cash on hand. The property consists primarily of land held for future development.

The fair values assigned to identifiable intangible assets acquired were based on estimates and assumptions determined by management. Using information available at the time the acquisition closed, we allocated the total consideration to tangible assets and liabilities and identified intangible assets and liabilities. The identified intangible assets and liabilities are being amortized over a weighted average life of 11.4 years, 3.8 years and 1.5 years for First & Main, Lloyd District Portfolio and Solana Beach Highway 101, respectively. The allocation of the purchase prices was as follows (in thousands):

	First & Main	Lloyd District Portfolio	Solana Beach Highway 101	Total
Land	\$ 14,697	\$ 18,660	\$ 7,847	\$ 41,204
Building	102,597	53,325	190	156,112
Land improvements	151	1,444		1,595
Tenant improvements	6,991	5,909	12	12,912
Construction in progress		723		723
Total real estate	124,436	80,061	8,049	212,546
Accounts receivable, net	153			153
Lease intangibles	9,578	13,164	51	22,793
Prepaid expenses and other assets	296	10		306
Total assets	\$ 134,463	\$ 93,235	\$ 8,100	\$ 235,798
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 387	\$ 188	\$ 12	\$ 587
Security deposits payable		426	7	433
Lease intangibles	5,199	502		5,701
Other liabilities and deferred credits		519		519
Total liabilities	\$ 5,586	\$ 1,635	\$ 19	\$ 7,240

We have included the results of operations for First & Main, Lloyd District Portfolio and Solana Beach Highway 101 in our consolidated statements of income from the date of acquisition. For the period of acquisition through December 31, 2011, First & Main, Lloyd District Portfolio and Solana Beach Highway 101, collectively, contributed \$16.1 million to total revenue, \$12.9 million to operating expenses, \$3.2 million to operating income and \$1.1 million to net income.

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The unaudited financial information in the table below summarizes the combined results of operations of One Beach Street and City Center Bellevue with the historical results of operations of the Company, as though the entities were acquired on January 1, 2011. The pro forma financial information for the year ended December 31, 2011, also includes the pro forma results of operations of the Waikiki Beach Walk entities, Solana Beach Centre entities, First & Main, Lloyd District Portfolio and Solana Beach Highway 101 with the historical results of operations of the Company/Predecessor on a pro forma basis, as though the entities had been acquired on January 1, 2011. The pro forma financial information is presented for informational purposes only and is not indicative of the results of operations that would have been achieved if the acquisitions had taken place on January 1, 2011. The pro forma financial information includes adjustments to depreciation expense for acquired property and equipment, adjustments to amortization charges for acquired intangible assets and liabilities, adjustments to straight-line rent revenue and the removal of the gain on acquisition of the controlling interests of the Solana Beach Centre entities and Waikiki Beach Walk entities for the year ended December 31, 2012 and 2011.

The following table summarizes the unaudited pro forma financial information (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31, 2012		Year Ended December 31, 2011	
	As Reported	Pro Forma	As Reported	Pro Forma
Total revenue	\$ 235,466	\$ 244,884	\$ 202,785	\$ 232,341
Total operating expenses	163,560	173,858	146,442	174,292
Operating income	71,906	71,010	56,343	58,049
Net income (loss)	\$ 51,601	\$ 49,303	\$ 19,324	\$ (28,626) ⁽¹⁾

(1) The net loss for the year ended December 31, 2011 includes one-time expenses for the early extinguishment of debt and loan transfer and consent fees but excludes the gain on acquisition of the controlling interests in the Solana Beach Centre entities and the Waikiki Beach Walk entities.

Dispositions

On August 30, 2011, we sold Valencia Corporate Center for a sales price of \$31.0 million. The property is located in Santa Clarita, California and was previously included in our office segment. The decision to sell Valencia Corporate Center was a result of our desire to focus resources on our core, high-barrier-to-entry markets. The sale was completed as a reverse tax deferred exchange in conjunction with the acquisition of First & Main pursuant to the provisions of Section 1031 of the Code and applicable state revenue and taxation code sections. As a result of the sale, Valencia Corporate Center no longer serves as a borrowing base property under our revolving credit facility.

On December 4, 2012, we sold 160 King Street for a sales price of approximately \$93.8 million. The property is located in San Francisco, California and was previously included in our office segment. The decision to sell 160 King Street was a result of our desire to focus resources on our core, high-barrier-to-entry markets. The sale was completed as a reverse tax deferred exchange in conjunction with the acquisition of City Center Bellevue pursuant to the provisions of Section 1031 of the Code and applicable state revenue and taxation code sections. As a result of the sale, 160 King Street no longer serves as a borrowing base property under our revolving credit facility.

We determined that Valencia Corporate Center became a discontinued operation in the third quarter of 2011. We determined that 160 King Street became a discontinued operation in the fourth quarter of 2012. We have, therefore, classified Valencia Corporate Center's and 160 King Street's net assets, liabilities and operating results as discontinued operations on our balance sheets and our statements of income for all periods prior to the sale.

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Net revenue and net income from the property s discontinued operations were as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Net revenue from discontinued operations	\$ 6,734	\$ 10,133	\$ 11,203
Results from discontinued operations			
Income from discontinued operations	932	1,672	552
Gain on sale of real estate from discontinued operations	36,720	3,981	
Total income from discontinued operations	\$ 37,652	\$ 5,653	\$ 552

NOTE 3. INVESTMENTS IN REAL ESTATE JOINT VENTURES

As of December 31, 2010, our Predecessor had four joint venture arrangements with unrelated third parties. Our Predecessor owned from 25% to 80% of each of these ventures. For two of these ventures, our Predecessor was the general partner or managing member; however, the outside owners were either a co-general partner or had substantive participating rights, and our Predecessor could not make significant decisions without the outside owners approval. Accordingly, we accounted for these investments under the equity method. Our Predecessor acted as the manager of the three properties owned by these two ventures and received fees in accordance with service contracts (Note 16).

For the joint venture that owned a mixed-use property in Honolulu, Hawaii, our Predecessor had an effective 80% limited ownership interest in the property; however, the outside owner was the managing member and managed the day-to-day business of the property. In addition, our Predecessor did not have kick-out rights relating to the outside owner s managing membership interest. Accordingly, we accounted for these investments under the equity method of accounting.

The properties owned by these unconsolidated joint ventures at December 31, 2010 were as follows:

Property	Type	Location
Solana Beach Towne Centre	Retail	Solana Beach, CA
Solana Beach Corporate Centre	Office	Solana Beach, CA
Fireman s Fund Headquarters	Office	Novato, CA
Waikiki Beach Walk	Mixed Use	Honolulu, HI

As noted above, as part of the Formation Transactions, we acquired the unrelated third party s interest in Solana Beach Towne Centre, Solana Beach Corporate Centre and Waikiki Beach Walk. We consolidated the operations of these properties subsequent to the Formation Transactions. The Predecessor s ownership interest in Fireman s Fund Headquarters was not acquired, and rather the ownership interests in this entity were distributed to its owners as part of the Formation Transactions. In addition, we no longer receive fee income from these ventures.

The following tables provide summarized operating results and the financial position of the unconsolidated entities (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31, 2010
OPERATING RESULTS	
Revenue	\$ 88,762
Expenses	
Other operating expenses	34,607
Impairment loss ⁽¹⁾	38,465
Depreciation and amortization	29,012
Interest expense	29,835
Total expenses	131,919

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Net loss	\$	(43,157)
Our share of net loss	\$	(4,406) ⁽²⁾

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- (1) The venture recorded an impairment loss on the real estate property on the venture's financial statements during the year ended December 31, 2010. During 2008, we recorded an impairment of our equity method investment in the Fireman's Fund Headquarters real estate venture, as we determined that during 2008 the fair value of our equity method investment in the Fireman's Fund Headquarters was below our historical cost as a result of a reduction in real estate values due to the credit crisis that occurred during 2008. As a result, for the year ended December 31, 2010, we did not record our share of the impairment losses recorded on the venture's financial statements, as we believe our investment in the Fireman's Fund Headquarters joint venture at December 31, 2010 (adjusted for previously recorded impairment losses) was not impaired.
- (2) Excludes the gain recorded on the acquisition of The Landmark at One Market of \$4,297.

	Year Ended December 31, 2010 (In thousands)
BALANCE SHEET	
Real estate, net	\$ 456,714
Cash	14,995
Other assets	49,717
Total assets	\$ 521,426
Mortgages payable	\$ 459,922
Notes payable to affiliate	14,824
Other liabilities	20,982
Partners' capital	25,698
Total liabilities and partners' capital	\$ 521,426
Our share of unconsolidated debt	\$ 246,480
Our share of partners' capital	\$ (10,457)
Our investment in real estate joint ventures	\$ 39,816
Our distributions in excess of earnings of real estate joint ventures	(14,060)
Our investment in real estate joint ventures, net	\$ 25,756

The difference between our investment in real estate ventures and our share of the underlying capital is attributable to the following items which are included in our investments in the real estate ventures: estimated impairment losses relating to our investments, the allocation of fair value in excess of historical cost recorded upon formation of our investment in the venture, capitalized interest, and intercompany profit elimination adjustments. These differences are recognized by us in our share of net income or loss, which is included in other income (expense) in the consolidated statement of operations, and upon the sale of the real estate held by the real estate ventures.

NOTE 4. ACQUIRED IN-PLACE LEASES AND ABOVE/BELOW MARKET LEASES

The following summarizes our acquired lease intangibles, which are included in prepaid expenses and other assets and other liabilities and deferred credits (in thousands):

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
In-place leases	\$ 72,598	\$ 57,843
Accumulated amortization	(38,290)	(28,981)
Above market leases	32,846	32,820
Accumulated amortization	(21,363)	(16,284)
Acquired lease intangible assets, net	\$ 45,791	\$ 45,398

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Below market leases	\$ 80,071	\$ 68,958
Accumulated accretion	(25,721)	(20,346)
Acquired lease intangible liabilities, net	\$ 54,350	\$ 48,612

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The value allocated to in-place leases is amortized over the related lease term as depreciation and amortization expense in the statement of income. Above and below market leases are amortized over the related lease term as additional rental income for below market leases or a reduction of rental income for above market leases in the statement of income. Rental income (loss) included net amortization from acquired above and below market leases of \$(0.2) million, \$(1.1) million and \$(1.1) million in 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The remaining weighted-average amortization period as of December 31, 2012, is 6.4 years, 4.7 years and 12.1 years for in-place leases, above market leases and below market leases, respectively. Below market leases include \$21.6 million related to below market renewal options, and the weighted-average period prior to the commencement of the renewal options is 10.8 years.

Increases (decreases) in net income as a result of amortization of our in-place leases, above market leases and below market leases are as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Amortization of in-place leases	\$ (10,248)	\$ (8,859)	\$ (3,388)
Amortization of above market leases	(5,739)	(5,684)	(2,874)
Amortization of below market leases	5,502	4,567	1,802
Net loss	\$ (10,485)	\$ (9,976)	\$ (4,460)

As of December 31, 2012, the amortization for acquired in-place leases during the next five years and thereafter, assuming no early lease terminations, is as follows (in thousands):

	In-Place Leases	Above Market Leases	Below Market Leases
Year Ending December 31,			
2013	\$ 8,810	\$ 3,727	\$ 5,836
2014	6,047	2,296	5,119
2015	5,085	1,885	4,779
2016	4,187	1,360	4,609
2017	3,368	986	4,200
Thereafter	6,811	1,229	29,807
	\$ 34,308	\$ 11,483	\$ 54,350

NOTE 5. MARKETABLE SECURITIES

Our portfolio of marketable securities was comprised of debt securities that were classified as trading securities. Our marketable securities consisted of investments in mortgage-backed securities issued by the Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA securities). We reported our trading securities at fair value, using prices provided by independent market participants that are based on observable inputs using market-based valuation techniques (Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy-see Note 6). On August 20, 2012, we sold all of our outstanding GNMA securities with a realized loss of \$0.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. For the year ended December 31, 2011, gains and losses resulting from the mark-to-market of these securities were recognized as unrealized gains or losses in income. Unrealized (losses) and gains in our statement of income for the year ended December 31, 2011 were \$0.1 million and included in other income (expense).

NOTE 6. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

A fair value measurement is based on the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. The hierarchy for inputs used in measuring fair value is as follows:

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1. Level 1 Inputs quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities

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2. Level 2 Inputs observable inputs other than quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities

3. Level 3 Inputs unobservable inputs

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the level within which the fair value measurement is categorized is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Except as disclosed below, the carrying amount of our financial instruments approximates their fair value. Financial assets and liabilities whose fair values we measure on a recurring basis using Level 2 inputs consist of GNMA securities and our deferred compensation liability. We measure the fair values of these assets and liability based on prices provided by independent market participants that are based on observable inputs using market-based valuation techniques provided by third parties using proprietary valuation models and analytical tools as of December 31, 2012 and 2011. These valuation models and analytical tools use market pricing or similar instruments that are both objective and publicly available, including matrix pricing or reported trades, benchmark yields, broker/dealer quotes, issuer spreads, two-sided markets, benchmark securities, bids and/or offers. The Company validates the valuations received from its primary pricing vendors for its level 2 securities by examining the inputs used in that vendor's pricing process and determines whether they are reasonable and observable. The Company also compares those valuations to recent reported trades for those securities. The Company did not adjust any of the valuations received from these third parties with respect to any of its level 2 securities at December 31, 2012 and 2011.

The fair value of our secured notes payable and unsecured notes payable is sensitive to fluctuations in interest rates. Discounted cash flow analysis (Level 2) is generally used to estimate the fair value of our mortgages and notes payable, using rates ranging from 3.43% to 7.14%.

