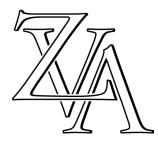
## AN ANALYSIS OF RESIDENTIAL MARKET POTENTIAL

# City Center Study Area

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#### INTRODUCTION

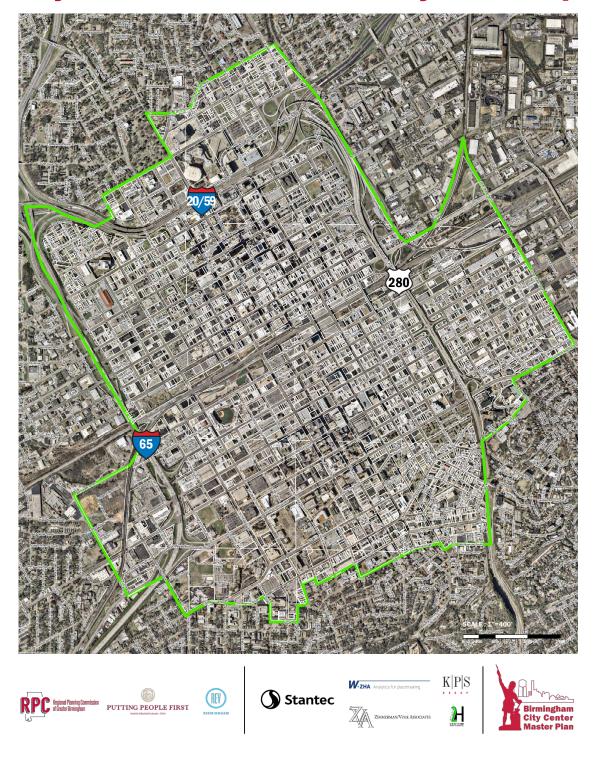
The purpose of this study is to determine the market potential and optimum market position for newly-introduced rental and for-sale housing units that could be developed within the City Center Study Area in the City of Birmingham, Alabama over the next five years.

The optimum market position for new housing units in the Study Area has been derived from: the housing preferences, financial capacities, and lifestyle characteristics of the target households; the Study Area's location, visibility and physical attributes; the rental and for-sale housing market context in the City Center market area; and Zimmerman/Volk Associates' extensive experience with downtown development and redevelopment. For the purposes of this analysis, the boundaries of the Study Area extend to approximately 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Avenues in the north, the railroad tracks and 32<sup>nd</sup> Street East in the east, follow an irregular boundaries in the south between approximately 10<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Avenues South, and 6<sup>th</sup> Street South and Interstate 65 to the west. (*See* map of Study Area following this page.)

The extent and characteristics of the potential market for new housing units that could be developed within the City Center Study Area were identified using Zimmerman/Volk Associates' proprietary target market methodology. This methodology was developed in response to the challenges that are inherent in the application of conventional supply/demand analysis to urban development and redevelopment. Supply/demand analysis ignores the potential impact of newly-introduced housing supply on settlement patterns, which can be substantial when housing choices in the market are increased with new housing types that match the housing preferences and economic capabilities of the draw area households.

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# **City Center Master Plan Study Area Map**

In contrast to conventional supply/demand analysis, which is typically limited by supply-side dynamics and baseline demographic projection, target market analysis determines the depth and breadth of the potential market derived from the housing preferences and socio-economic characteristics of households in the defined draw areas. Because it considers not only basic demographic characteristics, such as income qualification and age, but also less frequently analyzed attributes such as lifestage, mobility rates, lifestyle patterns and household compatibility issues, the target market methodology is particularly effective in defining a realistic housing potential for urban development and redevelopment where often no directly-comparable properties exist.

Based on the target market methodology, then, this analysis examined the following:

- <u>Where</u> the potential renters and buyers of new dwelling units that could be developed within the City Center Study Area currently live (the draw areas);
- <u>How many</u> households have the potential to move to the Study Area each year (depth and breadth of the market);
- <u>What</u> their housing preferences are in aggregate (rental or ownership, multi-family or single-family);
- <u>Who</u> are they and what they are like (the target markets);
- <u>What</u> are their current housing alternatives (the City Center market context);
- <u>What</u> are the rents and prices of new units that could be developed within the City Center Study Area that correspond to target household financial capabilities (optimum market position); and
- <u>How</u> quickly they will rent or purchase the new units (absorption forecasts).

The target market methodology is described in detail in the METHODOLOGY document, provided separately.

#### CITY-WIDE AVERAGE ANNUAL MARKET POTENTIAL

Analysis of migration, mobility and geo-demographic characteristics of households currently living within defined draw areas is integral to the determination of the depth and breadth of the potential market for new housing units within the City of Birmingham and the City Center Study Area.

An understanding of these mobility trends, as well as the socio-economic and lifestyle characteristics of households currently living within defined draw areas, is the first step in the analysis. The draw areas are derived primarily through household migration analysis (using the latest taxpayer data provided by the Internal Revenue Service). To refine the draw area for the city, the IRS migration data have been supplemented by population migration and mobility data for the City of Birmingham from the 2017 American Community Survey.

The most recent Jefferson County migration and mobility data—from taxpayer records compiled by the Internal Revenue Service from 2011 through 2015—and the 2017 American Community Survey for the City of Birmingham show that the draw areas for new and existing housing units in the city and the Study Area include the following:

- The <u>primary</u> draw area, covering households who live within the Birmingham city limits.
- The <u>local</u> draw area, covering households with the potential to move to the City of Birmingham from the balance of Jefferson County.
- The <u>regional</u> draw area, covering households with the potential to move to the City of Birmingham from Shelby, Tuscaloosa and St. Clair Counties.
- The <u>national</u> draw area, covering households with the potential to move to the City of Birmingham from all other U.S. cities and counties, particularly southeastern U.S. counties.

As derived from the migration, mobility and target market analysis, the draw area distribution of market potential (those households with the potential to move within or to Birmingham each year over the next five years) is as shown on the following table:

Average Annual Market Potential by Draw Area City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

City of Birmingham (Primary Draw Area):	57.1%
Balance of Jefferson County (Local Draw Area):	17.2%
Shelby, Tuscaloosa, and St. Clair Counties (Regional Draw Area):	7.3%
Balance of US (National Draw Area):	<u>18.4</u> %
Total:	100.0%

SOURCE: Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc., 2018.

As determined by the target market methodology, which accounts for household mobility within the City of Birmingham, as well as migration and mobility patterns for households currently living in all other cities and counties, an annual average of 18,500 households represent the potential market for new and existing housing units within the city each year over the next five years. (NOTE: This number includes all households, not just households with incomes at or above \$50,000 per year, which was the calculation used in 2004.)

#### AVERAGE ANNUAL MARKET POTENTIAL FOR THE CITY CENTER STUDY AREA

The target market methodology identifies those households that prefer living in downtowns and walkable urban neighborhoods. After eliminating those segments of the potential city-wide market that have preferences for new or existing housing in more suburban or rural areas, the distribution of draw area market potential for new and existing housing units in City Center is summarized on the following table:

#### Average Annual Market Potential by Draw Area CITY CENTER STUDY AREA City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

City of Birmingham (Primary Draw Area):	56.8%
Balance of Jefferson County (Local Draw Area):	13.7%
Shelby, Tuscaloosa, and St. Clair Counties (Regional Draw Area):	3.8%
Balance of US (National Draw Area):	<u>25.7</u> %
Total:	100.0%

SOURCE: Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc., 2018.

Based on the target market analysis, then, an annual average of 4,105 younger singles and couples, empty nesters and retirees, and compact families, with incomes over \$35,000 per year, represent the annual potential market for new and existing housing units of every kind within the City Center Study Area each year over the next five years (*see* Table 1 *following the text*).

The tenure (rental or ownership) preferences of these 4,105 draw area households show that approximately 49.5 percent of these households (or 2,032 households) comprise the annual potential market for new and existing rental units and the remaining 50.5 percent (2,073 households) comprise the market for new and existing for-sale (ownership) housing units.

The combined tenure and housing type propensities of the target 4,105 renter and owner households are outlined on the following table (*see again* Table 1 *following the text*):

Tenure/Housing Type Propensities Average Annual Market Potential Households With Annual Incomes Above \$35,000 CITY CENTER STUDY AREA City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

HOUSING TYPE	NUMBER OF Households	Percent Of Total
Multi-family for-rent (lofts/apartments, leaseholder)	2,032	49.5%
Multi-family for-sale (lofts/apartments, condo/co-op ownership)	345	8.4%
Single-family attached for-sale (townhouses/live-work, fee-simple/ condominium ownership)	403	9.8%
Single-family detached for-sale (houses, fee-simple ownership)	1,325	<u>32.3</u> %
Total	4,105	100.0%

SOURCE: Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc., 2018.

