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# NORTHERN MANHATTAN \& THE BRONX BUILDING SALES REPORT 

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## NORTHERN MANHATTAN

## Transaction Volume and Turnover

During the first half of 2009 ( 1 H 09 ), the Northern Manhattan building sales market (north of 96 th St. east of Central Park and north of 110th St. west of Central Park.) saw 35 closed transactions consisting of 39 properties. The number of transactions was down $51.3 \%$ from 1 H 08 , and $71.7 \%$ from the 1 H 07 , the most active half year. Likewise, volume is running at $1.1 \%$ of the total stock on an annualized basis. To put this number in perspective, the lowest turnover we have seen in the last 25 years was $1.6 \%$ in 1992 and 2003, both of which were years at the end of recessionary periods and cyclical highs in unemployment. Activity did pick up in the second quarter of 2009 with $36.6 \%$ more sales than in the first.

## Dollar Volume

The aggregate sales consideration in 1 H 09 was $\$ 115,689,387$. This figure was down $72.3 \%$ from 1 H 08 and down $85.8 \%$ from the peak half year of 1 H 06 . While these volume figures reflect activity across all property types, below we examine pricing trends based on product type.

## Walk-Up Apartment Buildings

The average capitalization rate for walk-up apartment buildings was $6.80 \%$ in 1 H 09 , showing an upward shift of 40 basis points from 2 H 08 and 140 basis points from its low of $5.40 \%$ in 2 H 07 . The average gross income multiple (GIM) dropped to 8.4 in 1 H 09 from 9.8 in 2 H 08 and its peak 12.2 in 2 H 07 . Correspondingly, the median price per square foot $(\$ / \mathrm{SF})$ was $\$ 124$, down $41.2 \%$ from 1H08.

## Elevatored Apartment Buildings

Elevatored apartment building cap rates in 1 H 09 averaged $3.84 \%$, up 74 basis points from 2 H 08 which was also the low point in the market. The average GIM dropped to 10.9 in 1 H 09 from 15.9 in 2 H 08 which was also the peak in this sector. Moreover, the median $\$ / \mathrm{SF}$ was $\$ 105$, down $29.5 \%$ from 1 H 08 and $43.9 \%$ from its 2 H 07 peak. It should be noted, however, that there was a lack of a sufficient sample size for elevatored apartment buildings in 1H09.

## THE BRONX

## Transaction Volume and Turnover

During the first half of 2009 ( 1 H 09 ), the Bronx building sales market had 87 closed transactions consisting of 107 properties. The number of transactions was down $52.0 \%$ from 1 H 08 , and $67.6 \%$ from the 1 H 07 , the most active half year. Volume is running at $1.0 \%$ of the total stock on an annualized basis. To put this number in perspective, the lowest turnover we have seen in the last 25 years was $1.6 \%$ in 1992 and 2003, both of which were years at the end of recessionary periods and cyclical highs in unemployment. Activity did pick up in the second quarter of 2009 with $77.2 \%$ more sales than in the first.

## Dollar Volume

The aggregate sales consideration in 1 H 09 was $\$ 200,152,887$. This figure was down $56.9 \%$ from 1 H 08 and down $85.9 \%$ from the peak half year of 1 H 07 . While the volume figures reflect activity across all property types, below we examine pricing trends based on product type.

## Walk-Up Apartment Buildings

The average capitalization rate for walk-up apartment buildings was $7.97 \%$ in 1 H 09 , showing an upward shift of 47 basis points from 2 H 08 and 57 basis points from its low of $7.40 \%$ in 1 H 08 . The average gross income multiple (GIM) dropped to 6.5 in 1 H 09 from 6.9 in 2 H 08 and its peak 8.0 in 2 H 06 . Correspondingly, the median price per square foot ( $\$ / \mathrm{SF}$ ) was $\$ 76$, down $42.4 \%$ from 2 H 08 and $44.9 \%$ from its 2H06 peak.

## Elevatored Apartment Buildings

Elevatored apartment building cap rates in 1H09 averaged $6.20 \%$ and were surprisingly down 80 basis points from 2 H 08 , but up 70 basis points from its low of $5.50 \%$ in 2 H 05 . The average GIM dropped to 7.1 in 1 H 09 from 8.50 in 2 H 08 and its peak 9.8 in 2 H 05 . Moreover, the median $\$ / \mathrm{SF}$ was $\$ 67$, down $30.2 \%$ from its 2 H 08 peak.