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 financial instruments, all of which are based on Level 2 inputs, is as follows (in thousands):

	December 31, 2012		December 31, 2011	
	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value
Marketable securities	\$	\$	\$ 28,235	\$ 28,235
Secured notes payable	1,044,682	1,116,162	912,067	941,582
Deferred compensation liability	\$ 637	\$ 637	\$ 520	\$ 520

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Prepaid expenses and other assets consist of the following (in thousands):

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Leasing commissions, net of accumulated amortization of \$16,829 and \$13,015, respectively	\$ 18,329	\$ 16,738
Acquired above market leases, net	11,483	16,536
Acquired in-place leases, net	34,308	28,862
Lease incentives, net of accumulated amortization of \$2,220 and \$1,850, respectively	1,480	1,850
Other intangible assets, net of accumulated amortization of \$4,239 and \$3,848, respectively	960	986
Debt issuance costs, net of accumulated amortization of \$2,374 and \$2,188, respectively	3,651	3,280
Purchase deposit		3,000
Prepaid expenses, deposits and other	3,459	3,172
Total prepaid expenses and other assets	\$ 73,670	\$ 74,424

Lease incentives are amortized over the term of the related lease and included as a reduction of rental income in the statement of income. The purchase deposit at December 31, 2011 relates to the acquisition of One Beach Street, in San Francisco, California. Such acquisition was completed on January 24, 2012 (Note 2).

NOTE 8. OTHER LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED CREDITS

Other liabilities and deferred credits consist of the following (in thousands):

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Acquired below market leases, net	\$ 54,350	\$ 48,612
Prepaid rent and deferred revenue	6,383	4,784
Straight-line rent liability	63	433
Deferred rent expense	1,008	1,122
Deferred compensation	637	520
Deferred tax liability	320	
Other liabilities	50	108
Total other liabilities and deferred credits	\$ 62,811	\$ 55,579

Straight-line rent liability relates to leases which have rental payments that decrease over time or one-time upfront payments for which the rental revenue is deferred and recognized on a straight-line basis.

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The following is a summary of our total debt outstanding as of December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 (in thousands):

Description of Debt	Principal Balance as of		Stated	Stated Maturity Date
	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011	Interest Rate as of December 31, 2012	
Alamo Quarry Market ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	\$ 93,942	\$ 96,027	5.67%	January 8, 2014
Waialeale Center ⁽⁴⁾	140,700	140,700	5.15%	November 1, 2014
The Shops at Kalakaua ⁽⁴⁾	19,000	19,000	5.45%	May 1, 2015
The Landmark at One Market ⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾	133,000	133,000	5.61%	July 5, 2015
Del Monte Center ⁽⁴⁾	82,300	82,300	4.93%	July 8, 2015
First & Main ⁽⁴⁾	84,500	84,500	3.97%	July 1, 2016
Imperial Beach Gardens ⁽⁴⁾	20,000	20,000	6.16%	September 1, 2016
Mariners Point ⁽⁴⁾	7,700	7,700	6.09%	September 1, 2016
South Bay Marketplace ⁽⁴⁾	23,000	23,000	5.48%	February 10, 2017
Waikiki Beach Walk Retail ⁽⁴⁾	130,310	130,310	5.39%	July 1, 2017
Solana Beach Corporate Centre III-IV ⁽⁵⁾	37,204	37,330	6.39%	August 1, 2017
Loma Palisades ⁽⁴⁾	73,744	73,744	6.09%	July 1, 2018
One Beach Street ⁽⁴⁾	21,900		3.94%	April 1, 2019
Torrey Reserve North Court ⁽¹⁾	21,659	21,921	7.22%	June 1, 2019
Torrey Reserve VCI, VCII, VCIII ⁽¹⁾	7,294	7,380	6.36%	June 1, 2020
Solana Beach Corporate Centre I-II ⁽¹⁾	11,637	11,788	5.91%	June 1, 2020
Solana Beach Towne Centre ⁽¹⁾	38,790	39,293	5.91%	June 1, 2020
City Center Bellevue ⁽⁴⁾	111,000		3.98%	November 1, 2022
Total	1,057,680	927,993		
Unamortized fair value adjustment	(12,998)	(15,926)		
Total Secured Notes Payable Balance	1,044,682	912,067		
Debt of Discontinued Operations Secured Notes Payable				
160 King Street ⁽³⁾		31,412	N/A	May 1, 2014
Total Debt Outstanding	\$ 1,044,682	\$ 943,479		

(1) Principal payments based on a 30-year amortization schedule.

(2) Maturity Date is the earlier of the loan maturity date under the loan agreement, or the Anticipated Repayment Date as specifically defined in the loan agreement, which is the date after which substantial economic penalties apply if the loan has not been paid off.

(3) Principal payments based on a 20-year amortization schedule. Note payable included in liabilities of discontinued operations as of December 31, 2011.

(4) Interest only.

(5) Loan was interest only through August 2012. Beginning in September 2012, principal payments are based on a 30-year amortization schedule.

We used a portion of net proceeds received from the Offering to repay in full certain outstanding indebtedness, including applicable prepayment costs, exit fees and defeasance costs. The defeasance costs of \$24.3 million are included in early extinguishment of debt, along with \$0.6 million of unamortized deferred loan fees and \$0.9 million of unamortized debt fair value adjustments that were written off related to loans repaid at the time of the Offering. Additionally, we paid \$9.0 million in loan transfer and consent fees to lenders, which were expensed as incurred, in order

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for the lenders to consent to the transfer of the existing loans at certain properties to the Operating Partnership as part of the Formation Transactions.

On October 10, 2012, we entered into a ten-year non-recourse mortgage loan with PNC Bank, National Association with an original principal amount of \$111.0 million. The loan is secured by a first-priority deed of trust on City Center Bellevue and an assignment of all leases, rents and security deposits relating to City Center Bellevue. The loan has a maturity date of November 1, 2022, bears interest at a fixed rate per annum of 3.98% and is interest only.

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On March 29, 2012, we entered into a seven-year non-recourse mortgage loan with PNC Bank, National Association with an original principal amount of \$21.9 million. The loan is secured by a first-priority deed of trust on One Beach Street and an assignment of all leases, rents and security deposits relating to One Beach Street. The loan has a maturity date of April 1, 2019, bears interest at a fixed rate per annum of 3.94% and is interest only.

On June 1, 2011, we entered into a five-year non-recourse mortgage loan with PNC Bank, National Association with an original principal amount of \$84.5 million. The loan is secured by a first-priority deed of trust on First & Main and an assignment of all leases, rents and security deposits relating to First & Main. The loan has a maturity date of July 1, 2016, bears interest at a fixed rate per annum of 3.97% and is interest only.

Certain loans require us to comply with various financial covenants, including the maintenance of minimum debt coverage ratios. As of December 31, 2012, we were in compliance with all loan covenants.

Scheduled principal payments on notes payable as of December 31, 2012 are as follows (in thousands):

2013	\$ 3,704
2014	233,993
2015	235,980
2016	113,974
2017	190,139
Thereafter	279,890
	\$ 1,057,680

Credit Facility

On January 19, 2011, in connection with the Offering, we entered into a credit facility pursuant to which a group of lenders provided commitments for a revolving credit facility allowing borrowings of up to \$250.0 million. During the third quarter of 2012, we drew approximately \$164.0 million on our credit facility in connection with our acquisition of City Center Bellevue. Additionally, during the fourth quarter of 2012, we repaid all outstanding principal and interest amounts related to our borrowings with the proceeds from the sale of 160 King Street. At December 31, 2012, our maximum allowable borrowing amount was \$226.3 million. The credit facility has an accordion feature that may allow us to increase the availability thereunder up to a maximum of \$400.0 million, subject to meeting specified requirements and obtaining additional commitments from lenders. No amounts have been borrowed on the credit facility to date. The credit facility bears interest at the rate of either LIBOR or a base rate, in each case plus a margin that will vary depending on our leverage ratio. The amount available for us to borrow under the credit facility is subject to the net operating income of our properties that form the borrowing base of the facility and a minimum implied debt yield of such properties.

On March 7, 2011, the credit facility was amended to allow us or our Operating Partnership to purchase GNMA securities with maturities of up to 30 years. On January 10, 2012, the credit facility was amended a second time to (1) extend the maturity date to January 10, 2016 (with a one-year extension option), (2) decrease the applicable interest rates and (3) modify certain financial covenants contained therein. On September 7, 2012, the credit facility was amended a third time to allow our consolidated total secured indebtedness to be up to 55% of our secured total asset value for the period commencing upon the date that a material acquisition (generally, greater than \$100 million) is consummated through and including the last day of the third fiscal quarter that follows such date.

The amended credit facility includes a number of customary financial covenants, including:

a maximum leverage ratio (defined as total indebtedness net of certain unrestricted cash and cash equivalents to total asset value) of 60%,

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a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio (defined as consolidated earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization to consolidated fixed charges) of 1.50x,

a maximum secured leverage ratio (defined as total secured indebtedness to secured total asset value) of up to 55% in circumstances,

a minimum tangible net worth equal to at least 75% of our tangible net worth at January 19, 2011, plus 85% of the net proceeds of any additional equity issuances (other than additional equity issuances in connection with any dividend reinvestment program), and

a \$35.0 million limit on the maximum principal amount of recourse indebtedness we may have outstanding at any time, other than under the credit facility.

The credit facility provides that our annual distributions may not exceed the greater of (1) 95.0% of our funds from operations (FFO) or (2) the amount required for us to (a) qualify and maintain our REIT status and (b) avoid the payment of federal or state income or excise tax. If certain events of default exist or would result from a distribution, we may be precluded from making distributions other than those necessary to qualify and maintain our status as a REIT.

We and certain of our subsidiaries guarantee the obligations under the credit facility, and certain of our subsidiaries pledged specified equity interests in our subsidiaries as collateral for our obligations under the credit facility.

As of December 31, 2012, we were in compliance with all credit facility covenants.

NOTE 10. EQUITY

Noncontrolling Interests

Noncontrolling interests in our Operating Partnership are interests in the Operating Partnership that are not owned by us. Noncontrolling interests consisted of 18,023,435 common units (the noncontrolling common units), and represented approximately 32% of the ownership interests in our Operating Partnership at December 31, 2012. Common units and shares of our common stock have essentially the same economic characteristics in that common units and shares of our common stock share equally in the total net income or loss distributions of our Operating Partnership. Investors who own common units have the right to cause our Operating Partnership to redeem any or all of their common units for cash equal to the then-current market value of one share of our common stock, or, at our election, shares of our common stock on a one-for-one basis.

On February 14, 2011, we completed a private placement transaction of 251,050 common units for approximately \$5.4 million.

During the year ended December 31, 2012, 372,654 common units were converted into shares of our common stock.

Preferred Stock Authorized Shares

We have authorized to issue 10,000,000 shares of preferred stock with a par value of \$0.01, of which no shares were outstanding at December 31, 2012. Upon issuance, our Board of Directors has the ability to define the terms of the preferred shares, including voting rights, liquidation preferences, conversion and redemption provisions and dividend rates.

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Dividends

The following table lists the dividends declared and paid on our shares of common stock and noncontrolling common units for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011:

Period	Amount per Share/Unit	Period Covered	Dividend Paid Date
First Quarter 2011	\$ 0.17	January 19, 2011 to March 31, 2011	March 31, 2011
Second Quarter 2011	\$ 0.21	April 1, 2011 to June 30, 2011	June 30, 2011
Third Quarter 2011	\$ 0.21	July 1, 2011 to September 30, 2011	September 30, 2011
Fourth Quarter 2011	\$ 0.21	October 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011	December 29, 2011
First Quarter 2012	\$ 0.21	January 1, 2012 to March 31, 2012	March 30, 2012
Second Quarter 2012	\$ 0.21	April 1, 2012 to June 30, 2012	June 29, 2012
Third Quarter 2012	\$ 0.21	July 1, 2012 to September 30, 2012	September 28, 2012
Fourth Quarter 2012	\$ 0.21	October 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012	December 28, 2012

Taxability of Dividends

Earnings and profits, which determine the taxability of distributions to stockholders and holders of common units, may differ from income reported for financial reporting purposes due to the differences for federal income tax purposes in the treatment of loss on extinguishment of debt, revenue recognition and compensation expense and in the basis of depreciable assets and estimated useful lives used to compute depreciation. A summary of the income tax status of dividends per share paid is as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2012		2011	
	Per Share	%	Per Share	%
Ordinary income	\$ 0.56	66.7%	\$ 0.22	27.5%
Return of capital	0.28	33.3%	0.58	72.5%
Total	\$ 0.84	100.0%	\$ 0.80	100.0%

Stock-Based Compensation

In connection with Offering, we adopted our 2011 Equity Incentive Award Plan (2011 Plan). The 2011 Plan provides for grants to directors, employees and consultants of the Company and the Operating Partnership of stock options, restricted stock, dividend equivalents, stock payments, performance shares, LTIP units, stock appreciation rights and other incentive awards. An aggregate of 4,054,411 shares of our common stock are authorized for issuance under awards granted pursuant to the 2011 Plan, and as of December 31, 2012, 3,421,189 shares of common stock remain available for future issuance.

Concurrently with the closing of the Offering, we made grants of restricted shares of our common stock to certain executive officers under the 2011 Plan. At such time, we granted to such executive officers a total of 198,000 shares that are subject to timing-based vesting and 297,000 shares that are subject to performance-based vesting, with fair market values of \$4.1 million for the timing-based vesting awards and \$3.9 million for the performance-based vesting awards. Those awards subject to time-based vesting will vest, subject to the recipient's continued employment, in two substantially equal installments on each of the third and fourth anniversaries of the date of grant. The vesting of those restricted stock awards subject to performance-based vesting is based on the achievement of absolute and relative total stockholder return hurdles over a three-year performance period, commencing on January 19, 2011. Following the completion of the three-year performance period, our compensation committee will determine the number of shares to which the executive officer is entitled based on our performance relative to the performance hurdles set forth in the restricted stock award agreement he entered into in connection with his initial award grant. These shares will then vest in two

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substantially equal installments, with the first installment vesting on the third anniversary of the date of grant and the second installment vesting on the fourth anniversary of the date of grant, subject to the executive officer's continued employment on those dates.