Excluding households with preferences for single-family houses, and potential buyer households with annual incomes below \$50,000, an annual average market potential of 2,420 households currently living in the defined draw areas represent the pool of potential renters and purchasers of new and existing housing units within City Center each year over the next five years. Based on the tenure and housing preferences of those 2,420 draw area households, the distribution of rental multi-family, for-sale multi-family, and for-sale single-family attached housing types is shown on the table following this page:

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#### Average Annual Market Potential Renter Households With Annual Incomes Above \$35,000 Buyer Households With Annual Incomes Above \$50,000 CITY CENTER STUDY AREA

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HOUSING TYPE	NUMBER	Percent
Multi-family for-rent (lofts/apartments, leaseholder)	2,032	84.0%
Multi-family for-sale (lofts/apartments, condo/co-op ownership)	193	8.0%
Single-family attached for-sale (townhouses/live-work, fee-simple/ condominium ownership)	195	<u>8.0</u> %
Total	2,420	100.0%
SOURCE: Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc., 20	)18.	

#### TARGET MARKET ANALYSIS

The aftermath of the housing crash has seen significant changes in market preferences from singleuse subdivisions to mixed-use, walkable neighborhoods, particularly downtowns and in-town neighborhoods. The preference for urban living evidenced by both younger and older one- and twoperson households has been a primary force in downtown redevelopment across the country,

These changes have been driven by the convergence of the preferences of the two largest generations in the history of America: the Baby Boomers (currently estimated at 74 million), older singles and couples born between 1946 and 1964, and the estimated 88 million Millennials, younger singles and couples who were born from 1977 to 1996 and, in 2010, surpassed the Boomers in population. The convergence of two generations of this size—simultaneously reaching a point when urban housing matches their lifestage—is unprecedented.

In addition to their shared preference for urban living, the Boomers and Millennials are changing housing markets in multiple ways. In contrast to the traditional family (married couples with children) that comprised the typical post-war American household, Boomers and Millennials are households of predominantly singles and couples. As a result, the 21st century home-buying market now contains more than 63 percent one- and two-person households, and the 37 percent of

homebuyers that could be categorized as family households are equally likely to be non-traditional as traditional families.

As determined by the target market analysis, and reflecting national trends, the annual potential market—represented by lifestage—for new rental and ownership housing units in the City Center Study Area is shown on the following table (*see also* Table 2 *following the text*):

Annual Market Potential By Lifestage And Housing Type Renter Households With Annual Incomes Above \$35,000 Buyer Households With Annual Incomes Above \$50,000 CITY CENTER STUDY AREA City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

Household Type	Percent Of Total	Multi- For-Rent	Family For-Sale	Single-Family Attached
Empty-Nesters & Retirees	17%	14%	30%	38%
Traditional & Non-Traditional Families	9%	7%	18%	27%
Younger Singles & Couples	<u>   74</u> %	<u>   79</u> %	<u>   52</u> %	<u>    35</u> %
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

SOURCE: Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc., 2018.

Younger singles and couples represent nearly three-quarters of the market for new dwelling units in the Study Area. The younger market includes a variety of white-collar professionals, young entrepreneurs, artists, and knowledge workers, as well as entry-level office employees, waiters and waitresses, and other retail workers—*New Power Couples, New Bohemians, Cosmopolitan Elite, The VIPs, Fast-Track Professionals, Suburban Achievers, Suburban Strivers, Small-City Singles,* and *Downtown Couples.* These younger singles and couples prefer to live in downtowns and urban neighborhoods for their diversity, and for the availability of employment, entertainment, and cultural opportunities within walking distance of their residences. Among the other principal factors in the largest share of the market held by younger singles and couples are:

- Their higher mobility rates—young people tend to move much more frequently than older people;
- Their strong preference for rental apartments, in part because they have not saved sufficient funds for a down payment and in part because the collapse of the housing

market during the Great Recession has made many of them skeptical about the value of owning versus renting; and

• The continued reduced mobility of empty nesters and retirees.

Sixty percent of the younger singles and couples that represent the market for new and existing housing units in the City Center Study Area would be moving from elsewhere in the city; just under 16 percent would be moving from the balance of Jefferson County and from the region; and approximately 24 percent would be moving from elsewhere in the United States.

At 17 percent of the annual potential market for new and existing housing units in the City Center Study Area, older households (empty nesters and retirees) represent the second largest share of the market. Most of these households have adult children who no longer live in the family home; many are enthusiastic participants in community life and are still actively involved in well-paying careers in the banking, legal and medical professions. These target groups range from the wealthiest households—the One Percenters, Old Money, and the Social Register, to the well-to-do Urban Establishment, Affluent Empty Nesters, Suburban Establishment, and Second City Establishment, to the financially-comfortable Multi-Ethnic Empty Nesters, Cosmopolitan Couples, Mainstream Empty Nesters, Middle-American Retirees, Blue-Collar Retirees, and Middle-Class Move-Downs.

Over 52 percent of the empty nesters and retirees would be moving from elsewhere within the City of Birmingham; 14.7 percent would be moving from the balance of Jefferson County; three percent currently live in one of the counties in the regional draw area; and the remaining 30 percent would be moving from elsewhere in the U.S.

Family-oriented households represent just nine percent of the market for new and existing dwelling units in the City Center. Households with children are now increasingly diverse and in many urban areas are largely non-traditional families. Heads of these households have banking careers and uppermiddle management jobs, or are professionals in the medical and legal sectors. These households include *Corporate Establishment, Nouveau Money, e-Type Families, Button-Down Families, Unibox Transferees, Fiber-Optic Families, Late-Nest Suburbanites, Full-Nest Suburbanites, Kids 'r' Us, Multi-Cultural Families, Multi-Ethnic Families,* and *Uptown Families.*  Nearly 49 percent of the family households are already living in the City of Birmingham, 26 percent live in the balance of Jefferson County and the regional draw area, and the remaining 25 percent would be moving from elsewhere in the U.S.

APPENDIX THREE, TARGET MARKET DESCRIPTIONS, contains detailed descriptions of each of these target market groups and is provided in a separate document. The METHODOLOGY, APPENDIX ONE AND TWO, TARGET MARKET TABLES document describes how the target market groups for the City Center Study Area have been determined.

#### THE CURRENT CONTEXT

Summary supply-side information for the City Center market area (covering multi-family rental properties, and for-sale condominiums and for-sale single-family attached properties) is provided in tabular form following the text: Table 3, Summary of Selected Rental Properties, and Table 4, Summary of Selected For-Sale Multi-Family and Single-Family Attached Properties.

Walk Score, a number between 0 and 100 denoting the walkability of a specific address or neighborhood, has grown in importance as a value criterion. Walk Scores above 90 indicate a "Walker's Paradise," where daily errands do not require a car. Walk Scores between 70 and 90 are considered to be very walkable, where most errands can be accomplished on foot, and Walk Scores between 50 and 69 are regarded as somewhat walkable, where some errands can be accomplished on foot. Walk Scores below 50 indicate that most or almost all errands require an automobile.

All but two of the 23 rental properties listed on Table 3 have Walk Scores above 70, very walkable and most have Walk Scores of 80 or above. Two properties have scores in the 90s—the Goodall Brown Lofts on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North and Terrace Court on 20<sup>th</sup> Street South.

#### *—Multi-Family Rental Properties—*

Table 3 provides detailed information on the 23 surveyed rental properties, covering more than 3,000 dwelling units, and is summarized in the following text.

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—Studios (10 properties)—

- Rents for studios range between \$555 per month at The LaSalle on 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, to \$1,250 per month at 20 Midtown, on 10<sup>th</sup> Street South.
- Studios contain between 330 square feet at The LaSalle and 672 square feet at Parkside Apartments on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue South.
- The studio rents per square foot range between \$1.66 at The Sheraton on Highland Avenue South and \$2.80 at LIV on Fifth on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue South.

#### -One-Bedroom Units (21 properties)-

- Rents for one-bedroom apartments range from \$750 per month at The LaSalle and The Sheraton to \$2,260 per month at the Pizitz on 19<sup>th</sup> Street North.
- One-bedroom units range in size from 400 square feet at The Sheraton to 1,480 square feet at the Goodall-Brown Lofts on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North.
- One-bedroom rents per square foot range between \$0.98 at the Goodall-Brown Lofts, to \$3.22 at Thomas Jefferson Towers on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North.

#### —Two-Bedroom Units (20 properties)—

- Rents for two-bedroom units range from \$820 per month for a two-bedroom/onebath apartment at Park Place on 24<sup>th</sup> Street North, to \$2,700 per month for a twobedroom/two-bath apartment at Thomas Jefferson Towers.
- Two-bedroom units range in size from 805 square feet for a two-bedroom/one-bath at Thomas Jefferson Towers, to 2,246 square feet at the Fix Play Lofts (two bedrooms/one bath).
- Two-bedroom rents per square foot fall between \$0.71 for two bedrooms and one bath at Fix Play Lofts on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North and \$2.23 at Parkside Apartments (two bedrooms/two baths).