## Other Property Types

In other property types, the median price per square foot for industrial buildings was $\$ 107$ in 1 H 09 while office buildings averaged just $\$ 88$ per square foot. It should be noted, however, that there was only one office building sold, making this statistically insignificant.

In general, the Northern Manhattan and the Bronx building sales markets have seen a reduction in activity and value. The trend has certainly been toward smaller transactions, for which there is plentiful debt available from community and regional banks. We have also seen a resurgence of high net worth individuals and old-line families who had been overpowered by operators backed by institutional capital for the past several years. We have also seen a noticeable impact on the market by high net worth, private individuals from overseas. We have not seen foreign investors in these numbers since the mid-1980s. We anticipate the volume of sales increasing slightly as we move past the paralysis in the market which we witnessed after the failure of Lehman Brothers on September 15, 2008 and the dismantling of Wall Street as we knew it. This paralysis caused 1Q09 volume to fall off the table. Even with the significant increase in volume, we expect prices to continue to drop as fundamental deterioration continues based upon continuing increases in unemployment.

DOLLAR VOLUME


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# NORTHERN MANHATTAN \& THE BRONX BUILDING SALES DATA 

CAP RATE $\qquad$
I $^{\text {ST HALF }} 2009$


TRANSACTION VOLUME BY PROPERTY TYPE
${ }^{\text {ST }}$ HALF 2009


ANNUALIZED TURNOVER RATE BY PROPERTY TYPE


GROSS RENT MULTIPLE


FIRST HALF BUILDING SALES VOLUME \& ANNUALIZED TURNOVER RATE

2005-2009


## MEDIAN PRICE PER SQUARE FOOT

 BY PROPERTYTYPEIST HALF 2009




1245 \& 1255 STRATFORD AVENUE

## THE BRONX

PRICE: DATE:

06-10-09
GROSS SF: 66000 GROSS SF: PRICE / SF: UNITS: 140 PR.IUNIT: $\$ 63,214$


659 WEST $162^{\text {ND }}$ STREET
N. MANHATTAN

## PRICE: $\quad \$ 6,218,000$

 DATE: $\quad$ 05-13-09 $\begin{array}{ll}\text { GROSS SF: } & 59,274 \\ \text { PRICE / SF: } & \$ 105\end{array}$ PRICE/SF: $\$ 105$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { CAP RATE: } & 4.13 \%\end{array}$ GRM: PR.I UNIT: $\$ 117,321$



## 5+ FAMILY WALK-UP


161 WEST $133^{\text {RD }}$ STREET N. MANHATTAN

| PRICE: | $\$ 1,700,000$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| DATE: | $05-11-09$ |
| GROSS SF: | 9,430 |
| PRICE / SF: | $\$ 180$ |
| UNITS: | 17 |
| CAP RATE: | $8.13 \%$ |
| GRM: | 8.3 |
| PR.I UNIT: | $\$ 100,000$ |





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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 61-73 ELL } \\ & \text { STREET } \end{aligned}$ | WOOD |
| N. MANHAT |  |
| PRICE: | \$5000,000 |
| ${ }_{\text {DATE }}^{\text {GROSS SF: }}$ | - ${ }_{\text {che-30-09 }}$ |
| PRICEISF: |  |
| UNITS: | 72.97\% |
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571 WEST $215^{\text {TH }}$
STREET

| N. MANHATTAN |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| PRICE: | $\$ 2,480,000$ |
| DATE: | $06-01-09$ |
| GROSS SF: | 20,535 |
| PRICE / SF: | $\$ 121$ |
| UNITS: | 26 |
| CAP RATE: | $6.40 \%$ |
| GRM: | 7.75 |
| PR. I UNIT: | $\$ 95,385$ |



462 EAST $137^{\text {TH }}$ STREET

| THE BRONX |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| PRICE: | $\$ 1,225,000$ |
| DATE: | $04-02-09$ |
| GROSS SF: | 21,875 |
| PRICE / SF: | $\$ 56$ |
| UNITS: | 20 |
| PR. I UNIT: | $\$ 61,250$ |