Concurrently with the closing of the Offering, we also granted each of our non-employee directors 1,951 restricted shares of our common stock pursuant to the 2011 Plan. These awards of restricted stock will vest ratably as to one-third of the shares granted on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant, subject to the director's continued service on our board of directors, and had an aggregate fair value of \$0.2 million on the date of the grants. On June 29, 2011, one of our directors notified us of his resignation as a director of the Company and, as a result, immediately forfeited the 1,951 restricted shares of our common stock previously granted to him, none of which had vested. On August 5, 2011, we granted 1,957 restricted shares of our common stock to a new non-employee director, with a fair value of \$0.04 million on the date of the grant. The restricted stock will vest ratably as to one-third of the shares granted on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant, subject to the director's continued service on our board of directors.

We granted each of our non-employee directors restricted shares of our common stock pursuant to the 2011 Plan, either concurrently with the closing of the Offering or at the time the director was formally appointed to our board of directors (the Board). Additionally, on July 10, 2012, we granted a total of 8,015 restricted shares of our common stock to members of our Board. These awards of restricted stock will vest ratably as to one-third of the shares granted on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant, subject to the director's continued service on our Board pursuant to our independent director compensation policy.

On March 16, 2011, we granted a total of 123,950 restricted shares of our common stock to certain other employees pursuant to the 2011 Plan with a fair value of \$1.6 million. These shares are subject to performance-based vesting, with the terms described above related to performance-based vesting.

For the performance-based stock awards, the fair value of the awards was estimated using a Monte Carlo Simulation model. Our stock price, along with the stock prices of the group of peer REITs, is assumed to follow the Multivariate Geometric Brownian Motion Process. Multivariate Geometric Brownian Motion is a common assumption when modeling in financial markets, as it allows the modeled quantity (in this case, the stock price) to vary randomly from its current value and take any value greater than zero. The volatilities of the returns on the stock price of the Company and the group REITs were estimated based on a three year look-back period. The expected growth rate of the stock prices over the derived service period of the employee is determined with consideration of the risk free rate as of the grant date. For the restricted stock grants that are time-vesting, we estimate the stock compensation expense based on the fair value of the stock at the grant date.

The following table summarizes the activity of non-vested restricted stock awards during the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011:

	2012		2011	
	Units	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value	Units	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Balance at beginning of year	628,712	\$ 15.43		\$
Granted	10,015	22.50	630,663	15.43
Vested	(3,252)	20.49		
Forfeited	(2,253)	12.52	(1,951)	20.50
Balance at end of year	633,222	\$ 15.64	628,712	\$ 15.43

We recognize noncash compensation expense ratably over the vesting period, and accordingly, we recognized \$2.9 million and \$2.6 million in noncash compensation expense for the years ended December 31,

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2012 and 2011, each of which is included in general and administrative expense on the statement of income. Unrecognized compensation expense was \$4.4 million at December 31, 2012, which will be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.6 years.

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 security is calculated according to dividends declared and participation rights in undistributed earnings. For the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, we had a weighted average of approximately 629,493 and 578,489 unvested shares outstanding, respectively, which are considered participating securities. Therefore, we have allocated our earnings for basic and diluted EPS between common shares and unvested shares.

Diluted EPS is calculated by dividing the net income applicable to common stockholders for the period by the weighted average number of common and dilutive instruments outstanding during the period using the treasury stock method. For the year ended December 31, 2012, diluted shares exclude incentive restricted stock as these awards are considered contingently issuable. Additionally, the unvested restricted stock awards subject to time vesting are anti-dilutive for all periods presented and accordingly, have been excluded from the weighted average common shares used to compute diluted EPS.

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The computation of basic and diluted EPS is presented below (dollars in thousands, except share and per share amounts):

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2012	2011
NUMERATOR		
Income from continuing operations	\$ 13,949	\$ 13,671
Less: Net income attributable to restricted shares	(529)	(482)
Plus: Loss from continuing operations attributable to Predecessor's noncontrolling interests in consolidated real estate entities		2,455
Less: Income from continuing operations attributable to Predecessor's controlled owners' equity		(16,962)
Plus: Loss from continuing operations attributable to unitholders in the Operating Partnership	(4,239)	425
Income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to American Assets Trust, Inc. common stockholders - basic	9,181	(893)
Plus: Results from discontinued operations attributable to American Assets Trust, Inc. common stockholders	25,758	3,810
Net income attributable to common stockholders - basic	\$ 34,939	\$ 2,917
Income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to American Assets Trust, Inc. common stockholders - basic	\$ 9,181	\$ (893)
Less: Income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to unitholders in the Operating Partnership	4,239	(425)
Income (loss) from continuing operations attributable to common stockholders - diluted	13,420	(1,318)
Plus: Results from discontinued operations attributable to American Assets Trust, Inc. common stockholders	25,758	3,810
Plus: Results from discontinued operations attributable to unitholders in the Operating Partnership	11,894	1,813
Net income attributable to common stockholders - diluted	\$ 51,072	\$ 4,305
DENOMINATOR		
Weighted average common shares outstanding - basic	38,736,113	36,748,806
Effect of dilutive securities - conversion of Operating Partnership units	18,317,796	17,471,001
Weighted average common shares outstanding - diluted	57,053,909	54,219,807
Earnings (loss) per common share - basic		
Continuing operations	\$ 0.24	\$ (0.02)
Discontinued operations	0.66	0.10
	\$ 0.90	\$ 0.08
Earnings (loss) per common share - diluted		
Continuing operations	\$ 0.24	\$ (0.02)
Discontinued operations	0.66	0.10
	\$ 0.90	\$ 0.08

NOTE 11. INCOME TAXES

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We elected to be taxed as a REIT and operate in a manner that allows us to qualify as a REIT, for federal income tax purposes commencing with our taxable year ending December 31, 2011. As a REIT, we are generally not subject to corporate level income tax on the earnings distributed currently to our stockholders that we derive from our REIT qualifying activities. Taxable income from non-REIT activities managed through our TRS is subject to federal and state income taxes.

We lease our hotel property to a wholly owned TRS that is subject to federal and state income taxes. We account for income taxes using the asset and liability method, under which deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between GAAP carrying amounts and their respective tax bases. Additionally, we classify certain state taxes as income taxes for financial reporting purposes

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in accordance with ASC Topic 740, Income Taxes. We record the Portland Business Tax and Texas Margin Tax as income taxes in our financial statements.

A deferred tax liability is included in our Consolidated Balance Sheets of \$0.3 million as of December 31, 2012 in relation to real estate asset basis differences for Alamo Quarry Market and certain elections made in our 2011 return for our TRS. No deferred tax liability was recorded as of December 31, 2011.

The income tax provision included in other income (expense) on the consolidated statement of income is as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31, 2012	Year Ended December 31, 2011
Current:		
Federal	\$ 361	\$ 483
State	335	90
Deferred:		
Federal	\$ 118	\$
State	\$ 202	\$
Provision for income taxes	\$ 1,016	\$ 573

NOTE 12. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Legal

We are sometimes involved in various disputes, lawsuits, warranty claims, environmental and other 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 as owner of the properties due to certain matters relating to the operation of the properties by the tenant.

Commitments

At The Landmark at One Market, we lease, as lessee, a building adjacent to The Landmark under an operating lease effective through June 30, 2016, which we have the option to extend until 2026 by way of two five-year extension options.

At Waikiki Beach Walk, we sublease a portion of the building of which Quiksilver is currently in possession, under an operating lease effective through December 31, 2021, which we have the option to extend at fair rental value in the event the sublessor extends its lease for the space with the master landlord. The lease payments under the lease will increase by approximately 3.4% annually through 2017 and, thereafter, will be equal to fair rental value, as defined in the lease, through lease expiration.

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Current minimum annual payments under the leases are as follows, as of December 31, 2012 (in thousands):

2013	\$ 2,502
2014	2,569
2015	2,636
2016	1,709
2017	736
Thereafter	2,961 ⁽¹⁾
	\$ 13,113

(1) Lease payments on the Waikiki Beach Walk lease will be equal to fair rental value from March 2017 through the end of the lease term. In the table, we have shown the lease payments for this period based on the stated rate for the month of February 2017 of \$61,690.

We have management agreements with Outrigger Hotels & Resorts or an affiliate thereof (Outrigger) pursuant to which Outrigger manages each of the retail and hotel portions of the Waikiki Beach Walk property. Under the management agreement with Outrigger relating to the retail portion of Waikiki Beach Walk (the retail management agreement), we pay Outrigger a monthly management fee of 3.0% of net revenues from the retail portion of Waikiki Beach Walk. Pursuant to the terms of the retail management agreement, if the agreement is terminated in certain instances, including our election not to repair damage or destruction at the property, a condemnation or our failure to make required working capital infusions, we would be obligated to pay Outrigger a termination fee equal to the sum of the management fees paid for the two calendar months immediately preceding the termination date. The retail management agreement may not be terminated by us or by Outrigger without cause. Under our management agreement with Outrigger relating to the hotel portion of Waikiki Beach Walk (the hotel management agreement), we pay Outrigger a monthly management fee of 6.0% of the hotel s gross operating profit, as well as 3.0% of the hotel s gross revenues; provided that the aggregate management fee payable to Outrigger for any year shall not exceed 3.5% of the hotel s gross revenues for such fiscal year. Pursuant to the terms of the hotel management agreement, if the agreement is terminated in certain instances, including upon a transfer by us of the hotel or upon a default by us under the hotel management agreement, we would be required to pay a cancellation fee calculated by multiplying (1) the management fees for the previous 12 months by (2) (a) eight, if the agreement is terminated in the first 11 years of its term, or (b) four, three, two or one, if the agreement is terminated in the twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth or fifteenth year, respectively, of its term. The hotel management agreement may not be terminated by us or by Outrigger without cause.

A wholly owned subsidiary of our Operating Partnership, WBW Hotel Lessee LLC, entered into a franchise license agreement with Embassy Suites Franchise LLC, the franchisor of the brand Embassy Suites , to obtain the non-exclusive right to operate the hotel under the Embassy Suites brand for 20 years. The franchise license agreement provides that WBW Hotel Lessee LLC must comply with certain management, operational, record keeping, accounting, reporting and marketing standards and procedures. In connection with this agreement, we are also subject to the terms of a product improvement plan pursuant to which we expect to undertake certain actions to ensure that our hotel s infrastructure is maintained in compliance with the franchisor s brand standards. In addition, we must pay to Embassy Suites Franchise LLC a monthly franchise royalty fee equal to 4.0% of the hotel s gross room revenue through December 2021 and 5.0% of the hotel s gross room revenue thereafter, as well as a monthly program fee equal to 4.0% of the hotel s gross room revenue. If the franchise license is terminated due to our failure to make required improvements or to otherwise comply with its terms, we may be liable to the franchisor for a termination payment, which could be as high as \$5.7 million based on operating performance through December 31, 2012.

In connection with our acquisition of Lloyd District Portfolio, we entered into a property management agreement with Ashforth Pacific, Inc., which was subsequently assigned to Langley Investment Properties, Inc. (Langley). Pursuant to the property management agreement, Langley manages and operates Lloyd District Portfolio, and we pay Langley a monthly management fee of 3.5% of gross receipts, as defined in the property management agreement, as well as leasing commissions and construction oversight fees in certain situations. The

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property management agreement is for an initial term of two years, with three one-year renewal options, exercisable by us in our sole discretion. The property management agreement may not be terminated by us or by Langley without cause during the initial term, except by mutual consent of both parties. On February 1, 2013, we agreed to terminate our property management agreement with Langley.

Our Del Monte Center property has ongoing environmental remediation related to ground water contamination. The environmental issue existed at purchase and remediation is expected to conclude within the next three years. The work performed is financed through an escrow account funded by the seller upon purchase of the property. We believe the funds in the escrow account are sufficient for the remaining work to be performed. However, if further work is required costing more than the remaining escrow funds, we could be required to pay such overage, although we may have a contractual claim for such costs against the prior owner or our environmental remediation consultant.

In connection with the Formation Transactions, we entered into tax protection agreements with certain limited partners of our Operating Partnership. These agreements provide that if we dispose of any interest with respect to Carmel Country Plaza, Carmel Mountain Plaza, Del Monte Center, Loma Palisades, Lomas Santa Fe Plaza, Waikele Center or the ICW Plaza portion of Torrey Reserve Campus, in a taxable transaction during the period from the closing of the Offering through January 19, 2018, we will indemnify such limited partners for their tax liabilities attributable to their share of the built-in gain that existed with respect to such property interest as of the time of the Offering and tax liabilities incurred as a result of the reimbursement payment. Subject to certain exceptions and limitations, the indemnification rights will terminate for any such protected partner that sells, exchanges or otherwise disposes of more than 50% of his or her common units. We have no present intention to sell or otherwise dispose of the properties or interest therein in taxable transactions during the restriction period. If we were to trigger the tax protection provisions under these agreements, we would be required to pay damages in the amount of the taxes owed by these limited partners (plus additional damages in the amount of the taxes incurred as a result of such payment).

Concentrations of Credit Risk

Our properties are located in Southern California, Northern California, Hawaii, Oregon, Texas and Washington. The ability of the tenants to honor the terms of their respective leases is dependent upon the economic, regulatory and social factors affecting the markets in which the tenants operate. Thirteen of our consolidated properties, representing 31.1% of our total revenue for the year ended December 31, 2012, are located in Southern California, which exposes us to greater economic risks than if we owned a more geographically diverse portfolio. Our mixed-use property located in Honolulu, Hawaii accounted for 21.5% of total revenues for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Tenants in the retail industry accounted for 39.1% and 42.7% of total revenues for the years December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. This makes us susceptible to demand for retail rental space and subject to the risks associated with an investment in real estate with a concentration of tenants in the retail industry. Two retail properties, Alamo Quarry Market and Waikele Center, accounted for 17.1% and 19.1% of total revenues for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

For the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, no tenant accounted for more than 10% of our total rental revenue. At December 31, 2012, salesforce.com, inc. at The Landmark at One Market accounted for 6.6% of total annualized base rent. Five other tenants (Lowe's, Kmart, Veterans Benefits Administration, Autodesk, Inc. and Microsoft Corporation) comprise 10.7% of our total annualized base rent at December 31, 2012, in the aggregate. No other tenants represent greater than 2.0% of our total annualized base rent. Total annualized base rent used for the percentage calculations includes the annualized base rent as of December 31, 2012 for our office properties, retail properties and the retail portion of our mixed-use property.