#### —Three-Bedroom Units (3 properties)—

• Three-bedroom apartments are only offered at Park Place, with rental rates ranging between \$955 and \$1,495 per month, at the Venue at the Ball Park, with three-

bedroom rents at \$2,427 per month, and at Metropolitan Birmingham on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, where three-bedroom rents range between \$2,810 and \$2,915 per month.

- Three-bedroom apartments at Park Place contain between 1,146 and 1,272 square feet, at the Venue at the Ball Park between 1,313 and 1,316 square feet, and between 1,566 and 1,781 square feet at Metropolitan Birmingham.
- Three-bedroom rents per square foot range between \$0.83 and \$1.18 at Park Place, \$1.84 to \$1.85 at the Venue at the Ball Park, and between \$1.64 and \$1.79 at Metropolitan Birmingham.

Most of the surveyed rental properties are at or close to functional full occupancy (less than five percent vacancy rate); only one is in the initial lease-up stage. Nearly all of the properties provide a range of community amenities, typically fitness centers, clubhouses or residents' lounges, and business centers.

#### —Multi-Family For-Sale Properties—

Table 4 provides pricing and unit sizes and configuration information for the multiple condominiums and two townhouses listed for sale as of November 2018. The Franklin, a 14-unit redevelopment of the former Franklin, Stiles & Franklin Grocery Company on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North, is marketing units priced between \$154,900 and \$509,900. Current listings range from a one-bedroom/one-bath loft with 451 square feet priced at \$154,900, \$343 per square foot, to a three-bedroom/two-bath unit with 1,634 square feet priced at \$439,900, \$269 per square foot. Another new construction listing in the core downtown is the Liberty House condominium, a three-bedroom/two-bath addition to the Liberty House Loft building priced at \$549,000 for nearly 1,900 square feet of living space (\$290 per square foot).

Pre-sales of the New Ideal condominiums, a 38-unit redevelopment of the New Ideal building on  $2^{nd}$  Avenue North, began in the summer of 2018. Current listings range in price from \$144,900 for a one-bedroom/one-bath unit containing 425 square feet (\$341 per square foot) to \$439,900 for a two-bedroom-two-bath unit with 1,570 square feet (\$280 per square foot).

Thirty one- to three-bedroom condominiums are being built as part of the Lakeview Green mixeduse development at the site of the former Davis School on the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue South and 29<sup>th</sup> Street South. Current listings include a 562-square-foot one-bedroom/one-bath unit priced at \$209,999 (\$374 per square foot), two two-bedroom/two-bath condominiums containing nearly 1,100 square feet and priced at \$334,999 (\$305 per square foot), and a three-bedroom/three-bath unit at 1,685 square feet with an asking price of \$509,999 (\$303 per square foot).

Resale units in the Study Area have asking prices ranging from \$115,000 for a 625-square-foot, onebedroom/one-bath condominium at Kingsridge Highland on 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North (\$184 per square foot) to \$458,000 for a three-bedroom/two-bath unit containing 2,118 square feet of living space (\$216 per square foot) at Morris Place on Morris Avenue. Only two townhouses are currently on the market—both contain two-bedrooms and two-and-a-half baths. One is located on 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue South and priced at \$339,900 (1,764 square feet of living space, \$193 per square foot) and the other is in Highland Park on 33<sup>rd</sup> Street South and is listed at \$239,000 for 1,178 square feet (\$203 per square foot).

#### OPTIMUM MARKET POSITION: CITY CENTER STUDY AREA\_

As noted above under AVERAGE ANNUAL MARKET POTENTIAL FOR THE CITY CENTER STUDY AREA, the proposed price points for new rental and ownership housing units that could be developed within the City Center Study Area are derived from the income and financial capabilities of the 2,420 target draw area households (renter households with annual incomes at or above \$35,000; buyer households with incomes at or above \$50,000).

#### —Multi-Family For-Rent Distribution by Rent Range—

An annual average of 2,032 households with incomes at or above \$35,000 per year represent the target markets for newly-constructed rental housing units within the City Center Study Area (*as shown on* Table 5 *following the text*). Supportable rent ranges have been established at 25 to 30 percent of the monthly gross incomes of those 2,032 households, yielding the distribution shown on the table following this page:

#### New Multi-Family For-Rent Distribution by Rent Range Households With Annual Incomes Above \$35,000 CITY CENTER STUDY AREA City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

Monthly Rent Range	Households Per Year	Percentage
\$750-\$1,000	531	26.1%
\$1,000-\$1,250	448	22.1%
\$1,250-\$1,500	404	19.9%
\$1,500-\$1,750	269	13.2%
\$1,750-\$2,000	137	6.7%
\$2,000-\$2,250	108	5.3%
\$2,250-\$2,500	72	3.6%
\$2,500 and up	63	<u>3.1</u> %
Total:	2,032	100.0%

SOURCE: Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc., 2018.

- The largest group of target renters are younger singles and couples, at over 79 percent of the market for new rental units within the City Center Study Area. Just over five percent have careers that provide them with the financial capacity to afford rents at or above \$2,250 per month, primarily *New Power Couples* and *New Bohemians*. Another 10.4 percent of the younger singles and couples represent the market for units with rents between \$1,750 and \$2,250 per month—*Cosmopolitan Elite* and half of the *Fast-Track Professionals*. Approximately a third—the rest of the Fast-Track Professionals, The VIPs, and Suburban Achievers—can afford rents between \$1,250 and \$1,750 per month. The remaining 52 percent would only be able to support rents between \$750 and \$1,250 per month—the *Suburban Striver* and *Small-City Singles*.
- Empty nesters and retirees represent 13.8 percent of the market for new rental units within the City Center Study Area. Just over 11 percent of the target empty nester and retiree market—*The One Percenters, Old Money, The Social Register, Affluent Empty Nesters,* and many of the *Urban Establishment*—have the incomes that enable them to support rents above \$2,250 per month. More than 16 percent are able to afford rents between \$1,750 and \$2,250 per month—*Urban Establishment, Suburban Establishment, Second-City Establishment, Multi-Ethnic Empty Nesters,* and *Mainstream Empty Nesters.* The largest group, at 37 percent, represent the market for new units with rents between \$1,250 and \$1,750 per month, predominantly *Mainstream Empty Nesters, Cosmopolitan Couples,* and *Middle*-

American Retirees. Another 35 percent can support rents between \$750 and \$1,250 per month, Middle-American Retirees, Blue-Collar Retirees, and Middle-Class Move-Downs.

Traditional and non-traditional families make up the remaining 7.1 percent of the market for new rental units within the City Center Study Area. Just under 15 percent of the family market can afford rents above \$2,250 per month (*Corporate Establishment, e-Type Families, Nouveau Money, Button-Down Families,* and *Fiber-Optic Families*). Over 22 percent can support rents between \$1,750 and \$2,250 per month (*Unibox Transferees* and *Late-Nest Suburbanites*) with an additional 32 percent that can pay between \$1,250 and \$1,750 per month—*Full-Nest Suburbanites, Kids 'r' Us, Multi-Ethnic Families,* and *Multi-Cultural Families.* The remaining 31 percent can only afford rents between \$750 and \$1,250 per month (*Uptown Families.*)

#### —Multi-Family For-Sale Distribution by Price Range—

An annual average of 193 households with incomes above \$50,000 per year represent the target markets for newly-constructed for-sale multi-family housing units within the City Center (*as shown on* Table 6 *following the text*). Supportable price points have been determined by assuming a down payment of 10 percent, and a monthly mortgage payment, excluding taxes and utilities, that does not exceed 25 percent of gross income for each of the 193 annual households with incomes above \$50,000 per year that represent the annual potential for-sale multi-family market, yielding the distribution shown on the following table:

New Multi-Family For-Sale Distribution by Price Range Households With Annual Incomes Above \$50,000 CITY CENTER STUDY AREA City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

Price Range	Households Per Year	Percentage
\$150,000-\$200,000	20	10.4%
\$200,000-\$250,000	44	22.8%
\$250,000-\$300,000	46	23.9%
\$300,000-\$350,000	30	15.5%
\$350,000-\$400,000	24	12.4%
\$400,000-\$450,000	16	8.3%
\$450,000 and up	13	<u>    6.7</u> %
Total:	193	100.0%

SOURCE: Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc., 2018.

