# Multicultural Hub at the

# **BARBUR TRANSIT CENTER**



# **WHAT IS THIS OPPORTUNITY?**



A six acre publicly owned site and a new town center plan provides an once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to build a great place supportive of a strong multi-cultural community.

### WHAT IS THE COMMUNITY'S VISION?



A mixed-use mixed-income development featuring affordable housing co-located with a multi-cultural center and human services hub that includes community gathering spaces, early childhood education, health and nutrition services, wealth building training and support, and commercial space for Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) and immigrant owned small businesses.

#### COMMUNITY PRIORITIES

#### **CULTURAL STABILITY + SOLIDARITY**

- Affordable housing co-located with human services - 30% and 60% MFI
- Multi-cultural center and gathering spaces

### **ECONOMIC INCLUSION + OPPORTUNITY**

- Workforce training
- Space and services for BIPOC owned small businesses
- Multi-cultural marketplace with microenterprise small business support

#### PEOPLE-CENTERED **DESIGN**

- Safe and functional station with access across Barbur; connections through site to pedestrian bridge
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- Mt. Hood view corridor
- Easy public transit, pedestrian, and bike access to the site

### WHAT MAKES A SUCCESSFUL MULTICULTURAL HUB?



- Community-led and resourced engagement by East African and Arab Muslim communities to refine and implement their vision for a Multi-cultural Hub
- Culturally-specific art and imagery





### **PROGRAMMING**

- Affordable Housing
- Early Childhood Education
- Community Health Center
- Mental Health Services
- Hunger and Nutrition Services
- Wealth Building Support Services
  - Community Gathering Spaces



# **PRECEDENT EXAMPLES**





- Portland Mercado (Portland, OR)
- Orenco Station (Hillsboro, OR)
- Beaverton Central (Beaverton, OR)
- Lents Town Center (Portland, OR)
- Broadway TOD (Seattle, WA)
- Fourth Plain Common (Vancouver, WA)
- Fruitvale Transit Village (Oakland, CA)
- East Portland Community Investment Trust (Portland, OR)
- El Centro De La Raza (Seattle, WA)

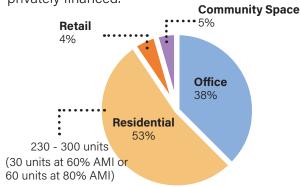
# **DEVELOPMENT SCENARIOS**

### **SCENARIO 1: FULLY PRIVATE**



#### **PROGRAM:**

Mixed-use program with five buildings, all privately financed.



<b>Total Project Cost</b>	\$158.5 million
Internal Rate of Return	2.1%

#### **KEY TAKEAWAYS:**

- Program is not financially feasible in recent market conditions
- Expensive on-site costs
- Expensive parking costs

### **SCENARIO 2: PUBLIC / PRIVATE / NON-PROFIT PARTNERSHIP**



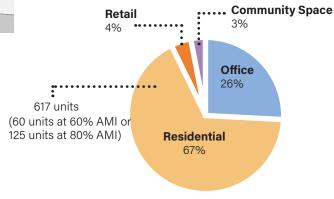
# PROGRAM:

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One building is assumed to be non-profit affordable housing. Public agencies help fund and construct all public facility (plazas, roads, green space). Non-profit organizations lead construction and development on certain buildings. Joint development is assumed for a site-wide podium / underground level, with private development of residential on top.

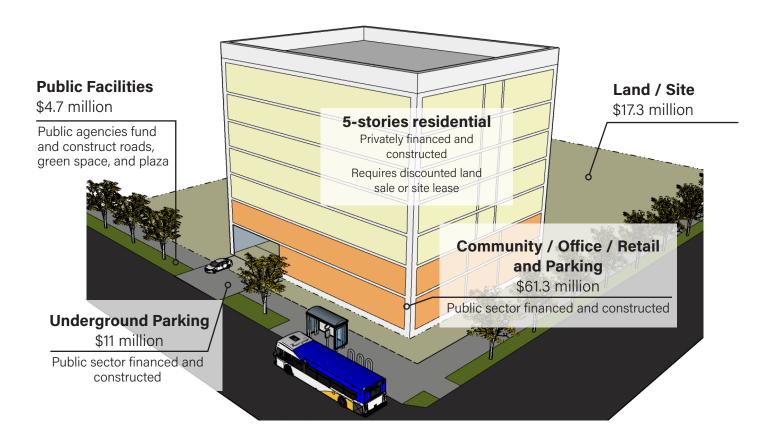
#### **KEY TAKEAWAYS:**

- This scenario yields an acceptable IRR of 12% in recent market conditions
- Requires significant partnerships to make deal structure work

Total Project Cost	\$186.5 million
Internal Rate of Return	12% (private sector portion only)



# **PUBLIC / PRIVATE / NON-PROFIT PARTNERSHIP**



### **INCREASING PROJECT FEASIBILITY REQUIRES:**

- Community-led refinement of base development scenario to increase revenue generating uses
- Discounted land sale or site lease via partnership with Oregon Department of Transportation
- Creative public/private development to lower infrastructure costs carried by private side (eg. TriMet use of FTA Joint Development Program)
- Consider new sources of gap financing (Tax Increment Financing, Portland Clean Energy Fund, housing bond funds, Federal Transit Administration grants, etc.)
- BIPOC communities-led planning and capital campaign for multi-cultural center and human services center

6 Major transit improvements bring an increase in market strengths