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At December 31, 2012, our retail, office and mixed-use properties are located in five states: California, Oregon, Hawaii, Washington and Texas. At December 31, 2012, we had approximately 837 leases with office and retail tenants, including the retail portion of our mixed-use property. Our multifamily properties are located in Southern California, and we had approximately 780 leases with residential tenants at December 31, 2012, excluding Santa Fe Park RV Resort.

Our leases with office, retail, mixed-use and residential tenants are classified as operating leases. Leases at our office and retail properties and the retail portion of our mixed-use property generally range from three to ten years (certain leases with anchor tenants may be longer), and in addition to minimum rents, usually provide for cost recoveries for the tenant's share of certain operating costs and also may include percentage rents based on the tenant's level of sales achieved. Leases on apartments generally range from 7 to 15 months, with a majority having 12 month lease terms. Rooms at the hotel portion of our mixed-use property are rented on a nightly basis.

As of December 31, 2012, minimum future rentals from noncancelable operating leases before any reserve for uncollectible amounts and assuming no early lease terminations, at our office and retail properties and the retail portion of our mixed-use property are as follows for the years ended December 31 (in thousands):

2013	\$ 150,979
2014	132,087
2015	119,871
2016	101,595
2017	86,081
Thereafter	152,651
Total	\$ 743,264

The above future minimum rentals exclude residential leases and exclude the hotel, as rooms are rented on a nightly basis.

NOTE 14. COMPONENTS OF RENTAL INCOME AND EXPENSE

The principal components of rental income are as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Minimum rents			
Retail	\$ 67,046	\$ 63,996	\$ 57,509
Office	71,817	53,457	23,661
Multifamily	13,796	13,246	13,076
Mixed-Use	8,893	8,478	
Cost reimbursement	27,763	24,463	18,576
Percentage rent	2,608	1,967	1,217
Hotel revenue	31,729	27,125	
Other	1,597	1,436	1,126
Total rental income	\$ 225,249	\$ 194,168	\$ 115,165

Minimum rents include \$7.2 million, \$4.8 million and none for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively, to recognize minimum rents on a straight-line basis. In addition, minimum rents include \$(0.2) million, \$(1.1) million and \$(1.1) million for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively, to recognize the amortization of above and below market leases.

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The principal components of rental expenses are as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Rental operating	\$ 24,264	\$ 22,008	\$ 12,415
Hotel operating	20,905	18,885	
Repairs and maintenance	9,452	8,082	5,102
Marketing	1,266	1,390	674
Rent	2,378	2,767	1,182
Hawaii excise tax	3,813	3,379	1,058
Management fees	2,011	1,622	89
Total rental expenses	\$ 64,089	\$ 58,133	\$ 20,520

NOTE 15. OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)

The principal components of other income (expense), net are as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Interest and investment income	\$ 336	\$ 1,621	\$ 73
Income tax expense	(1,016)	(831)	
Loss from real estate joint ventures		(188)	(4,406)
Acquisition related expenses	(152)	(434)	
Fee income from real estate joint ventures		44	2,487
Other non-operating income	203		
Total other income (expense)	\$ (629)	\$ 212	\$ (1,846)

NOTE 16. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Prior to the Offering and Formation Transactions, we acted as the manager for certain unconsolidated real estate joint ventures and earned fees for these services (excluding Waikiki Beach Walk). Each unconsolidated joint venture (excluding Waikiki Beach Walk) had a master management agreement with additional agreements covering property management, construction management, acquisition, disposition and leasing and asset management. These agreements provided for the following fees to be paid to us by these unconsolidated joint ventures:

Property Management Fees Property management fees were incurred for the operation and management of the properties. Fees ranged from 1.25% to 5.5% of gross monthly cash collections each month, with minimum monthly fees ranging from \$2,500 to \$5,000.

Construction Management Fees Construction management fees were incurred for the management and supervision of construction projects owned by the unconsolidated joint ventures. Fees ranged from 3.0% to 5.0% of construction and development costs on buildings and improvements for most properties although certain agreements provided for a flat fee. For tenant improvements, fees were 10.0% of costs for projects where we directly supervised construction subcontractors or 3.0% for projects where we managed a general contractor, plus hourly fees for employees directly working on the tenant improvements.

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Acquisition and Disposition Fees Acquisition and disposition fees were incurred for services provided in conjunction with acquisition and disposition of the properties owned by the unconsolidated real estate joint ventures. Fees were either 0.5% or 1.0% of the total value of all the acquisitions or dispositions.

Leasing Fees Leasing fees were incurred for services provided to procure tenants for the properties owned by the unconsolidated joint ventures. Fees were 1.0% of the total value of all leases executed for the properties, including new leases, renewals, extensions or other modifications.

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Asset Management Fees/Financing Fees Asset management fees were incurred for evaluating property value, performance and/or condition, appealing property assessments or tax valuations, recommending ways to enhance value and procuring financing. The fees were charged at hourly rates ranging from \$40 to \$125 for asset management services. In addition, financing fees were paid for any permanent financing placed on the properties, with fees of either 25 to 50 basis points of the financed amount or a flat fee of \$50,000. In addition to the fees noted above, certain unconsolidated joint ventures also reimbursed us for monthly maintenance and facilities management services provided to the properties owned by the unconsolidated joint ventures.

Fees earned by us from the unconsolidated joint ventures, which are included in other income (expense), net, are as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Property management fees	\$	\$ 38	\$ 1,233
Leasing fees			957
Asset management fees/financing fees			130
Maintenance reimbursements		6	120
Construction management fees			47
	\$	\$ 44	\$ 2,487

Subsequent to the Formation Transactions, we no longer earn fees from unconsolidated joint ventures.

At December 31, 2010, accounts payable and accrued expenses included \$0.3 million related to amounts paid by AAI on behalf of the properties for loan transfer and consent fee and loan defeasance fee deposits, which was repaid upon completion of the Offering.

Certain affiliated entities made loans to an affiliate in order to attain a higher return on excess cash balances, and these loans were classified as notes receivable from affiliate. The notes bore interest at LIBOR and were to be repaid upon demand. The notes receivable were settled as part of the Formation Transactions. A summary of the outstanding notes receivable from affiliate balances and related interest income are as follows (in thousands):

	As of and for the year ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Notes receivable from affiliate	\$	\$	\$ 21,769
Interest income	\$	\$ 3	\$ 59

We received unsecured loans on January 15, 2008, from certain of the entities that own Del Monte Center, for \$12.0 million, the proceeds of which were used to fund construction at the property. The notes bore interest at 10.0% and required monthly principal and interest payments until maturity on March 1, 2013. The notes were classified as notes payable to affiliates. The notes were repaid using proceeds from the Offering or were settled as part of the Formation Transactions.

At ICW Plaza, we lease space to Insurance Company of the West, which is under the indirect control of Ernest Rady, our Executive Chairman of the Board. Rental revenue recognized on the leases of \$2.1 million, \$2.3 million and \$2.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively, is included in rental income. In May 2011, the lease agreement at ICW Plaza was amended to terminate the lease of approximately 12,000 square feet and reduce base rent on one suite in line with market rent. Additionally, we leased space to Insurance Company of the West at Valencia Corporate Center until the sale of Valencia Corporate Center on August 30, 2011, and rental revenue recognized on these leases of \$0.0 million, \$1.2 million

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and \$1.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively, is included in discontinued operations.

The Waikiki Beach Walk entities have a 47.7% investment in WBW CHP LLC, an entity that was formed to, among other things, construct a chilled water plant to provide air conditioning to the property and other adjacent facilities. The operating expenses of WBW CHP LLC are recovered through reimbursements from its members, and reimbursements to WBW CHP LLC of \$1.0 million were made for both years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 and included in rental expenses on the statements of income.

NOTE 17. SEGMENT REPORTING

Segment information is prepared on the same basis that our management reviews information for operational decision-making purposes. We review operating and financial information for each property on an individual basis and therefore, each property represents an individual operating segment. However, we have aggregated our properties into reportable segments as the properties share similar long-term economic characteristics and have other similarities including the fact that they are operated using consistent business strategies.

We operate in four business segments: the acquisition, redevelopment, ownership and management of retail real estate, office real estate, multifamily real estate and mixed-use real estate. The products for our retail segment primarily include rental of retail space and other tenant services, including tenant reimbursements, parking and storage space rental. The products for our office segment primarily include rental of office space and other tenant services, including tenant reimbursements, parking and storage space rental. The products for our multifamily segment include rental of apartments and other tenant services. The products of our mixed-use segment include rental of retail space and other tenant services, including tenant reimbursements, parking and storage space rental and operation of a 369-room all-suite hotel.

We evaluate the performance of our segments based on segment profit which is defined as property revenue less property expenses. We do not use asset information as a measure to assess performance and make decisions to allocate resources. Therefore, depreciation and amortization expense is not allocated among segments. General and administrative expenses, interest expense, depreciation and amortization expense and other income and expense are not included in segment profit as our internal reporting addresses these items on a corporate level.

Segment profit is not a measure of operating income or cash flows from operating activities as measured by GAAP, and it is not indicative of cash available to fund cash needs and should not be considered an alternative to cash flows as a measure of liquidity. Not all companies calculate segment profit in the same manner. We consider segment profit to be an appropriate supplemental measure to net income because it assists both investors and management in understanding the core operations of our properties.

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The following table represents operating activity within our reportable segments (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Total Retail			
Property revenue	\$ 91,991	\$ 86,511	\$ 78,234
Property expense	(24,955)	(24,512)	(20,185)
Segment profit	67,036	61,999	58,049
Total Office			
Property revenue	78,101	57,319	25,374
Property expense	(23,780)	(18,015)	(7,300)
Segment profit	54,321	39,304	18,074
Total Multifamily			
Property revenue	14,852	14,321	14,140
Property expense	(5,914)	(5,578)	(4,723)
Segment profit	8,938	8,743	9,417
Total Mixed-Use			
Property revenue	50,522	44,634	
Property expense	(31,465)	(28,774)	
Segment profit	19,057	15,860	
Total segments profit	\$ 149,352	\$ 125,906	\$ 85,540

The following table is a reconciliation of segment profit to net income attributable to stockholders (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Total segments profit	\$ 149,352	\$ 125,906	\$ 85,540
General and administrative	(15,593)	(13,627)	(8,699)
Depreciation and amortization	(61,853)	(55,936)	(34,419)
Interest expense	(57,328)	(54,580)	(43,251)
Early extinguishment of debt		(25,867)	
Loan transfer and consent fees		(8,808)	
Gain on acquisition		46,371	4,297
Other income (expense), net	(629)	212	(1,846)
Income from continuing operations	13,949	13,671	1,622
Discontinued operations			
Income from discontinued operations	932	1,672	552
Gain on sale of real estate property	36,720	3,981	
Results from discontinued operations	37,652	5,653	552
Net income	51,601	19,324	2,174

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Net income attributable to restricted shares	(529)	(482)	
Net loss attributable to Predecessor s noncontrolling interests in consolidated real estate entities		2,458	2,205
Net income attributable to Predecessor s controlled owners equity		(16,995)	(4,379)
Net income attributable to unitholders in the Operating Partnership	(16,133)	(1,388)	
Net income attributable to American Assets Trust, Inc. stockholders	\$ 34,939	\$ 2,917	\$

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The following table shows net real estate and secured note payable balances for each of the segments, along with their capital expenditures for each year (in thousands):

	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
Net real estate		
Retail	\$ 669,177	\$ 655,450
Office	759,203	503,220
Multifamily	36,391	37,187
Mixed-Use	203,411	208,089
	\$ 1,668,182	\$ 1,403,946
Secured Notes Payable ⁽¹⁾		
Retail	\$ 397,732	\$ 400,320
Office	428,194	295,919
Multifamily	101,444	101,444
Mixed-Use	130,310	130,310
	\$ 1,057,680	\$ 927,993
Capital Expenditures ⁽²⁾		
Retail	\$ 14,211	\$ 5,110
Office	22,136	6,004
Multifamily	964	615
Mixed-Use	727	1,492
	\$ 38,038	\$ 13,221

(1) Excludes unamortized fair market value adjustment of \$13.0 million and \$15.9 million as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

(2) Capital expenditures represent cash paid for capital expenditures during the year and include leasing commissions paid.