- Younger singles and couples comprise a little over half of the market for new for-sale multifamily units (condominiums) within the City Center Study Area. Approximately 26.5 percent of the younger singles and couples, *New Power Couples*, the *New Bohemians*, and the *Cosmopolitan Elite*, have the income and assets to purchase new condominiums with base prices over \$350,000. A plurality, 47 percent, would be in the market for new units priced between \$250,000 and \$350,000 (*The Fast-Track Professionals* and the more affluent of the *VIPs*). The remaining majority, 26.5 percent, including the somewhat less affluent *VIPs*, can only afford new condominiums with base prices between \$150,000 and \$250,000.
- Empty nesters and retirees represent just under 30 percent of the market for new condominiums within the City Center Study Area. Over 28 percent of the empty nesters and retirees could afford new units priced over \$350,000, primarily the One Percenters, Old Money, the Social Register, Affluent Empty Nesters, the Urban Establishment, Suburban Establishment, Second City Establishment, and Multi-Ethnic Empty Nesters). Another 32 percent would be in the market for new condominiums with base prices between \$250,000 and \$350,000, including Mainstream Empty Nesters and some of the Cosmopolitan Couples. The remaining 40.4 percent could afford new condominiums priced between \$150,000 and \$250,000—Cosmopolitan Couples and Middle-American Retirees.
- Traditional and non-traditional families are the smallest market segment at approximately 17.6 percent of the market for new condominiums in the City Center Study Area. Approximately 41 percent could afford new units priced between \$150,000 and \$250,000—*Kids 'r' Us, Multi-Ethnic Families, Multi-Cultural Families,* and *Uptown Families.* Another 29.4 percent of the family households would be in the market for new condominiums with base prices between \$250,000 and \$350,000, *Unibox Transferees, Late-Nest Suburbanites,* and *Full-Nest Suburbanites.* Over 29 percent, *Corporate Establishment, e-Type Families, Button-Down Families,* and *Nouveau Money,* have the income and assets to purchase new condominiums priced over \$350,000.

#### —Single-Family Attached For-Sale Distribution by Price Range—

An annual average of 195 households with incomes above \$50,000 per year represent the target markets for newly-constructed single-family attached housing units (townhouses) within the City

Center Study Area (*as shown on* Table 7 *following the text*). As with the for-sale condominiums, supportable price points for the townhouses have been determined by assuming a down payment of 10 percent, and a monthly mortgage payment, excluding taxes and utilities, that does not exceed 25 percent of gross income for each of the 195 households that represent the annual potential townhouse market, yielding the distribution shown on the following table:

New Single-Family Attached For Sale Distribution by Price Range Households With Annual Incomes Above \$50,000 CITY CENTER STUDY AREA City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

Price	Households	
RANGE	PER YEAR	Percentage
\$150,000-\$200,000	15	7.7%
\$200,000-\$250,000	39	20.0%
\$250,000-\$300,000	48	24.7%
\$300,000-\$350,000	26	13.3%
\$350,000-\$400,000	25	12.8%
\$400,000-\$450,000	23	11.8%
\$450,000-\$500,000	10	5.1%
\$500,000 and up	_9	4.6%
Total:	195	100.0%

SOURCE: Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc., 2018.

- The largest group of target buyers of townhouses are the empty nesters and retirees, at nearly 38 percent of the market for new for-sale single-family attached units within the City Center Study Area. Over 24 percent of the empty nesters and retirees represent the market for townhouses with base prices above \$400,000, including *The One Percenters, Old Money,* the *Social Register, Affluent Empty Nesters, Urban Establishment,* and *Suburban Establishment.* Another 47 percent—*Second City Establishment, Multi-Ethnic Empty Nesters, Mainstream Empty Nesters,* and the *Cosmopolitan Couples*—could afford to purchase townhouses with base prices ranging between \$150,000 and \$250,000—primarily the *Middle-American Retirees.*
- At over a 35 percent share, the next largest group of target buyers of townhouses in the City Center Study Area is younger singles and couples. Approximately 27.5 percent represent the market for new townhouses with base prices between \$150,000 and \$250,000, the least affluent of *The VIPs*. The majority of this market—56.5 percent—the more affluent of *The*

*VIPs*, the *Fast-Track Professionals*, and the *Cosmopolitan Elite*—are able to purchase new townhouses with base prices between \$250,000 and \$400,000. The remaining 15.9 percent have the income and assets that enable them purchase new units priced above \$400,000—*New Power Couples* and *New Bohemians*.

Traditional and non-traditional families comprise 26.7 percent of the market for new townhouses within the City Center Study Area. A quarter of the target traditional and non-traditional families—primarily *Corporate Establishment, e-Type Families, Nouveau Money, Button-Down Families, Fiber-Optic Families,* and some of the *Unibox Transferees*—have the income and assets that enable them to purchase new townhouses with base prices above \$400,000. Just over 48 percent of the family market can afford base prices of new townhouses between \$250,000 and \$350,000 (the remaining *Unibox Transferees, Late-Nest Suburbanites, Full-Nest Suburbanites, Kids 'r' Us,* and *Multi-Ethnic Families*); and the remaining 26.9 percent can support base prices between \$150,000 and \$250,000 (*Multi-Cultural Families* and *Uptown Families*).

-OPTIMUM MARKET POSITION: CITY CENTER STUDY AREA-

As detailed in the preceding section, an annual average of 2,032 potential renters with incomes of \$35,000 or more per year, 193 potential condominium purchasers with incomes of \$50,000 or more per year, and 195 potential townhouse purchasers, also with incomes of \$50,000 or more per year, comprise the annual potential market for new rental and ownership housing units in the City Center Study Area over the next five years. The optimum market position for new housing in the City Center has therefore been developed based on a variety of factors, including but not limited to:

- The tenure and housing preferences, financial capabilities, and lifestages of the target households;
- The assets and amenities located throughout the City Center; and
- Current market area residential market dynamics.

Based on these factors, the optimum market position for new rental and for-sale housing within the City Center Study Area is summarized on the table following this page (*see also* Table 8 *following the text for greater detail*):

December, 2018

#### Optimum Market Position Renter Households With Annual Incomes Above \$35,000 Buyer Households With Annual Incomes Above \$50,000 CITY CENTER STUDY AREA City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

Housing Type	Unit Rent/Price	Unit Size	Base Rent/Price
	Range	Range	Per Sq. Ft.
Multi-Family For-Ren	T—84%		
Lofts	\$900 to	350 to	\$1.82 to
	\$1,550	850 sf	\$2.57
Apartments	\$1,000 to	450 to	\$1.96 to
	\$2,650	1,350 sf	\$2.22
Multi-Family For-Sal	E—8%		
Condominiums	\$195,000 to	600 to	\$243 to
	\$450,000	1,850 sf	\$325
SINGLE-FAMILY ATTACH	ed For-Sale—8%		
Townhouses	\$325,000 to	1,200 to	\$250 to
	\$590,000	2,000 sf	\$271

SOURCE: Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc., 2018.

Based on the mix of unit types, sizes, and rents/prices outlined in the optimum market position, the weighted average rents and prices for each of the housing types are shown on the table following this page:

#### Weighted Average Base Rents/Prices and Size Ranges Renter Households With Annual Incomes Above \$35,000 Buyer Households With Annual Incomes Above \$50,000 CITY CENTER STUDY AREA City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

Housing Type	WEIGHTED AVERAGE Base Rents/Prices	Weighted Average Unit Size	Weighted Average Base Rents/Prices Per Sq. Ft.
MULTI-FAMILY FOR-RENT			
Lofts Apartments	\$1,155 \$1,473	513 sf 698 sf	\$2.25 psf \$2.11 psf
Multi-Family For-Sale			
Condominiums	\$306,750	1,093 sf	\$281 psf
Single-Family Attached For-Sal	E		
Townhouses	\$387,500	1,498 sf	\$259 psf
SOURCE: Zimmerman/Volk Associates	s, Inc., 2018.		

The proposed prices are in year 2018 dollars and are exclusive of location or floor premiums and consumer-added options or upgrades. Location will have a significant impact on values, ranging from as much as a 10 percent premium on new properties located in the most walkable and amenity-laden areas to a reduction of up to five percent on new properties located in auto-dependent, less walkable parts of the City Center Study Area.

#### -MARKET CAPTURE-

Based on 30 years' experience employing the target market methodology in urban locations at every scale in 47 states, and given current economic conditions, Zimmerman/Volk Associates has determined that a capture of between 15 to 20 percent of the annual potential market for new multi-family rentals, and between approximately 10 to 12.5 percent of the annual potential market for new multi-family and single-family attached for-sale units could be achievable in the City Center Study Area.