NOTE 18. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

The tables below reflect selected quarterly information for 2012 and 2011 (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended			
	December 31, 2012	September 30, 2012	June 30, 2012	March 31, 2012
Total revenue	\$ 63,120	\$ 60,766	\$ 56,131	\$ 55,449
Operating income	20,247	18,206	16,641	16,812
Income (loss) from continuing operations	4,822	3,968	2,396	2,763
Results from discontinued operations	36,999	317	228	108
Net income	41,821	4,285	2,624	2,871
Net income attributable to restricted shares	(133)	(133)	(131)	(132)
Net (income) loss attributable to unitholders in the Operating Partnership	(13,111)	(1,335)	(804)	(883)
Net income (loss) attributable to American Assets Trust, Inc. stockholders	\$ 28,577	\$ 2,817	\$ 1,689	\$ 1,856
	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.05

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Net income from continuing operations attributable to common stockholders basic and diluted					
Net income from discontinued operations attributable to common stockholders basic and diluted	\$	0.65	\$	0.01	\$
Net income attributable to common stockholders basic and diluted	\$	0.73	\$	0.08	\$ 0.04
				\$	0.05

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	Three Months Ended			
	December 31, 2011	September 30, 2011	June 30, 2011	March 31, 2011
Total revenue	\$ 53,838	\$ 54,370	\$ 49,318	\$ 45,259
Operating income	14,182	14,427	12,969	14,765
Income (loss) from continuing operations	560	(59)	(172)	13,342
Results from discontinued operations	95	4,677	627	254
Net income (loss)	655	4,618	455	13,596
Net income attributable to restricted shares	(132)	(132)	(132)	(86)
Net loss attributable to Predecessor's noncontrolling interests in consolidated real estate entities				2,458
Net income attributable to Predecessor's controlled owners equity				(16,995)
Net (income) loss attributable to unitholders in the Operating Partnership	(179)	(1,434)	(104)	329
Net income (loss) attributable to American Assets Trust, Inc. stockholders	\$ 344	\$ 3,052	\$ 219	\$ (698)
Net income from continuing operations attributable to common stockholders basic and diluted	\$ 0.01	\$	\$	\$ (0.03)
Net income from discontinued operations attributable to common stockholders basic and diluted	\$	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.01
Net income attributable to common stockholders basic and diluted	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.01	\$ (0.02)

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Description	Encumbrance as of December 31, 2012	Initial Cost			Gross Carrying Amount at December 31, 2012			Year Built/ Renovated	Date Acquired	Life on which depreciation in latest income statements is computed
		Land	Building Improvements	Cost Capitalized and Subsequent to Acquisition	Land	Building Improvements	Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization			
Alamo Quarry Market	\$ 93,942	\$ 26,396	\$ 109,294	\$ 10,634	\$ 26,816	\$ 119,508	\$ (33,889)	1997/1999	12/9/2003	35 years
Carmel Country Plaza		4,200		11,600	4,200	11,600	(6,483)	1991	1/10/1989	35 years
Carmel Mountain Plaza		22,477	65,217	20,933	31,035	77,592	(23,192)	1994	3/28/2003	35 years
Del Monte Center	82,300	27,412	87,570	21,414	27,117	109,279	(35,841)	1967/1984/2006	4/8/2004	35 years
Lomas Santa Fe Plaza		8,600	11,282	9,448	8,620	20,710	(11,931)	1972/1997	6/12/1995	35 years
Rancho Carmel Plaza		3,450		3,435	3,487	3,398	(2,099)	1993	4/30/1990	35 years
The Shops at Kalakaua	19,000	13,993	10,919	100	14,006	11,006	(2,702)	1971/2006	3/31/2005	35 years
Solana Beach Towne Centre	38,790	40,980	38,842	1,725	40,980	40,567	(2,704)	1973/2000/2004	1/19/2011	35 years
South Bay Marketplace	23,000	4,401		10,749	4,401	10,749	(5,727)	1997	9/16/1995	35 years
Waialele Center	140,700	55,593	126,858	58,015	70,643	169,823	(40,610)	1993/2008	9/16/2004	35 years
Geary Marketplace		8,239	12,353		8,238	12,354		2012	12/19/2012	35 years
City Center Bellevue	111,000	25,135	190,998	3,829	25,135	194,827	(2,435)	1987	8/21/2012	40 years
First & Main	84,500	14,697	109,739	2,404	14,697	112,143	(6,757)	2010	3/11/2011	40 years
The Landmark at One Market	133,000	34,575	141,196	6,621	34,575	147,817	(11,154)	1917/2000	6/30/2010	40 years
Lloyd District Portfolio		18,660	61,401	5,343	11,845	73,559	(4,975)	1940-2011	7/1/2011	40 years
One Beach Street	21,900	15,332	18,017	873	15,332	18,890	(598)	1924/1972/1987/1992	1/24/2012	40 years
Solana Beach Corporate Centre:										
Solana Beach Corporate Centre I-II	11,637	7,111	17,100	940	7,111	18,040	(1,322)	1982/2005	1/19/2011	40 years
Solana Beach Corporate Centre III-IV	37,204	7,298	27,887	708	7,298	28,595	(2,095)	1982/2005	1/19/2011	40 years
Solana Beach Corporate Centre Land		487		60	547			N/A	1/19/2011	N/A
Torrey Reserve:										
ICW Plaza		4,095		25,303	4,788	24,610	(9,474)	1996-1997	6/6/1989	40 years
Pacific North Court	21,659	3,263		22,601	4,309	21,555	(9,208)	1997-1998	6/6/1989	40 years
Pacific South Court		3,285		21,509	4,226	20,568	(9,288)	1996-1997	6/6/1989	40 years
Pacific VC	7,294	1,413		8,574	2,148	7,839	(3,882)	1998/2000	6/6/1989	40 years
Pacific Torrey Daycare		715		1,665	911	1,469	(698)	1996-1997	6/6/1989	40 years
Torrey Reserve Land		229		12,911		13,140		N/A	6/6/1989	N/A
Imperial Beach Gardens	20,000	1,281	4,820	3,826	1,281	8,646	(6,862)	1959/2008-present	7/31/1985	30 years
Loma Palisades	73,744	14,000	16,570	17,878	14,051	34,397	(21,799)	1958/2001-2008	7/20/1990	30 years
Mariner's Point	7,700	2,744	4,540	785	2,744	5,325	(2,144)	1986	5/9/2001	30 years
Santa Fe Park RV Resort		401	928	745	401	1,673	(1,322)	1971/2007-2008	6/1/1979	30 years

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Waikiki Beach										
Walk:										
Retail	130,310	45,995	74,943	64	45,995	75,007	(4,687)	2006	1/19/2011	35 years
Hotel		30,640	60,029	1,988	30,640	62,017	(5,562)	2008	1/19/2011	35 years
Solana										
Beach Highway										
101 Land		7,847	202	292	8,341		(114)	N/A	9/20/2011	N/A
Sorrento Valley										
Holdings Land		2,073	741	3,241	6,055		(940)	N/A	5/9/1997	N/A
	\$ 1,057,680	\$ 457,017	\$ 1,191,446	\$ 290,213	\$ 481,973	\$ 1,456,703	\$ (270,494)			

(1) For Federal tax purposes, the aggregate tax basis is approximately \$1.5 billion as of December 31, 2012.

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Table of Contents**American Assets Trust, Inc.****SCHEDULE III Consolidated Real Estate and Accumulated Depreciation (Continued)****(In Thousands)**

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
Real estate assets			
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 1,687,276	1,165,097	968,332
Additions:			
Property acquisitions	270,082	563,858	188,971
Improvements ⁽¹⁾	41,303	13,595	8,383
Deductions:			
Cost of Real Estate Sold	(57,188)	(37,599)	
Other ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	(2,797)	(17,675)	(589)
Balance, end of period	\$ 1,938,676	\$ 1,687,276	\$ 1,165,097
Accumulated depreciation			
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 234,595	\$ 221,997	\$ 194,124
Additions depreciation ⁽¹⁾	47,792	42,498	28,462
Deductions:			
Cost of Real Estate Sold	(9,216)	(12,225)	
Other ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	(2,677)	(17,675)	(589)
Balance, end of period	\$ 270,494	\$ 234,595	\$ 221,997

(1) Includes discontinued operations for 160 King Street, which was sold on December 4, 2012 and Valencia Corporate Center, which was sold on August 30, 2011.

(2) Other deductions for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 represent the write-off of fully depreciated assets.

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Report of Independent Auditors

To the Members of

ABW Lewers LLC

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and the related consolidated statements of operations and members' deficiency, and cash flows present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of ABW Lewers LLC and its subsidiaries (the Company) at December 31, 2010 and 2009, and the results of their operations and their cash flows in the three-year period ended December 31, 2010 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits of these statements in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ ACCUITY LLP

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 24, 2011

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Table of Contents**ABW Lewers LLC****Consolidated Balance Sheets****December 31, 2010 and 2009****(All Dollars in Thousands)**

	2010	2009
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash	\$ 5,364	\$ 3,961
Restricted cash and certificate of deposit	993	655
Investment securities available-for-sale	1,000	900
Receivables, net	482	461
Prepaid expenses	5	1
Total current assets	7,844	5,978
Property and equipment, net	87,951	94,131
Deferred loan and lease costs, net of accumulated amortization of \$2,362 in 2010 and \$1,756 in 2009	3,326	4,009
Investment in equity method investee	3,022	3,044
Restricted cash and certificate of deposit	65	357
Noncurrent receivables, net	42	101
Deferred rent receivable	2,227	2,001
Total assets	\$ 104,477	\$ 109,621
Liabilities and Members Deficiency		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 400	\$ 412
Deferred revenue	490	341
Payable to affiliates, net	61	156
Current portion of notes payable	15,309	245
Total current liabilities	16,260	1,154
Deferred rent payable	247	210
Security deposits	861	878
Notes payable	130,310	145,619
Total liabilities	147,678	147,861
Members deficiency	(43,201)	(38,240)
Total liabilities and members deficiency	\$ 104,477	\$ 109,621

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

Table of Contents**ABW Lewers LLC****Consolidated Statements of Operations and Members Deficiency****Years Ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008****(All Dollars in Thousands)**

	2010	2009	2008
Revenue			
Rental	\$ 9,784	\$ 9,667	\$ 10,887
Common area recoveries	2,310	2,409	2,334
Other tenant recoveries	1,092	1,018	1,277
Parking	2,142	2,166	1,936
Other	84	52	116
Total revenues	15,412	15,312	16,550
Operating expenses			
Common area expenses	2,443	2,495	2,472
Other tenant expenses	1,195	1,111	1,358
Parking expense	1,230	1,146	990
Landlord expense	76	89	111
Depreciation expense	6,187	6,208	6,153
Other	838	1,111	1,367
Total operating expenses	11,969	12,160	12,451
Operating income	3,443	3,152	4,099
Other income (expense)			
Interest income	5	15	11
Interest expense	(8,303)	(8,315)	(8,262)
Equity in net loss of uncombined affiliate	(106)	(106)	(110)
Net other expense	(8,404)	(8,406)	(8,361)
Net loss	(4,961)	(5,254)	(4,262)
Members deficiency			
Beginning of year	(38,240)	(32,971)	(12,388)
Member distributions		(15)	(16,321)
End of year	\$ (43,201)	\$ (38,240)	\$ (32,971)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

Table of Contents**ABW Lewers LLC****Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows****Years Ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008****(All Dollars in Thousands)**

	2010	2009	2008
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net loss	\$ (4,961)	\$ (5,254)	\$ (4,262)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities			
Depreciation	6,187	6,208	6,153
Amortization of deferred loan and leasing fees	636	661	631
Write-off of deferred leasing fees	48	70	86
Equity in net loss of uncombined affiliate	106	106	110
Straight-line effect on rent expense	37	57	76
Straight-line effect on rental income	(226)	(250)	(531)
Bad debt expense	146	425	673
Changes in			
Receivables	(108)	(134)	(693)
Prepaid expenses	(4)	187	6
Accrued leasing fees	(1)	(28)	(115)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	88	46	(176)
Deferred revenue	149	12	109
Payable to affiliates, net	56	(48)	(196)
Security deposits	(17)	(79)	10
Net cash provided by operating activities	2,136	1,979	1,881
Cash flows from investing activities			
Capital expenditures	(107)	(230)	(1,132)
Investment in affiliate	(204)		
Proceeds from sales of investment securities	300	1,000	
Purchase of investment securities and certificate of deposit	(400)	(500)	(1,400)
Change in restricted cash	(46)	(66)	34
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(457)	204	(2,498)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Member distributions	(31)	(398)	(16,622)
Loan costs paid			(89)
Repayments of note payable	(245)	(232)	(214)
Proceeds from note payable			16,000
Net cash used in financing activities	(276)	(630)	(925)
Net increase (decrease) in cash	1,403	1,553	(1,542)
Cash			
Beginning of year	3,961	2,408	3,950
End of year	\$ 5,364	\$ 3,961	\$ 2,408

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Interest paid	\$ 7,947	\$ 7,960	\$ 7,909
Noncash investing and financing activities			
Capital contributions payable to equity method investee	\$	\$ 110	\$
Accrued member distribution	\$	\$ 31	\$ 423

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

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ABW Lewers LLC

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

December 31, 2010 and 2009

(All Dollars in Thousands)

1. Operations and Ownership

ABW Lewers LLC, a Hawaii limited liability company (the Company), was formed on October 11, 2005 pursuant to an operating agreement (the Agreement) between Beachwalk Holdings, LP, which holds an 80% member interest, and WBW Retail LLC (WBW), which holds a 20% member interest. Under the terms of the operating agreement, WBW agreed to develop and guarantee lien free completion of a retail and entertainment center known as Waikiki Beach Walk (the Center). Construction of the Center was completed and operations commenced in December 2006. As a limited liability company, the owners' liability is limited to the amount of their investment in the Company.

The Center, consisting of 96,569 leasable square feet of retail, restaurant and storage space and 377 parking stalls for public and valet parking is owned by two subsidiaries, ABW Holdings LLC and ABW 2181 Holdings LLC. At December 31, 2010, the Center was 98% leased and occupied.

The Center is managed and operated by Retail Resort Properties LLC (RRP), a limited liability company wholly-owned by Outrigger Hotels Hawaii (OHH), pursuant to the provisions of a management agreement. OHH is indirectly affiliated with WBW. Beachwalk Holdings, LP is an affiliate to American Asset Trust, Inc. (AAT), a real estate investment trust.

As of December 31, 2010, the Company had a members' deficiency of \$43,201 which resulted from approximately \$139,000 in member distributions made in connection with long-term mortgage financing in 2008 and 2007. Although the Company had liabilities in excess of assets at December 31, 2010, management believes that the Company will be able to meet current obligations and debt service requirements with future cash flows from operations and cash balances on hand.

On January 19, 2011, AAT completed its initial public offering. AAT is the sole general partner of American Assets Trust, L.P. (the Operating Partnership). Concurrently with the initial public offering, the Operating Partnership completed a series of formation transactions, pursuant to which it acquired, through a series of merger and contribution transactions, the ownership interests in the entities owning the properties that comprise its portfolio. As part of these formation transactions, WBW Retail LLC and Beachwalk Holdings LP contributed their equity interests in the Company to the Operating Partnership. The contribution was accounted for by the Operating Partnership as an acquisition under the acquisition method of accounting and recognized at the estimated fair value of acquired assets and assumed liabilities on January 19, 2011. RRP will continue to manage and operate the Center.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements of the Company include two wholly-owned single-purpose subsidiaries, ABW Holdings LLC (ABWH) and ABW 2181 Holdings LLC (ABW 2181). These two entities own the Center and all other operating assets of the Company. The consolidated financial statements include the accounts and transactions of these subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions for the reporting period and as of the financial statement date.