Annual average absorption over the next five years within the City Center is forecast as shown on the table following this page (see again Table 8):

#### Annual Forecast Absorption Renter Households With Annual Incomes Above \$35,000 Buyer Households With Annual Incomes Above \$50,000 CITY CENTER STUDY AREA City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

HOUSING TYPE	NUMBER OF Households	CAPTURE RATES	Annual Units Absorbed
Multi-family for-rent	2,032	15 - 20%	323 - 372
Multi-family for-sale	193	10 - 12.5%	20 - 24
Single-family attached for-sale	195	10 - 12.5%	20 - 24
Total	2,420		363 - 420 units

SOURCE: Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc., 2018.

Based on these capture rates, the City Center Study Area should be able to absorb between 363 and 420 new rental and for-sale housing units per year each year over the next five years, or a total of 1,815 to 2,100 units over the five year timeframe.

New housing units, configured according to target market preferences, can not only attract new households to the City Center Study Area and to the City of Birmingham, but can also provide appropriate alternatives to households that, due to a change in household composition or economic status, might otherwise have moved out.

The capture rates of the annual potential market used here fall within the target market methodology's parameters of feasibility.

NOTE: The target market capture rates of the potential purchaser or renter pool are a unique and highly-refined measure of feasibility. Target market capture rates are not equivalent to—and should not be confused with—penetration rates or traffic conversion rates.

The **target market capture rate** is derived by dividing the *annual* forecast absorption—in aggregate and by housing type—by the number of households that have the potential to purchase or rent new housing within a specified area *in a given year*.

The **penetration rate** is derived by dividing the *total* number of dwelling units planned for a property by the *total* number of draw area households, sometimes qualified by income.

The **traffic conversion rate** is derived by dividing the *total* number of buyers or renters by the *total* number of prospects that have visited a site.

Because the prospective market for a property or study area is more precisely defined using the residential target market methodology, a substantially smaller number of households are qualified; as a result, target market capture rates are higher than the more grossly-derived penetration rates. The resulting higher capture rates remain within the range of feasibility.

#### -BUILDING AMENITIES-

New buildings in the City Center Study Area should include 21st century urban amenities, with a technology focus, including an emphasis on "the internet of things" enabling remote access to HVAC,

appliances, lighting and security. Particularly important would be features designed to help residents control energy usage and utility costs, such as:

- Internet-enabled thermostat;
- Energy-Star HVAC and appliances;
- Internet-enabled lighting and outlets;
- USB charging outlets in the kitchen and master bedroom; and
- Built-in LED lighting.

Amenities in larger buildings could include a small fitness center with treadmills, bikes, Stairmasters, and free weights; a small business center; outdoor and indoor community gathering spaces, *e.g.*, Wi-Fi café, bar and kitchen. The kitchen could be designed as a demonstration chef's kitchen with adjoining dining area that could be leased for dinner parties, or used by local chefs. Outdoor spaces should include a fire pit or other focal gathering points.

Other community amenities that are not very expensive to provide but are highly attractive to the target markets include storage units, secure bicycle storage with bicycle repair and maintenance room, or "velo room," including a repair stand, standard bike tools and air pumps, and recycling bins in the mail room. Because dogs have now become the equivalent of urban children, a dog washing station should also be provided.

#### CITY CENTER BUILDING AND UNIT TYPES

Building and unit types most appropriate for the City Center Study Area include:

#### -MULTI-FAMILY BUILDINGS-

• <u>Courtyard Apartment Building</u>: In new construction, an urban-scale, pedestrian-oriented equivalent to conventional garden apartments. An urban courtyard building is at minimum three, and typically four or more stories, often combined with non-residential uses on the ground floor, or with a ground floor configured for later conversion from residential to retail use. The building should be built to the sidewalk edge and when the ground-floor serves a permanent residential use it should be elevated significantly above grade to provide privacy and a sense of security. Parking is either below grade, at grade behind or in a parking courtyard, or in an integral structure.

- Liner Building: An apartment building with apartments and/or lofts lining two to four sides of a multi-story parking structure. Units are typically served from a single-loaded corridor that often includes access to parking. Ground floors typically include a traditional apartment
- lobby and can also include maisonette apartments, retail or some combination of the two.
- <u>Loft Apartment Building</u>: Either adaptive re-use of older warehouse or manufacturing buildings or a new-construction building type inspired by those buildings. The new-construction version is usually elevator-served with double-loaded corridors.
- <u>Mansion Apartment Building</u>: A two- to three-story flexible-use structure with a street façade resembling a large detached or attached house (hence, "mansion"). The attached version of the mansion, typically built to a sidewalk on the front lot line, is most appropriate for downtown locations. Because of the small number of units, mansion buildings are particularly well-suited to condominium development since meeting pre-sales financing requirements is less challenging. The mansion building can also accommodate a variety of uses—from apartments, professional offices, any of these uses over ground-floor retail, a bed and breakfast inn, or a large single-family detached house—and its physical structure complements other buildings within a neighborhood.

Parking behind the mansion buildings can be either alley-loaded, or front-loaded served by shared drives. The form of the parking can be in open lots, in garages with units above, or integral to the building.

Mansion buildings should be strictly regulated in form, but flexible in use. However, flexibility in use is somewhat constrained by the handicapped accessibility regulations in both the Fair Housing Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

- <u>Mixed-Use</u> <u>Building</u>: A pedestrian-oriented building, either attached or free-standing, with apartments and/or offices over flexible ground floor uses that can range from retail to office to residential.
- <u>Podium Building</u>: An apartment building construction type with three to five stories of stickframe residential units (lofts or apartments) built over one or two levels of above-grade

structured parking, usually constructed with reinforced concrete. With a well-conceived street pattern, a podium building can include ground-level non-residential uses lining one or more sides of the parking deck.

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- <u>Apartments</u>: More conventionally-finished single-level units, typically with completelypartitioned rooms.—trim, interior doors, kitchens and baths are often fitted out with higherend finishes and fixtures than in lofts.
- <u>Lofts</u>: Unit interiors typically have high ceilings, are fully finished and partitioned into individual rooms. Units may also contain architectural elements reminiscent of hard lofts, such as exposed ceiling beams and ductwork, concrete floors and industrial finishes, particularly if the building is an adaptive re-use of an existing industrial structure.
- <u>Microlofts</u>: Several cities across the country are changing minimum unit size requirements as part of a strategy to attract young knowledge workers with contemporary yet affordable units. Millennial knowledge workers have responded positively to efficiency units as small as 220 square feet, often leasing out new micro loft projects within a matter of days.
- <u>Mezzanine lofts</u>: Lofts with an additional half level, the mezzanine, that typically occur only on the uppermost full floor of a multi-family building. The main double-height space—with at least 16-foot ceilings—should have large, two-story windows. The kitchen and often a half bath are on the main level, at least one full bath is located on the mezzanine.

#### —Single-Family Attached—

• <u>Townhouses</u>: Similar in form to a conventional suburban townhouse except that the garage—either attached or detached—is located to the rear of the unit and accessed from an alley or auto court. Unlike conventional townhouses, urban rowhouses/townhouses conform to the pattern of streets, typically with shallow front-yard setbacks. To provide privacy and a sense of security, the first floor should be elevated significantly above the sidewalk. The rowhouse, as distinct from the townhouse, typically has a uniform front façade and cornice height.

- <u>Duplexes</u>: Two-unit townhouses with the garages—either attached or detached—located to the rear of the units. Like the rowhouses, urban duplexes conform to the pattern of streets, typically with shallow front-yard setbacks. In a corner location, duplex units can each front a different street.
- <u>Live-work</u> is a unit or building type that accommodates non-residential uses in addition to, or combined with living quarters. The typical live-work unit is a building, either attached or detached, with a principal dwelling unit that includes space that can be used as office, retail, or studio space, or as an accessory dwelling unit. Regardless of the form they take, live-work units should be flexible in order to respond to economic, social and technological changes over time and to accommodate as wide as possible a range of potential uses. The unit configuration must also comply with the requirements of the Fair Housing Amendments Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

#### **Annual Market Potential**

Annual Average Number Of Draw Area Households With The Potential To Move To The City CenterStudy Area Each Year Over The Next Five Years Households With Annual Incomes Above \$35,000

#### City Center Study Area

City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

City of Birmingham; Balance of Jefferson County; Shelby, Tuscaloosa, and St. Clair Counties, Alabama; and Balance of the United States Draw Areas

Annual Target Market Households With The Potential To Rent/Purchase In the City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama	18,500
Annual Target Market Households	

With The Potential To Rent/Purchase In The City Center Study Area 4,105

#### **City Center Average Annual Market Potential**

		lti- nily	Sin Far	gle- nily	
	For-Rent	For-Sale	Attached	Detached All Ranges	Total
Total Households: { <i>Mix Distribution</i> }:	·	345 8.4%	403 9.8%	1,325 32.3%	4,105 100.0%

#### City Center Average Annual Market Potential (Excluding Single-Family Detached)

	Mu Fan	lti- 1ily	Single- Family	
	For-Rent	For-Sale	Attached All Ranges	Total
Total Households: {Mix Distribution}:	2,032 73.1%	345 12.4%	403 14.5%	2,780 100.0%

NOTE: Reference Appendix One, Tables 1 Through 11.

SOURCE: Claritas, Inc.; Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc.

### Annual Market Potential By Lifestage And Housing Type

Annual Average Number Of Draw Area Households With The Potential To Move To The City Center Study Area Each Year Over The Next Five Years Households With Annual Incomes Above \$35,000

### City Center Study Area

City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

		Mul Fan		Single- Family Attached	
	Total	For-Rent	For-Sale	All Ranges	
Number of Households:	2,780	2,032	345	403	
Empty Nesters & Retirees	16%	14%	21%	24%	
Traditional & Non-Traditional Families	8%	7%	10%	13%	
Younger Singles & Couples	76%	79%	69%	64%	
-	100%	100%	100%	100%	

SOURCE: Claritas, Inc.; Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc.

City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

Property (Date Opened) Address	Number <u>of Units</u>		Reported Base Rent	_	Reported Unit Size		Rent per Sq. Ft.	<b>.</b> .	Additional Information		
			Downtown								
Park Place	421				Apartments	5			97% occupancy		
(2005)		1br/1ba	\$840	to	741	to	\$1.13	to	Swimming pool,		
600 24th Street North			\$1,300		766		\$1.70		clubhouse,		
74 Walk Score		2br/1ba	\$820	to	917	to	\$0.89	to	fitness center,		
			\$1,045		980		\$1.07		playground,		
		2br/1.5ba	\$810	to	940		\$0.86	to	courtyard,		
			\$1,010				\$1.07		laundry facilities,		
		3br/2ba	\$955	to	1,146	to	\$0.83	to	and controlled		
			\$1,495		1,272		\$1.18		access.		
				••••	Townhouses	s					
		2br/1.5ba	\$835	to	1,063	to	\$0.77	to			
			\$1,115		1,456		\$0.79				
Advenir at Station 121	<b>255</b> <i>Apartments</i> <b>93% occupancy</b>										
(2010)		Studio/1ba	\$989	to	567	to	\$1.74	to	Swimming pool,		
2000 2nd Avenue South			\$1,265		587		\$2.16		business center,		
82 Walk Score		1br/1ba	\$1,185	to	630	to	\$1.88	to	dog run,		
			\$1,574		815		\$1.93		media room,		
		2br/2ba	\$1,144	to	877	to	\$1.30	to	terrace and grills,		
			\$2,085		1,394		\$1.50		and fitness center.		
Jemison Flats	59				Lofts				100% occupancy		
(1909; 2003)		Studio/1ba	\$1,000		540		\$1.85		Courtyard with		
1827 1st Avenue North		1br/1ba	\$1,050		635	to	\$1.08	to	grilling area,		
87 Walk Score					970		\$1.65		fitness center,		
					Apartments	s			and car wash		
		2br/2ba	\$1,625	to	1,165	to	\$1.19	to	area.		
			\$1,750		1,475		\$1.39				
Goodall-Brown Lofts	36			••••	Apartments	5			94% occupancy		
(1905)		1br/1ba	\$1,249	to	1,105	to	\$0.98	to	Clubhouse, and		
2202 1st Avenue North			\$1,449		1,480		\$1.13		controlled access.		
95 Walk Score		2br/1ba	\$1,440		1,502		\$0.96				
Fix Play Lofts	24	41 / - 1	,		Apartments	5			96% occupancy		
(1910)		1br/1ba	n/a		1,331		n/a		Piano bar,		
2300 1st Avenue North 81 Walk Score		2br/1ba	\$1,600		2,246		\$0.71		and controlled access.		

City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

Property (Date Opened) Address	Numbe of Unit		Reported Base Rent		Reported Unit Size		t per . Ft.		Additional Information		
		Fo	untain Heig	hts .							
<b>Phoenix Lofts (1940)</b> 1710 2nd Avenue North 70 Walk Score	74	2br/2ba	br/2ba n/a 1,800 n/a Secure access fitness cer					<b>100% occupancy</b> Secure access entry, fitness center, and artwork.			
The Pizitz	143	Apartments n/a									
<b>(1923; 2016)</b> 120 19th Street North	145	1br/1ba	\$1,055 \$2,260	to	500 966	to \$2 \$2	2.34		Rooftop pool, sundeck, clubhouse, lounge,		
85 Walk Score		2br/2ba	\$1,729 \$2,145	to	898 1,093		1.93 1.96	to	fitness center, and LEED certified.		
Thomas Jefferson Towers	<b>100</b> <i>Apartments</i> <b>94% occupancy</b>										
<b>(1929)</b> 1623 2nd Avenue North		1br/1ba	\$1,335 \$1,610	to	500 500	to \$2	2.67 3.22	to	Fitness center, bike work shop,		
70 Walk Score		2br/1ba	\$1,400		805	\$1	1.74		pet wash station,		
		2br/2ba	\$2,660 \$2,700	to	1,570		l.69 l.72	to	terrace, ballroom, and controlled access.		
			. Southside								
LIV on Fifth	66			F	Apartments				100% occupancy		
<b>(1920)</b> 2201 5th Avenue South 81 Walk Score		Studio/1ba	\$1,100 \$1,400	to	500 500		2.20 2.80	to	Fitness center, and club room, rooftop lounge.		
Matronalitan Pirminaham	262				1 mantus anta				In lance we		
Metropolitan Birmingham (2018) 2900 7th Avenue South	202	1br/1ba	\$1,150 \$1,825	to	Apartments 504 938	to \$1	1.95 2.28	to	<b>In lease-up</b> Rooftop lounge, sundeck,		
80 Walk Score		2br/2ba	\$1,823 \$1,850 \$2,610	to		to \$1		to	media center, movie theater.		
		3br/2ba	\$2,810 \$2,810 \$2,915	to	1,566 1,781	to \$1	l.64 l.79	to	moore meater.		
			-								
<b>The Waites</b> (2017) 707 Richard Arrington Junior	45	1br/1ba	\$1,350 \$1,500	A to	Apartments 712 840	to \$1	1.79 1.90	to	<b>100% occupancy</b> Study/conference room, fitness center,		
Boulevard South 85 Walk Score		2br/2ba	\$1,750 \$1,900	to	1,015 1,120	to \$1	1.70 1.72	to	controlled access, and keyless entry system.		

City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

Property (Date Opened) Address	Number of Units	Unit Type	Reported Base Rent	Report Unit S		Rent per Sq. Ft.	Additional Information					
		Sout	hside {contir	1ued}								
Iron City Lofts (2015)	67	1br/1ba	n/a	Apartme 4	<i>nts</i> 50 to	n/a	<b>99% occupancy</b> Pool, clubhouse,					
2725 4th Avenue South					37		business center,					
57 Walk Score		2br/2ba	\$1,600 \$1,900	to 9 1,0	06 to 50	\$1.77 t \$1.81	o fitness center, pet washing station, controlled access, and breakfast bar.					
		Fiz	ve Points Soi	uth								
Southside Station	30			Apartme	nte		97% occupancy					
(1994)	50	1br/1ba	\$1,048	,	66 56	\$1.37	Gated access.					
401 19th Street South		2br/2ba	n/a		90 to	n/a	Guica access.					
78 Walk Score		2017 204	11 <i>7</i> u	11		n, u						
The LaSalle	<b>32</b> <i>Apartments</i> <b>100% occupancy</b>											
(1924)		Studio/1ba	\$555	,	30	\$1.68 t	1 1					
2020 11th Avenue South			\$625			\$1.89	laundry facilities,					
86 Walk Score		1br/1ba	\$750	to 5	25 to	\$1.29 t						
			\$900	7	00	\$1.43	parking security.					
The Dulion	45			Apartme	nts		100% occupancy					
(1926)	9	Studio/1ba	\$650	to 3	52 to	\$1.72 t						
2030 11th Avenue South			\$700	4	)7	\$1.85	laundry facilities,					
87 Walk Score		1br/1ba	\$800	to 5	31 to	\$1.03 t	o on-site retail,					
			\$850	8	22	\$1.51	and parking security.					
		2br/2ba	n/a	1,0	63	n/a						
Terrace Court	40			Apartme	nts		100% occupancy					
(1908; 2009)		1br/1ba	\$835	n		n/a	Laundry facilities,					
1124 20th Street South		2br/1ba	\$1,045	n		n/a	and fitness center.					
92 Walk Score		2br/2ba	\$1,245	n		n/a	, ,					
Carriage Court	39			Apartme			100% occupancy					
(1991)		1br/1ba	\$1,018		37 to	\$1.37 t	o Controlled access.					
1812 4th Avenue South		<b>a</b> 1	\$1,033		56	\$1.48						
77 Walk Score		2br/2ba	n/a	1,0 1,0	l6 to 29	n/a						