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These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid debt instruments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Restricted Cash and Certificate of Deposit

At December 31, 2010 and 2009, restricted cash consisted of reserves held by the ABWH mortgage lender for current real estate and property taxes and insurance of \$693 and \$655, respectively. At December 31, 2010 and 2009, noncurrent reserves for the replacement of property and equipment amounted to \$10. The lender also held \$55 and \$47, respectively, in noncurrent restricted cash reserves for tenant improvement allowances. The balance at December 31, 2010 and 2009 represents the Company's funding of a tenant improvement allowance reserve as required by the terms of the loan agreement.

As of February 2008, the Company was also required to maintain a \$300 certificate of deposit with the ABW 2181 mortgage loan lender, which is reflected in current restricted cash at December 31, 2009 and noncurrent restricted cash at December 31, 2009. The ABW 2181 mortgage loan was repaid in conjunction with the transaction with AAT in January 2011 and the certificate of deposit was redeemed.

Receivables and Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

Receivables are initially recorded at the amount invoiced or otherwise due and normally do not bear interest. The Company maintains an allowance for doubtful accounts to reduce receivables to their estimated collectible amount. Management estimates the allowance for doubtful accounts based on a specific review of individual customer accounts as well as the overall aging of accounts, historical collection experience and current economic and business conditions. Generally, accounts past due by more than 30 days are considered delinquent. However, delinquent accounts are not written off until, in the judgment of management, they are deemed uncollectible based on an evaluation of the specific circumstances of each customer.

The allowance for doubtful accounts represents management's best estimate of potential uncollectible receivables. However, because of the uncertainties inherent in assessing the collectibility of receivables, it is at least reasonably possible that there will be near-term changes in management's estimate due to actual losses and other factors.

Deferred Loan and Lease Costs

Loan fees and origination costs associated with the Company's debt are deferred and amortized using the straight-line method over the term of the debt agreement, which approximates the effective interest method. These amounts are recorded as interest expense in the consolidated financial statements. The initial direct costs of leases, such as legal fees and leasing commissions are deferred and amortized using the straight-line method over the term of the lease agreements. These amounts are recorded as a reduction of rental income in the consolidated financial statements. Amortization expense for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008 approximated \$636, \$661 and \$631, respectively.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense and betterments and replacements are capitalized. Property retired or otherwise disposed of is

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removed from the appropriate asset and related accumulated depreciation accounts. Gains and losses on sales of assets are reflected in current operations.

Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method based upon the shorter of the asset life or lease term using the following useful lives:

Building and improvements	15 - 39 years
Tenant improvements	Lease term
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	5 years

The Company reviews long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. The assessment of impairment is based on the estimated future net cash flows from operating activities compared with the carrying value of the asset. If the future net cash flows of an asset are less than the carrying value, a write-down is recorded and measured by the amount of the difference between the carrying value of the asset and the fair value of the asset. No impairment losses were recognized in 2010, 2009 or 2008.

Changes in estimates, based on market conditions and various other factors, may impact the future recoverability of the carrying value.

Investments

Investments in marketable debt securities are classified as available-for-sale and are reported at fair value based on quoted market prices. Realized gains and losses from the sale of investments available-for-sale are determined using the specific identification method.

Investments in minority-owned entities where the Company has the ability to significantly influence the operations of the investee are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. Equity method accounting is discontinued when an investee's accumulated losses equals or exceeds the Company's investment and the Company has no obligation to provide further financial support to the investee.

Revenue Recognition

The Company's operating revenue is derived principally from operating leases with retail and restaurant tenants including base minimum rents, percentage rents based on tenants' sales volume, recoveries of substantially all recoverable expenditures, and rents collected from transient patrons of the Center's parking stalls.

Substantially all tenants in the Center are required to pay percentage rents based on sales in excess of agreed levels during the lease year. The Company recognizes percentage rent only when each tenant's sales exceed a negotiated sales threshold.

The Company structures its leases in such a manner as to enable the Company to recover a significant portion of the property's operating, real estate, repairs and maintenance, and advertising and promotion expenses from the tenants. Property operation expenses typically include utilities, insurance, security, janitorial, landscaping, and administrative expenses. Revenues from tenants for recoverable portions of these expenses are recognized in the period the applicable expenditures are incurred.

The Company recognizes rental revenue from leases with scheduled rent escalations on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The difference between rental revenue recognized for financial statement purposes and the actual rent received approximated \$2,227 and \$2,001 at December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

The Company reports revenues net of general excise taxes collected from or passed on to tenants.

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Rental Expense

The Company recognizes its long-term land sublease, which contains scheduled rent escalations, on a straight-line basis over the sublease term. The difference between rental expense recognized for financial statement purposes and the actual rent paid or currently due is reported as noncurrent deferred rent payable and approximated \$247 and \$210 at December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Advertising

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred and approximated \$349 in 2010, \$348 in 2009 and \$374 in 2008. Substantially all advertising costs were funded through tenant contributions as required by the provisions of the lease agreements.

Income Taxes

The Company is considered to be a flow through entity for federal and state income tax purposes. Income or loss for tax purposes accrues to the members and accordingly, no provision or credit for income taxes is reflected in the consolidated financial statements.

Concentrations of Risk

Financial instruments that potentially expose the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash, the restricted certificate of deposit, investment securities, and receivables.

All of the Company's cash, with the exception of the restricted cash held by the ABWH lender's servicer, and the certificate of deposit are held with financial institutions in the State of Hawaii. At times, balances are in excess of depository insurance limits, however, the Company does not believe that this concentration of credit risk represents a material risk of loss with respect to its financial position.

The Company extends credit to customers in the normal course of business. To control credit risk, the Company performs ongoing credit evaluations and normally requires security in the form of cash deposits.

The Company's operations are primarily dependent on Hawaii's tourism industry. A significant portion of the Center's business is derived from tourists from the mainland United States and Japan.

Fair Value Measurements

For financial and nonfinancial assets and liabilities reported at fair value, the Company defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in the principal or most advantageous market in an orderly transaction between market participants. The Company measures fair value using observable and unobservable inputs based on the following hierarchy:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted market prices included within Level 1 that are observable for an asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for an asset or liability reflecting the reporting entity's own assumptions. Level 3 inputs should be used to measure fair value to the extent that observable Level 1 or 2 inputs are not available.

Segment Information

The Company has two reportable segments, the rental segment and parking segment, which are organized on the basis of revenues and assets. The rental segment primarily derives its revenues from operating leases with

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retail and restaurant tenants. The parking segment derives its revenues from rents collected from transient users of the Center's parking spaces. The performance of each segment is evaluated on the basis of operating income. The following is a summary of each reportable segment's operating income and the segment's assets as of and for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008:

	Year Ended December 31, 2010		
	Rental	Parking	Total
Revenues	\$ 13,270	\$ 2,142	\$ 15,412
Operating income	2,840	603	3,443
Depreciation expense	5,878	309	6,187
Segment assets	100,049	4,398	104,447
Expenditures for property and equipment	7		7

	Year Ended December 31, 2009		
	Rental	Parking	Total
Revenues	\$ 13,146	\$ 2,166	\$ 15,312
Operating income	2,442	710	3,152
Depreciation expense	5,898	310	6,208
Segment assets	104,914	4,707	109,621
Expenditures for property and equipment	103		103

	Year Ended December 31, 2008		
	Rental	Parking	Total
Revenues	\$ 14,614	\$ 1,936	\$ 16,550
Operating income	3,461	638	4,099
Depreciation expense	5,845	308	6,153
Segment assets	110,512	5,012	115,524
Expenditures for property and equipment	850		850

Subsequent Events

The Company has reviewed all events that have occurred from January 1, 2011 through February 24, 2011, the date that the consolidated financial statement were available for issuance, for proper accounting and disclosure in the consolidated financial statements.

3. Receivables

Receivables consisted of the following at December 31, 2010 and 2009:

	2010	2009
Current		
Trade receivables	\$ 951	\$ 720
Notes receivable	173	182
Other receivables	88	60
	1,212	962
Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts	730	501
	\$ 482	\$ 461
Noncurrent		
Notes receivable	\$ 226	\$ 368
Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts	184	267
	\$ 42	\$ 101

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During 2010, the activity in the allowance for doubtful accounts related to notes receivable consisted of the following:

Balance at January 1, 2010	\$ 312
Charge-offs	
Recoveries	(123)
Provision	9
 Balance at December 31, 2010	 \$ 198

4. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment consisted of the following at December 31, 2010 and 2009:

	2010	2009
Land	\$ 22,447	\$ 22,447
Building and improvements	75,130	75,123
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	14,773	14,773
	112,350	112,343
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(24,399)	(18,212)
	\$ 87,951	\$ 94,131

5. Investments

At December 31, 2010 and 2009, the cost and fair values of investment securities available-for-sale (municipal obligations) were \$1,000 and \$900, respectively. These securities are classified as Level 2 (significant other observable inputs) under the fair value hierarchy as the fair value of the securities are estimated by extrapolated data and proprietary pricing models that use observable inputs, such as prices in active markets. There were no realized gains (losses) or unrealized holding gains (losses) associated with the securities during 2010, 2009 or 2008. The Company liquidated all of the investment securities at par value in January 2011.

The Company has an 18.55% interest in WBW CHP LLC (WBW CHP), an entity that was formed to construct a chill water plant to provide air conditioning to the Center and other adjacent facilities. As of December 31, 2010 and 2009, the Company's investment in the uncombined affiliate approximated \$3,022 and \$3,044, respectively. The operating expenses of WBW CHP, other than depreciation, are recovered through reimbursements from its members.

Condensed financial information of the investment as of December 31, 2010 and 2009 and for the years then ended is as follows:

	2010	2009
Assets	\$ 16,533	\$ 16,507
Liabilities	241	95
	\$ 16,292	\$ 16,412
Revenue	\$	\$
Expenses	569	569
	\$ (569)	\$ (569)

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Long-term debt at December 31, 2010 and 2009 consisted of the following:

	2010	2009
Mortgage note payable with monthly interest-only payments at 5.387%. Outstanding principal and interest is due in July 2017. The loan is collateralized by all assets of ABWH and its operations.	\$ 130,310	\$ 130,310
Mortgage note payable in monthly principal and interest installments of \$90 with an interest rate 5.375%, based on a 30-year amortization. Outstanding principal and interest is due in February 2013. The loan is collateralized by all assets of ABW 2181 and its operations.	15,309	15,554
Total long-term debt	145,619	145,864
Current portion	15,309	245
Noncurrent portion	\$ 130,310	\$ 145,619

In February 2007, the Company entered into a 10-year \$150,000 mortgage loan agreement with a financial institution. The mortgage loan, which matures in July 2017, requires monthly interest-only payments at 5.387%. The mortgage is collateralized by all of the assets and operations of the Company. The mortgage loan proceeds were used to repay a construction loan and pay \$123,000 in distributions to the Company's members. In October 2007, the principal balance of the mortgage loan was reduced to \$130,310 through a prepayment without penalty.

The mortgage loan agreement requires that ABWH maintain a minimum quarterly debt coverage ratio of 1.10:1, as defined. Should ABWH not meet the minimum debt coverage ratio, ABWH must deposit all cash receipts from operations into a restricted trust account controlled by the lender and the funds will be used to fund debt service payments and pay operating expenses pursuant to the approved annual operating budget. Any residual funds remaining in the account after the foregoing disbursements are then distributed to ABWH. The restriction can be removed when the debt service coverage exceeds 1.15:1 for three consecutive calendar months on a trailing 12-month basis. ABWH was in compliance with all debt covenants as of December 31, 2010 and 2009.

In February 2008, the Company, through ABW 2181, entered into a \$16,000 mortgage loan agreement with a financial institution. The mortgage loan agreement had a five-year term, with two one-year extension options. The Company was required to comply with various debt covenants, including maintenance of a minimum annual debt coverage ratio of 1.20:1, as defined. The Company was in compliance with all debt covenants as of December 31, 2010 and 2009. Management distributed substantially all of the loan proceeds to the members during 2008.

The ABW 2181 mortgage loan was repaid in conjunction with the transaction with AAT in January 2011.

7. Lease Arrangements**As Lessor**

The Company leases retail and restaurant space under noncancelable agreements that expire at various dates through 2022. Total rental income recognized in 2010, 2009 and 2008 was as follows:

	2010	2009	2008
Base rent	\$ 8,991	\$ 9,049	\$ 9,915
Straight-line effect	226	250	531
Percentage and other	567	368	441
	\$ 9,784	\$ 9,667	\$ 10,887

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Future minimum lease rental income for years subsequent to December 31, 2010 is summarized below:

Years ending December 31,	
2011	\$ 9,382
2012	9,097
2013	8,172
2014	7,426
2015	7,277
Thereafter	14,129
	\$ 55,483

As Lessee

The Company has an agreement to sublease the land underlying a portion of the Center under a noncancelable lease agreement expiring in December 2021. The sublease agreement provides for the Company to pay monthly base rent of \$47 through February 2009. Thereafter, the base rent increases annually by approximately 3.4% for the next eight successive one-year periods. For the remaining period through December 2021, base rent shall equal Fair Rental Value, as defined in the sublease agreement. The sublease agreement also provides for additional rent charges for landscaping and property taxes. Additionally, the Company has the option to extend the term of the sublease should the Lessor and Sublessor agree to extend the term of the master lease beyond December 31, 2021 such that the termination dates of the master lease and sublease shall be the same.

Total rent expense in 2010, 2009 and 2008 was as follows:

	2010	2009	2008
Base rent	\$ 604	\$ 584	\$ 565
Common area and other charges	47	42	42
Straight-line effect	37	57	76
	\$ 688	\$ 683	\$ 683

Future minimum lease payments for years subsequent to December 31, 2010 are summarized below:

Years ending December 31,	
2011	\$ 624
2012	645
2013	667
2014	689
2015	713
Thereafter	860
	\$ 4,198

8. Related Party Transactions

At December 31, 2010 and 2009, amounts receivable (payable) to affiliates consisted of the following:

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	2010	2009
Receivable from Embassy Suites Hotel, an affiliate of OHH, for reimbursable common operating costs	\$ 71	\$ 116
Payable to Member for construction and reimbursable costs		(40)
Payable to OHH for reimbursable costs	(33)	(36)
Payable to IRL for reimbursable costs	(12)	
Payable to WBW CHP for reimbursable costs and capital contributions	(50)	(162)
Payable to RRP for management fees	(37)	(34)
	\$ (61)	\$ (156)

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The Company entered into an amended management agreement (the Management Agreement) with RRP to provide management services to the Center. The Management Agreement entitled RRP to management fees of 3% of net revenues, as defined. Management fees paid to RRP for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008 approximated \$381, \$377 and \$401, respectively.

9. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The following methods and assumptions were used by the Company in estimating the fair value of financial instruments:

Cash, restricted cash and certificate of deposit, receivables and payables, receivables and payables to affiliates: At December 31, 2010 and 2009, the Company believes that the carrying amounts of cash, restricted cash and certificate of deposit, trade receivables and payables, and receivables and payables to affiliates approximate fair value due to the short-term nature of these financial instruments.

Investment securities: The fair value of investment securities is based upon market prices with observable inputs.

Notes payable: At December 31, 2010 and 2009, the Company believes that it is not practicable to estimate the fair value of the ABWH note payable as a loan with similar terms is no longer available in the current credit market. The fair value of the ABW 2181 note payable outstanding at December 31, 2010 and 2009 was estimated using a discounted cash flow analysis, which utilizes interest rates currently being offered for loans with similar terms to borrowers of similar credit quality.

	2010		2009	
	Carrying	Fair	Carrying	Fair
	Amount	Value	Amount	Value
ABWH note payable	\$ 130,310	N/A	\$ 130,310	N/A
ABW 2181 note payable	15,309	15,588	15,554	15,622

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Report of Independent Auditors

To the Tenants-In-Common of

Waikiki Beach Walk Hotel

We have audited the accompanying combined statements of assets, liabilities and equity of the Waikiki Beach Walk Hotel (the Hotel) as of December 31, 2010 and 2009 and the related combined statements of revenues, expenses and changes in equity, and cash flows in the three-year period ended December 31, 2010. These combined financial statements are the responsibility of the Hotel s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these combined financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the combined financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the combined financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall combined financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The accompanying combined financial statements were prepared for the purpose of presenting the Hotel s ownership and operations to the tenant-in-common owners as discussed in Note 1.

In our opinion, the combined financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities and equity of the Waikiki Beach Walk Hotel as of December 31, 2010 and 2009 and its revenues, expenses and changes in equity, and its cash flows in the three-year period ended December 31, 2010 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ ACCUITY LLP

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 24, 2011

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Table of Contents**Waikiki Beach Walk Hotel****(A Combination of Tenant-in-Common Interests)****Combined Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Equity****December 31, 2010 and 2009****(All Dollars in Thousands)**

	2010	2009
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash	\$ 5,715	\$ 3,050
Trade receivables, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$71 in 2010 and \$97 in 2009	1,381	1,377
Prepaid expenses and other	14	6
Total current assets	7,110	4,433
Property and equipment, net	83,016	89,367
Deferred loan costs, net of accumulated amortization of \$38 in 2010 and \$947 in 2009	294	28
Investment in equity method investee	4,751	4,786
Restricted cash	500	3,036
Other assets	66	71
Total assets	\$ 95,737	\$ 101,721
Liabilities and Equity		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 594	\$ 523
Accrued expenses	1,574	1,423
Advance deposits	188	168
Payable to affiliates, net	15,091	367
Current portion of note payable	53,000	
Total current liabilities	70,447	2,481
Noncurrent payable to affiliate		14,874
Note payable		53,000
Total liabilities	70,447	70,355
Equity	25,290	31,366
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 95,737	\$ 101,721

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the combined financial statements.

Table of Contents**Waikiki Beach Walk Hotel****(A Combination of Tenant-in-Common Interests)****Combined Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Equity****Years Ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008****(All Dollars in Thousands)**

	2010	2009	2008
Revenue			
Rooms	\$ 26,533	\$ 25,840	\$ 30,028
Food and beverage	356	354	492
Other	272	208	308
Total revenues	27,161	26,402	30,828
Operating expenses			
Operating costs and expenses	12,101	12,025	13,196
Selling, general and administrative	6,302	6,018	7,071
Depreciation expense	6,270	6,340	6,209
Rental, real property taxes and property insurance	1,596	1,639	1,569
Total operating expenses	26,269	26,022	28,045
Operating income	892	380	2,783
Other expenses			
Interest expense	(1,744)	(1,086)	(2,747)
Other	(224)	(224)	(217)
Net other expenses	(1,968)	(1,310)	(2,964)
Net loss	(1,076)	(930)	(181)
Equity			
Beginning of year	31,366	36,796	42,977
Owner distributions	(5,000)	(4,500)	(6,000)
End of year	\$ 25,290	\$ 31,366	\$ 36,796

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the combined financial statements.

Table of Contents**Waikiki Beach Walk Hotel****(A Combination of Tenant-in-Common Interests)****Combined Statements of Cash Flows****Years Ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008****(All Dollars in Thousands)**

	2010	2009	2008
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net loss	\$ (1,076)	\$ (930)	\$ (181)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities			
Depreciation	6,270	6,340	6,209
Amortization of deferred loan costs	66	106	414
Bad debt expense (recovery)	(26)	3	4
Equity in net loss of equity method investee	166	166	172
Changes in			
Receivables	22	131	347
Prepaid expenses and other	(8)	432	53
Other assets	5	5	6
Accounts payable	71	(122)	(197)
Accrued expenses	151	82	(36)
Advance deposits	20	(7)	105
Payable to affiliates, net	(66)	(85)	233
Net cash provided by operating activities	5,595	6,121	7,129
Cash flows from investing activities			
Capital expenditures	(3)	(6)	(206)
Change in restricted cash	2,536	(1,096)	(1,064)
Investment in affiliate	(131)	(189)	
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	2,402	(1,291)	(1,270)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Owner distributions	(5,000)	(4,500)	(6,000)
Loan costs paid	(332)	(67)	
Net cash used in financing activities	(5,332)	(4,567)	(6,000)
Net increase (decrease) in cash	2,665	263	(141)
Cash			
Beginning of year	3,050	2,787	2,928
End of year	\$ 5,715	\$ 3,050	\$ 2,787
Supplemental cash flow information			
Interest paid	\$ 1,678	\$ 980	\$ 2,333

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the combined financial statements.

Table of Contents**Waikiki Beach Walk Hotel****(A Combination of Tenant-in-Common Interests)****Notes to Combined Financial Statements****December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008****(All Dollars in Thousands)****1. Operations and Ownership**

On January 10, 2006, EBW Hotels LLC, Waikele Venture Holdings LLC, Broadway 225 Sorrento Holdings LLC and Broadway 225 Stonecrest Holdings LLC entered into a tenant-in-common (TIC) ownership agreement (the TIC Agreement) to construct a 421 all suite hotel in Waikiki, Honolulu, Hawaii. In January 2008, the hotel received permission to market the property as a 369 suite hotel. This was accomplished by creating additional two bedroom suites within the existing physical configuration. The hotel is operated pursuant to a franchise agreement (the Franchise Agreement) as an Embassy Suites Hotel (the Hotel). The Hotel is managed by Outrigger Hotels Hawaii (OHH) pursuant to a Hotel Management Agreement. The Hotel personnel are employees of OHH.

TIC interests in the assets, liabilities and earnings of the Hotel are in the following proportions:

Tenants in common	Ownership	Type of Entity
EBW Hotels LLC	41.00%	Hawaii Limited Liability Company
Waikele Venture Holdings LLC	34.27%	Delaware Limited Liability Company
Broadway 225 Sorrento Holdings LLC	15.33%	Delaware Limited Liability Company
Broadway 225 Stonecrest Holdings LLC	9.40%	Delaware Limited Liability Company

EBW Hotels LLC was owned by BWH Holdings LLC and ESW LLC, the latter a wholly-owned subsidiary of OHH, with ownership percentages of 51% and 49%, respectively. All other TIC members are affiliates of American Asset Trust, Inc. (AAT), a real estate investment trust.

Profits and losses are allocated among the TIC members on a priority basis, with certain TIC members being entitled to an 8% priority return based on their respective capital account balances.

On January 19, 2011, AAT completed its initial public offering. AAT is the sole general partner of American Assets Trust, L.P. (the Operating Partnership). Concurrently with the initial public offering, the Operating Partnership completed a series of formation transactions, pursuant to which it acquired, through a series of merger and contribution transactions, the ownership interests in the entities owning the properties that comprise its portfolio. As part of these formation transactions, the TIC members contributed their equity interests in the Hotel to the Operating Partnership. The contribution was accounted for by the Operating Partnership as an acquisition under the acquisition method of accounting and recognized at the estimated fair value of acquired assets and assumed liabilities on January 19, 2011. OHH will continue to manage the Hotel.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions for the reporting period and as of the financial statement date. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash Equivalents

The Hotel considers all highly liquid debt instruments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

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Restricted Cash

At December 31, 2010 and 2009, restricted cash consisted of reserves for furniture, equipment and capital improvements pursuant to the Hotel's management agreement. The reserve balance is not to exceed \$500, unless approved by the TIC members. At December 31, 2009, the reserve balance in excess of \$500 was approved by all TIC members.

Accounts Receivable and Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

Receivables are initially recorded at the amount invoiced or otherwise due and normally do not bear interest. The Hotel maintains an allowance for doubtful accounts to reduce receivables to their estimated collectible amount. Management estimates the allowance for doubtful accounts based on a specific review of individual customer accounts as well as the overall aging of accounts, historical collection experience and current economic and business conditions. Generally, accounts past due by more than 30 days are considered delinquent. However, delinquent accounts are not written off until, in the judgment of management, they are deemed uncollectible based on an evaluation of the specific circumstances of each customer.

The allowance for doubtful accounts represents management's best estimate of potential uncollectible receivables. However, because of the uncertainties inherent in assessing the collectibility of receivables, it is at least reasonably possible that there will be near-term changes in management's estimate due to actual losses and other factors.

Equity Method Investment

Investments in minority-owned entities where the Hotel has the ability to significantly influence the operations of the investee are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. Equity method accounting is discontinued when an investee's accumulated losses equals or exceeds the Hotel's investment and the Hotel has no obligation to provide further financial support to the investee.

Deferred Loan Costs

Loan fees and origination costs associated with the Hotel's debt are deferred and amortized to interest expense using the straight-line method over the term of the debt agreement, which approximates the effective interest method. Amortization recognized during the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008 approximated \$66, \$106 and \$414, respectively, and was recorded as interest expense.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense and betterments and replacements are capitalized. Property retired or otherwise disposed of is removed from the appropriate asset and related accumulated depreciation accounts. Gains and losses on sales of assets are reflected in current operations.

Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method based upon the following useful lives:

Building and land improvements	15 - 39 years
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	3 - 10 years

The Hotel reviews long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. The assessment of impairment is based on the estimated future net cash flows from operating activities compared with the carrying value of the asset. If the future net cash flows of an asset are less than the carrying value, a write-down is recorded and measured by the

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amount of the difference between the carrying value of the asset and the fair value of the asset. No impairment losses were recognized in 2010, 2009 or 2008.

Changes in estimates, based on market conditions and various other factors, may impact the future recoverability of the carrying value.

Revenue Recognition

The Hotel recognizes revenues from the rental of hotel rooms and guest services when the rooms are occupied and services have been provided. Food and beverage sales are recognized when the customer has been served or at the time the transaction occurs. The Hotel reports revenues net of sales, rooms and general excise taxes collected from or passed on to customers.

Advertising

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred and approximated \$495, \$644, and \$937 in 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and are included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

Income Taxes

The Hotel is not a taxable entity and the results of its operations are included in the tax returns of the TIC members. Accordingly, income taxes are not reflected in the accompanying combined financial statements. The TIC members file federal and state tax returns based upon their proportionate share of income and expenses, which are subject to examination by taxing authorities.

Concentrations of Risk

Financial instruments that potentially expose the Hotel to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash and accounts receivable.

All of the Hotel's cash is held with financial institutions in the State of Hawaii. At times, cash balances are in excess of depository insurance limits, however, the Hotel does not believe that this concentration of credit risk represents a material risk of loss with respect to its financial position.

The Hotel extends credit to customers in the normal course of business. To control credit risk, the Hotel performs ongoing credit evaluations and normally requires security in the form of letters of credit, guarantees or cash deposits.

The Hotel's operations are primarily dependent on Hawaii's tourism industry. A significant portion of the Hotel's business is derived from tourists from the mainland United States and Japan.

Fair Value Measurements

For financial and nonfinancial assets and liabilities reported at fair value, the Hotel defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in the principal or most advantageous market in an orderly transaction between market participants. The Hotel measures fair value using observable and unobservable inputs based on the following hierarchy:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted market prices included within Level 1 that are observable for an asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs for an asset or liability reflecting the reporting entity's own assumptions. Level 3 inputs should be used to measure fair value to the extent that observable Level 1 or 2 inputs are not available.

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The Hotel has reviewed all events that have occurred from January 1, 2011 through February 24, 2011, the date that the combined financial statements were available for issuance, for proper accounting and disclosure in the combined financial statements.

3. Equity Method Investment

The Hotel has a 29.16% interest in WBW CHP LLC, an entity that was formed to construct a chilled water plant to provide air conditioning to the Hotel and other adjacent facilities. As of December 31, 2010 and 2009, the Company's investment in the uncombined affiliate amounted to \$4,751 and \$4,786, respectively. The operating expenses of WBW CHP, other than depreciation, are recovered through reimbursements from its members.