City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

Property (Date Opened)	Number of Units	Unit Type	Reported Base Rent		Reported Unit Size		Rent per Sq. Ft.		Additional Information
Address	oj anno		Duse rem					-	1 maillonai Injormation
		Five Poir	1ts South {c	ontini	ued}				
The Venue at the Ball Park	236				partments				n/a
(2016)		Studio/1ba	\$1,064	to	484		\$1.99	to	Pool, terrace,
200 16th Street South			\$1,104		556		\$2.20		grilling stations,
81 Walk Score		1br/1ba	\$1,164	to	694	to	\$1.55	to	skylounge,
			\$1,314		849		\$1.68		club rooms,
		2br/2ba	\$1,758		838	to	\$1.82	to	fitness center,
					967		\$2.10		business center,
		3br/3ba	\$2,427		1,313	to	\$1.84	to	conference rooms,
					1,316		\$1.85		and controlled access.
					Lofts				
		1br/1.5ba	\$1,479		694	to	\$1.74	to	
					849		\$2.13		
		4br/4ba	\$3,196		1,482		\$2.16		
Flats on 4th	86			A	partments	ş			100% occupancy
(2017)		Studio/1ba	\$1,070		397		\$2.70		Open air terrace
1508 4th Avenue South		1br/1ba	\$1,385	to	736	to	\$1.88	to	, with seating,
85 Walk Score			\$1,540		770		\$2.00		pet spa,
		2br/2ba	\$1,925	to	1,022	to	\$1.66	to	car care center,
			\$2,100		1,262		\$1.88		and clubroom.
University House	496			A	partments	5			n/a
1300 3rd Avenue South		1br/1ba	\$1,150		589		\$1.95		Swimming pool, fitness
67 Walk Score		2br/2ba	\$1,580		878		\$1.80	(	center, clubroom, compute
		4br/4ba	\$2,360		1,384		\$1.71		centers, study rooms, and
			. ,						and controlled access.
20 Midtown	111			Δ	partments	2			99% occupancy
304 20th Street South		Studio/1ba	\$1,225	to	586 5		\$1.88	to	
77 Walk Score		<i>fuuio</i> /10u	\$1,250		665	10	\$2.09	10	sundeck, fitness center,
// Walk beere		1br/1ba	\$1,425	to	768	to	\$1.73	to	5
		101/104	\$1,525		879		\$1.86		room, pet park,
		2br/2ba	\$2,125		1,151		\$1.85		and washing station.
									0
Parkside Apartments	228		,		partments				96% occupancy
(2015; 2019)		Studio/1ba	n/a		658	to	n/a		Pool, sundeck,
1701 1st Avenue South		11 / 41	ሰብ ቀረቀ		672		фо о <b>г</b>		courtyard, athletic
83 Walk Score		1br/1ba	\$1,461	to	591	to	\$2.25	to	club, business center,
		01 / 01	\$2,124	L	945	L	\$2.47	ı	and media room.
		2br/2ba	\$2,085	to	1,006	to	\$2.07	to	
			\$2,645		1,187		\$2.23		

City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

Property (Date Opened) Address	Number of Units	Unit Type	Reported Base Rent		eported nit Size		Rent per Sq. Ft.	, 	Additional Information
		Hi	ighland Par	<i>k</i>					
The Sheraton	125		0	Apı	artments				100% occupancy
(1949)	Stu	ıdio/1ba	\$625	to	350	to	\$1.66	to	Controlled access,
2909 Highland Avenue South			\$745		450		\$1.79		and laundry facilities.
85 Walk Score		1br/1ba	\$750	to	400	to	\$1.22	to	5.5
			\$950		780		\$1.88		

#### For-Sale Multi-Family and Single-Family Attached New Construction and Resale Listings

City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

November, 2018

Property (Year Built) Address/Walk Score		Building Type	Unit Type	Asking Price	Unit Size	Asking Price Per Sq. Ft.
			. Downtown			
The Franklin (1900; 2018)		CO				
2329 1st Avenue North	Unit 102		1br/1ba	\$154,900	451	\$343
87 Walk Score	Unit 202		2br/2ba	\$337,900	1,316	\$257
	Unit 203		2br/2ba	\$387,900	1,674	\$232
	Unit 201		3br/2ba	\$399,900	1,699	\$235
	Unit 304		3br/2ba	\$439,900	1,634	\$269
Watts Tower (1925; 2007)		СО				
2008 3rd Avenue North	Unit 3D		1br/1ba	\$165,000	964	\$171
95 Walk Score	Unit 8D		1br/1ba	\$167,000	953	\$175
	Unit 7A		2br/1ba	\$174,900	1,074	\$163
	Unit 5A		2br/1ba	\$194,900	1,074	\$181
Gallery Lofts (1924)		CO				
2412 2nd Avenue North	Unit 11		1br/1ba	\$179,000	990	\$181
43 Walk Score	Unit 25		1br/2ba	\$309,900	1,425	\$217
	Unit 23		1br/2ba	\$329,900	1,680	\$196
Burger Philips (1937)		CO				
1910 3rd Avenue North	Unit 126		1br/1ba	\$192,000	792	\$242
87 Walk Score						
Morris House (1910)		CO				
2327 Morris Avenue Nor	Unit 2C		1br/1ba	\$210,000	935	\$225
86 Walk Score			,	4,		4
City Federal (1913)	11	CO	01 /01	<b>#2</b> 40,000	1 740	<b>#201</b>
2030 2nd Avenue North 89 Walk Score	Unit 2002		3br/2ba	\$349,900	1,740	\$201
69 Walk Scole						
Morris Place (1925)		CO				
2112 Morris Avenue	Unit 103		3br/2ba	\$458,000	2,118	\$216
85 Walk Score						
Liberty House (2019)		$\mathcal{C}\mathcal{O}$				
Liberty House (2018) 2301 1st Avenue North	Unit 105	CO	$2h_{\rm H}/2h_{\rm H}$	\$549,000	1 000	¢ <b>2</b> 00
87 Walk Score	<i>Unit</i> 105		<i>3</i> br/2ba	₽ <b>349,00</b> 0	1,893	\$290
or walk score						

#### For-Sale Multi-Family and Single-Family Attached New Construction and Resale Listings

City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

November, 2018

		Building	Unit			Asking Price
Property (Year Built)		Туре	Туре	Asking Price	Unit Size	Per Sq. Ft.
Address/Walk Score						
			ountain Heights	5		
New Ideal (1920; 2019)		CO	41 /41	<b>*1</b> 1 1 0 0 0	( <b>2-</b>	<b>*2</b> (1
1801 2nd Avenue North	Unit 201A		1br/1ba	\$144,900	425	\$341
76 Walk Score	Unit 306B		1br/1ba	\$249,900	770	\$325
	Unit 101B		2br/1ba	\$349,900	1,175	\$298
	Unit 304B		2br/2ba	\$439,900	1,570	\$280
			. Southside			
Lakeview Green (2019)		CO				
2901 4th Avenue South	Unit 4H		1br/1ba	\$209,999	562	\$374
68 Walk Score	Unit 4B		2br/2ba	\$334,999	1,098	\$305
	Unit 4J		2br/2ba	\$334,999	1,098	\$305
	Unit 4D		3br/3ba	\$509,999	1,685	\$303
		Fi	ve Points Soutl	h		
Kingsridge Highland (1974)		CO				
1801 2nd Avenue North	Unit 409		1br/1ba	\$115,000	625	\$184
76 Walk Score			,	1 - /		7 -
Carmel Condominium (1980	))	CO				
1913 16th Avenue South	Unit C		2br/2ba	\$139,900	1,248	\$112
77 Walk Score						
Bristol Southside (2007)		CO				
401 20th Street South	Unit 215		1br/1ba	\$165,000	628	\$263
76 Walk Score	Unit 209		2br/2ba	\$249,900	978	\$256
	Unit 420		3br/2ba	\$268,500	1,270	\$211
	Unit 418		3br/2ba	\$299,900	1,270	\$236
South Highlands (2018)		TH				
2120 15th At	nenue South	111	2br/2.5ba	\$339,900	1,764	\$193
80 Walk Score	Jenue Jouin		201/2.00a	φ337,700	1,704	φ175
of Wark Score						
South Highlands (2018)		CO				
2250 Highland Avenue S	Unit 42		3br/2ba	\$425,000	1,711	\$248
82 Walk Score						
Birmingham Parkside (2019)	)	CO				
201 18th Street South	Unit 2A		2br/2ba	\$453,882	1,794	\$253
81 Walk Score						

SOURCE: Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc.