Condensed financial information of the investment as of December 31, 2010 and 2009 and for the years then ended is as follows:

	2010	2009
Assets	\$ 16,533	\$ 16,507
Liabilities	241	95
	\$ 16,292	\$ 16,412
Revenue	\$	\$
Expenses	569	569
	\$ (569)	\$ (569)

4. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment consisted of the following at December 31, 2010 and 2009:

	2010	2009
Land	\$ 16,373	\$ 16,373
Building and improvements	69,319	69,319
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	22,454	22,535
	108,146	108,227
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(25,130)	(18,860)
	\$ 83,016	\$ 89,367

5. Note Payable

On May 9, 2006, the TIC members entered into a \$53,000 interest-only construction loan agreement with a bank group (severally and collectively, the Lenders) for the development and construction of the Hotel. The loan, collateralized by a first mortgage on the property, was scheduled to mature during May 2010. The loan agreement required monthly interest-only payments at LIBOR plus 1.50%. The effective interest rate at December 31, 2009 was 1.73%. Beginning in March 2008, the Hotel was required to maintain a minimum monthly debt service coverage ratio of 1:1. The Hotel was in compliance with this covenant since its effective date through May 31, 2010.

The loan agreement was amended and restated on June 1, 2010 and the maturity date was extended to June 1, 2015. The amended loan agreement required monthly interest-only payments at LIBOR plus 3.75%. The effective interest rate at December 31, 2010 was 4.00%. The Hotel was required to maintain a minimum monthly

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debt service coverage ratio of 1.1 to 1 until December 31, 2010 and 1.35 to 1 thereafter. The Hotel was in compliance with this covenant since its effective date through December 31, 2010.

The loan was repaid in conjunction with the transaction with AAT in January 2011.

6. Franchise Agreement

The Franchise Agreement allows the Hotel to operate the property under the Embassy Suites licensed brand. The Franchise Agreement further provides that the Company may access the Hilton Hotels Corporation's reservation services, advertising and other marketing programs, training programs and materials, and operating standards.

The Franchise Agreement provides for a program fee equal to 4% of the Hotel's gross room revenue, as defined. During 2009, Hilton Hotels Corporation implemented a fee relief program which reduced the program fee to 3.5%. This fee relief program was extended through December 31, 2010, provided the Hotel met all brand standard requirements. The Franchise Agreement also provides for a royalty fee equal to 3% of gross room revenue during 2009 and 2008, 4% of gross room revenue through 2021, and 5% of gross room revenue thereafter. Program and royalty fees for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, approximated \$2,089, \$1,761 and \$2,202, respectively.

In connection with the AAT transaction in January 2011, the original Franchise Agreement was canceled and a new Franchise Agreement was executed that expires in January 2031. The terms of the new Franchise Agreement are substantially the same as the original agreement, however under the new agreement; the Hotel is required to make certain capital improvements, as defined in the Product Improvement Plan, within a 12 to 18-month period to meet Hilton Hotels Corporation brand standards requirements. Management estimates that the capital improvements will cost approximately \$4,600.

7. Related Party Transactions

At December 31, 2010 and 2009, amounts receivable (payable) to affiliates consisted of the following:

	2010	2009
Current		
Receivable (payable) from WBW CHP LLC for reimbursable costs	\$ 71	\$ (4)
Receivable from IRL LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of OHH, for reimbursable costs	1	3
Payable to ABW Holdings, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of ABW Lewers LLC, for reimbursable costs	(71)	(116)
Payable to ESW LLC for contribution of certain operating assets	(14,824)	
Payable to OHH for reimbursable costs	(268)	(250)
	\$ (15,091)	\$ (367)
Noncurrent		
Payable to ESW LLC for contribution of certain operating assets	\$	\$ (14,874)
	\$	\$ (14,874)

The amount payable to ESW LLC was repaid in conjunction with the transaction with AAT in January 2011.

In accordance with the Hotel Management Agreement, OHH is entitled to a management fee equal to 3% of gross revenues and 6% of gross operating profit, as defined, not to exceed 3.5% of gross revenues in the aggregate. The management fee for the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009, and 2008 approximated \$951,

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\$924 and \$1,077, respectively. Under the terms of the Hotel Management Agreement, OHH may make available to the Hotel certain specialized services including services for marketing, reservations, information technology, accounting, human resources and purchasing. During the years ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, the Hotel paid OHH \$473, \$473 and \$564, respectively, for such services.

8. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The following methods and assumptions were used by the Hotel in estimating the fair value of financial instruments:

Cash, restricted cash, trade receivables and payables, current receivables and payables to affiliates: At December 31, 2010 and 2009, the Hotel believes that the carrying amounts of cash, restricted cash, trade receivables and payables, and current receivables and payables to affiliates approximate fair value due to the short-term nature of these financial instruments.

Noncurrent payable to affiliate: At December 31, 2009, the Hotel believed it was not practicable to determine the fair value of the noncurrent payable to affiliate due to the relationship between the Hotel and its affiliate.

Note payable: The fair value of the loan outstanding at December 31, 2009 was estimated using a discounted cash flow analysis, which utilizes interest rates currently being offered for loans with similar terms to borrowers of similar credit quality.

	Carrying	Fair
	Amount	Value
Note payable	\$ 53,000	\$ 50,260

At December 31, 2010, the Hotel believes that the carrying amount of the note payable approximates fair value as the terms of the note were modified in close proximity to the reporting period end date.

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Exhibit No.	Description
3.1(1)	Articles of Amendment and Restatement of American Assets Trust, Inc.
3.2(1)	Amended and Restated Bylaws of American Assets Trust, Inc.
4.1(1)	Form of Certificate of Common Stock of American Assets Trust, Inc.
10.1(2)	Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of American Assets Trust, L.P., dated January 19, 2011
10.2(2)	Registration Rights Agreement among American Assets Trust, Inc. and the persons named therein, dated January 19, 2011
10.3(1)	American Assets Trust, Inc. and American Assets Trust, L.P. 2011 Equity Incentive Award Plan
10.4(1)	Form of American Assets Trust, Inc. Restricted Stock Award Agreement (Time Vesting)
10.5(1)	Form of American Assets Trust, Inc. Restricted Stock Award Agreement (Performance Vesting)
10.6(1)	Form of Indemnification Agreement between American Assets Trust, Inc. and its directors and officers
10.7(1)	Representation, Warranty and Indemnity Agreement by and among American Assets Trust, Inc., American Assets Trust, L.P. and Ernest Rady Trust U/D/T March 10, 1983 dated as of September 13, 2010
10.8(1)	Indemnity Escrow Agreement by and among American Assets Trust, Inc., American Assets Trust, L.P. and the Ernest Rady Trust U/D/T March 10, 1983, dated as of September 13, 2010
10.9(2)	Tax Protection Agreement by and among American Assets Trust, Inc., American Assets Trust, L.P., and each partner set forth in Schedule I, Schedule II and Schedule III thereto, dated January 19, 2011
10.10(1)	Deed of Trust and Security Agreement by Alamo Stonecrest Holdings, LLC and Alamo Vista Holdings, LLC, as trustor, in favor of Heritage Title Company of Austin, Inc., as trustee, for the benefit of Morgan Stanley Mortgage Capital Inc., as beneficiary, dated as of December 31, 2003
10.11(1)	Form of Promissory Note by the borrower named therein to Morgan Stanley Mortgage Capital Inc.
10.12(1)	Mortgage, Assignment of Leases and Rents, Security Agreement, Financing Statement and Fixture Filing by Waikele Reserve West Holdings, LLC and Waikele Venture Holdings, LLC, as mortgagor, to Bear Stearns Commercial Mortgage, Inc., as mortgagee, dated as of October 28, 2004
10.13(1)	First Amendment to Mortgage, Assignment of Leases and Rents, Security Agreement, Financing Statement and Fixture Filing by and among Waikele Reserve West Holdings, LLC, Waikele Venture Holdings, LLC and Bear Stearns Commercial Mortgage, Inc., dated as of January 5, 2005
10.14(1)	Note Severance and Loan Document Modification Agreement by and between Bear Stearns Commercial Mortgage, Inc., Waikele Reserve West Holdings, LLC and Waikele Venture Holdings, LLC, dated as of November 3, 2004
10.15(1)	Form of Substitute Note by the borrower named therein to Bear Stearns Commercial Mortgage, Inc.
10.16(1)	Deed of Trust and Security Agreement by Landmark Venture Holdings, LLC and Landmark Firehill Holdings, LLC, as trustor, in favor of Chicago Title Company, as trustee, for the benefit of Morgan Stanley Mortgage Capital Inc., as beneficiary, dated as of June 13, 2005
10.17(1)	Form of Promissory Note by the borrower named therein to Morgan Stanley Mortgage Capital Inc.

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10.18(1)	Deed of Trust and Security Agreement by Del Monte POH, LLC, Del Monte DMSJH, LLC, Del Monte KMBC, LLC and Del Monte DMCH, LLC, as trustor, in favor of First American Title Insurance Company, as trustee, for the benefit of Column Financial, Inc., as beneficiary, dated as of June 30, 2005
10.19(1)	Form of Promissory Note by the borrower named therein to Column Financial, Inc.
10.20(1)	Mortgage, Assignment of Leases and Rents, Security Agreement, Financing Statement and Fixture Filing by ABW Holdings LLC, as mortgagor, to Column Financial, Inc., as mortgagee, dated as of February 15, 2007
10.21(1)	First Amendment to Mortgage and Other Loan Documents by and among ABW Holdings LLC, American Assets, Inc. Outrigger Enterprises, Inc. and Column Financial, Inc., dated as of October 31, 2007
10.22(1)	Promissory Note by ABW Holdings LLC, as maker, to Column Financial, Inc., dated as of February 15, 2007
10.23(1)	Multifamily Deed of Trust, Assignment of Rents, Security Agreement and Fixture Filing by Loma Palisades, a California general partnership, as trustor, to First American Title Insurance Company, as trustee, for the benefit of Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as beneficiary, dated as of June 30, 2008
10.24(1)	Multifamily Note by Loma Palisades, a California general partnership, to Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, dated as of June 30, 2008
10.25(2)	Transition Services Agreement between American Assets, Inc. and American Assets Trust, L.P., dated January 19, 2011
10.26(1)	Management Agreement for Waikiki Beach Walk [®] Retail between ABW Holdings LLC and Retail Resort Properties LLC, dated as of November 1, 2007
10.27(1)	Outrigger Hotels Hawaii Hotel Management Agreement Embassy Suites Waikiki Beach Walk Hotel by and among EBW Hotel LLC, Waikele Venture Holdings, LLC, Broadway 225 Sorrento Holdings, LLC, Broadway 225 Stonecrest Holdings, LLC and Outrigger Hotels Hawaii, dated as of January 10, 2006
10.28(1)	Form of Employment Agreement among American Assets Trust, Inc., American Assets Trust, L.P. and each of John W. Chamberlain, Robert F. Barton, Adam Wyll and Patrick Kinney
10.29(2)	Employment Agreement among American Assets Trust, Inc., American Assets Trust, L.P. and Ernest S. Rady, dated January 19, 2011
10.30(1)	Independent Director Compensation Policy
10.31(2)	Franchise License Agreement Embassy Suites Waikiki Beach Walk Honolulu, Hawaii between Embassy Suites Franchise LLC and WBW Hotel Lessee, LLC, dated January 19, 2011
10.32(3)	Credit Agreement among American Assets Trust, L.P., as the Borrower, American Assets Trust, Inc., as a Guarantor, Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer, and the other lenders party thereto and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as Joint Lead Arrangers and Joint Bookrunners and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Syndication Agent and KeyBank National Association and Royal Bank of Canada as Co-Documentation Agents, dated January 19, 2011
10.33(4)	Purchase Agreement between Two Main Development LLC, as Seller, and American Assets Trust, L.P., as Buyer, dated March 1, 2011

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10.34(5)	Deed of Trust and Security Agreement by and between AAT Oregon Office I, LLC, as Borrower, and PNC Bank, National Association, as Lender, dated June 1, 2011
10.35(5)	Promissory Note by AAT Oregon Office I, LLC, as maker, to PNC Bank, National Association, dated June 1, 2011
10.36(6)	First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated March 7, 2011, by and among the Company, the Operating Partnership, Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer, and other entities named therein
10.37(6)	Second Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated January 10, 2012, by and among the Company, the Operating Partnership, Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer, and other entities named therein
10.38(7)	Purchase and Sale Agreement between City Center Bellevue Property LLC, as Seller, and American Assets Trust, L.P., as Purchaser, dated July 30, 2012.
10.39(8)	Third Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated September 7, 2012, by and among the Company, the Operating Partnership, Bank of America, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer, and other entities named herein.
10.40(9)	Deed of Trust and Security Agreement by and between AAT CC Bellevue, LLC, as Borrower, and PNC Bank, National Association, as Lender, dated October 10, 2012.
10.41(9)	Promissory Note by AAT CC Bellevue, LLC, as maker, to PNC Bank, National Association, dated as of October 10, 2012.
21.1*	List of Subsidiaries of American Assets Trust, Inc.
23.1*	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP
23.2*	Consent of Accuity LLP
31.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
31.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
32.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
101*	The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language): (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) Consolidated Statements of Income, (iii) Consolidated Statements of Equity, (iv) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and (v) the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

* Filed herewith.

Pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, these interactive data files are deemed not filed or part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of Section 11 or 12 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, are deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and otherwise are not subject to liability under these sections.

- (1) Incorporated herein by reference to American Assets Trust, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-11, as amended (File No. 333-169326), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 13, 2010.
- (2) Incorporated herein by reference to American Assets Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 19, 2011.
- (3) Incorporated herein by reference to American Assets Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 20, 2011.

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- (4) Incorporated herein by reference to American Assets Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 3, 2011.
- (5) Incorporated herein by reference to American Assets Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 1, 2011.
- (6) Incorporated herein by reference to American Assets Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 10, 2012.
- (7) Incorporated herein by reference to American Assets Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 31, 2012.
- (8) Incorporated herein by reference to American Assets Trust, Inc.'s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 7, 2012.
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