#### For-Sale Multi-Family and Single-Family Attached New Construction and Resale Listings

City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

November, 2018

Property (Year Built) Address/Walk Score		Building Type	Unit Type	Asking Price	Unit Size	Asking Price Per Sq. Ft.
			Highland Park			
Rosa Lee Court (1930)		CO	0			
2809 13th Avenue South	Unit H1		1br/1ba	\$139,900	854	\$164
57 Walk Score						
Highland Park (1985)		TH				
1225 33rd Street South	Unit B		2br/2.5ba	\$239,000	1,178	\$203
53 Walk Score				. ,	,	·

# **Target Groups For New Multi-Family For-Rent** Households With Annual Incomes Above \$35,000 City Center Study Area

City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

Empty Nesters	Number of	
& Retirees*	Households	Percent
The One Percenters	6	0.3%
Old Money	2	0.1%
The Social Register	2	0.1%
Affluent Empty Nesters	6	0.3%
Urban Establishment	25	1.2%
Suburban Establishment	8	0.4%
Second City Establishment	5	0.2%
Multi-Ethnic Empty Nesters	7	0.3%
Mainstream Empty Nesters	55	2.7%
Cosmopolitan Couples	35	1.7%
Middle-American Retirees	66	3.2%
Blue-Collar Retirees	53	2.6%
Middle-Class Move-Downs		
Wildule-Class Wove-Dowlis	10	0.5%
Subtotal:	280	13.8%
Traditional &		
Non-Traditional Families†		
	2	0.10/
Corporate Establishment	2	0.1%
e-Type Families		0.1%
Nouveau Money	5	0.2%
Button-Down Families	6	0.3%
Fiber-Optic Families	3	0.1%
Unibox Transferees	13	0.6%
Late-Nest Suburbanites	18	0.9%
Full-Nest Suburbanites	10	0.5%
Kids 'r' Us	23	1.1%
Multi-Ethnic Families	14	0.7%
Multi-Cultural Families	2	0.1%
Uptown Families	46	2.3%
Subtotal:	144	7.1%
Younger		
Singles & Couples*		
New Power Couples	7	0.3%
New Bohemians	114	5.6%
	114	
Cosmopolitan Elite		0.5%
Fast-Track Professionals	402	19.8%
The VIPs	171	8.4%
Suburban Achievers	70	3.4%
Downtown Couples Suburban Strivers	38	1.9% 26.5%
	538	26.5%
Small-City Singles	258	12.7%
Subtotal:	1,608	79.1%
Total Households:	2,032	100.0%

\* Primarily one- and two-person households+ Primarily three- and four-person households.

SOURCE: Claritas, Inc.;

Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc.

#### Target Groups For New Multi-Family For-Sale Households With Annual Incomes Above \$50,000 *Center City Study Area*

City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

Empty Nesters & Retirees*	Number of Households	Share of Households
The One Percenters	110036110103	0.5%
Old Money	1	0.5%
The Social Register	1	0.5%
Affluent Empty Nesters	1	0.5%
Urban Establishment	5	2.6%
Suburban Establishment	3	1.6%
Second City Establishment	2	1.0%
Multi-Ethnic Empty Nesters	2	1.0%
Mainstream Empty Nesters	14	7.3%
Cosmopolitan Couples	5	2.6%
Middle-American Retirees	22	11.4%
Subtotal:	57	29.5%
Traditional &		
Non-Traditional Families†		
Corporate Establishment	1	0.5%
e-Type Families	1	0.5%
Nouveau Money Button-Down Families	2	$1.0\% \\ 0.5\%$
Unibox Transferees	4	2.1%
Late-Nest Suburbanites	4 6	3.1%
Full-Nest Suburbanites	3	1.6%
Kids 'r' Us	4	2.1%
Multi-Ethnic Families	2	1.0%
Multi-Cultural Families	1	0.5%
Uptown Families	9	4.7%
Subtotal:	34	17.6%
Younger		
Singles & Couples*	-	·
New Power Couples	3	1.6%
New Bohemians	16	8.3%
Cosmopolitan Elite	4	2.1%
Fast-Track Professionals	41	21.2%
The VIPs	38	19.7%
Subtotal:	102	52.8%
Total Households:	193	100.0%

\* Primarily one- and two-person households

+ Primarily three- and four-person households.

SOURCE: Claritas, Inc.;

Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc.

# Target Groups For New Single-Family Attached For-Sale Households With Annual Incomes Above \$50,000 Center City Study Area

City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

Empty Nesters & Retirees*	Number of Households	Share of Households
The One Percenters	<u></u>	2.1%
Old Money	4	0.5%
5	1	0.5%
The Social Register	2	1.0%
Affluent Empty Nesters Urban Establishment	4	2.1%
Suburban Establishment	4 6	3.1%
	2	1.0%
Second City Establishment Multi-Ethnic Empty Nesters	4	2.1%
	4 23	11.8%
Mainstream Empty Nesters		
Cosmopolitan Couples Middle-American Retirees	3	1.5%
Middle-American Retirees	24	12.3%
Subtotal:	74	37.9%
Traditional &		
Non-Traditional Families†		
Corporate Establishment	1	0.5%
e-Type Families	1	0.5%
Nouveau Money	3	1.5%
Button-Down Families	3	1.5%
Fiber-Optic Families	2	1.0%
Unibox Transferees	6	3.1%
Late-Nest Suburbanites	6	3.1%
Full-Nest Suburbanites	4	2.1%
Kids 'r' Us	8	4.1%
Multi-Ethnic Families	4	2.1%
Multi-Cultural Families	1	0.5%
Uptown Families	13	6.7%
optown runnies		0.770
Subtotal:	52	26.7%
Younger		
Singles & Couples*		
New Power Couples	3	1.5%
New Bohemians	7	3.6%
Cosmopolitan Elite	5	2.6%
Fast-Track Professionals	22	11.3%
The VIPs	32	16.4%
Subtotal:	69	35.4%
Total Households:	195	100.0%

\* Primarily one- and two-person households

+ Primarily three- and four-person households.

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#### **Optimum Market Position** City Center Study Area

City of Birmingham, Jefferson County, Alabama

December, 2018

Share of <u>Households</u> Number	Housing Type	Unit Configuration	Unit Mix	Base Rent/Price Range	Unit Size Range	Base Rent/Price Per Sq. Ft.	Annualized Average Absorption
84.0%	Multi-Family	/ For-Rent					323 to 372
712	Lofts	Microloft/1ba 1br/1ba 2br/1ba	50% 35% 15%	\$900 \$1,350 \$1,550	350 600 850	\$2.57 \$2.25 \$1.82	125 to 142
	Weighted Average:		\$1,155	513	\$2.25		
1,320	Apartments	Studio/1ba 1br/1ba 1br/1ba/office 2br/2ba 3br/2ba Weighted Avera	40% 30% 10% 15% 5%	\$1,000 \$1,400 \$1,900 \$2,200 \$2,650 \$1,473	450 650 900 1,100 1,350 698	\$2.22 \$2.15 \$2.11 \$2.00 \$1.96 \$2.11	198 to 230
0.001		C .	ge.	<b>Φ1,47</b> 3	090	φ2.11	201 21
8.0%	Multi-Family	/ For-Sale					20 to 24
193	Condominiums	1br/1ba 2br/1.5ba 2br/2ba 2br/2.5ba 2br/2.5ba/study	30% 15% 20% 20% 15%	\$195,000 \$285,000 \$295,000 \$395,000 \$450,000	600 900 1,000 1,500 1,850	\$325 \$317 \$295 \$263 \$243	20 to 24
		Weighted Avera	ge:	\$306,750	1,093	\$281	
8.0%	Single-Family Attached For-Sale					20 to 24	
195	Townhouses	2br/2.5ba 2br/2.5ba/den 3br/2.5ba 3br/3.5ba/study Weighted Avera	35% 35% 15% 15% ge:	\$325,000 \$375,000 \$450,000 \$500,000 \$387,500	1,200 1,450 1,800 2,000 1,498	\$271 \$259 \$250 \$250 \$259	20 to 24
100.0%							

#### Target Households 2,420

363 to 420

per year

NOTE: Base rents/prices are in year 2018 dollars, do not include premiums, options or upgrades. Property location will have a significant impact on values.

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#### Assumptions and Limitations—

Every effort has been made to insure the accuracy of the data contained within this analysis. Demographic and economic estimates and projections have been obtained from government agencies at the national, state, and county levels. Market information has been obtained from sources presumed to be reliable, including developers, owners, and/or sales agents. However, this information cannot be warranted by Zimmerman/Volk Associates, Inc. While the proprietary residential target market methodology<sup>TM</sup> employed in this analysis allows for a margin of error in base data, it is assumed that the market data and government estimates and projections are substantially accurate.

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Recommendations are subject to compliance with all applicable regulations. Relevant accounting, tax, and legal matters should be substantiated by appropriate counsel.



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