2000 PROSPECT AVENUE (761-765 EAST $178{ }^{\text {TH }}$ STREET)

THE BRONX
PRICE: \$4,050,000
DATE: 05-13-09
50,050
PRICE / SF:
UNITS:
PR. I UNIT: $\quad \$ 62,308$


743-745 EAST $178{ }^{\text {TH }}$
STREET
THE BRONX
PRICE: \$3,500,000
DATE: 04-22-09
GROSS SF: $\quad 26,200$ PRICE / SF: PRICE / SF: UNITS: PR. I UNIT: $\quad \$ 94,595$

l 528 \& I 536 WHITE PLAINS ROAD

| THE BRONX |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| PRICE: | $\$ 2,483,000$ |
| DATE: | $05-19-09$ |
| GROSS SF: | 26,400 |
| PRICE / SF: | $\$ 94$ |
| UNITS: | 34 |
| PR. I UNIT: | $\$ 73,029$ |


340 EAST $139^{\text {TH }}$ STREET (VACANT)

## THE BRONX

PRICE: \$775,000
DATE: 05-05-09
GROSS SF: 9,375
PRICE / SF: $\$ 83$
UNITS: 10
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { UNITS: } & 10 \\ \text { CAP RATE: } & 770 \%\end{array}$
CAP RATE: $\quad 7.70 \%$
PR.I UNIT: $\$ 77,500$


730 PROSPECT AVENUE
THE BRONX
PRICE: \$1,250,000 DATE: 04-28-09 GROSS SF: 18,095 PRICE / SF: $\$ 69$ UNITS:
PR.I UNIT: $\quad \$ 59,524$


I350 DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING BOULEVARD

THE BRONX
PRICE: $\quad \$ 13,150,000$ DATE: 05-13-09 GROSS SF: $\quad 212,726$ PRICE / SF: $\$ 618$
UNITS: 260 PR. I UNIT: $\$ 50,577$


2474 DAVIDSON

## AVENUE

THE BRONX
PRICE: \$1,945,000
DATE: 04-29-09
ROSS SF: $\quad 29,000$
PRICE I SF: \$67
UNITS: 33
PR. I UNIT: \$58,939


2450 HUGHES AVENUE

## THE BRONX

PRICE: \$950,000
DATE: 05-13-09
GROSS SF: $\quad 6,260$
PRICE / SF: \$152
UNITS: 9
PR.I UNIT: \$105,556


2526 VALENTINE AVENUE
THE BRONX
PRICE: \$2,490,000
DATE: 05-01-09
GROSS SF: 35,260
PRICE / SF: \$71
UNITS: 43
PR.I UNIT: \$57,907


2552 UNIVERSITY

## AVENUE

THE BRONX
PRICE: $\quad \$ 4,000,000$
DATE: $\quad 06-02-09$ GROSS SF: $\quad 46,875$
PRICE / SF: \$85
UNITS: 55
PR. I UNIT: \$72,727

1662 WHITE PLAINS ROAD

THE BRONX
PRICE: $\quad \$ 1,310,000$
DATE: 04-27-09
GROSS SF: $\quad 16,600$
PRICE / SF: $\quad \$ 79$
PRICE / SF:
UNITS:
PR.I UNIT: \$77,059





## THE MASSEY KNAKAL TERRITORY SYSTEM

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## METHODOLOCY

The Cap Rates, Gross Income Multipliers, Median Price per Square Foot and Total Volume presented in this report pertain to closed sales researched by or sold by Massey Knakal Realty Services during the period $1 / 1 / 09-6 / 30 / 09$. These transactions occurred at a minimum sales price of $\$ 500,000$ and were located in the Bronx and in Manhattan north of 96th Street east of Central Park and north of 110th Street west of Central Park. These sales may be found in the public record and were reported by ACRIS and other sources deemed reliable. This information has been compiled for informational purposes only and Massey Knakal Realty Services shall not be liable for any reliance thereon.
We use the following City of New York classifications:

- Industrial buildings: E, F and G classes
- 5+ Family Walk-Up buildings: C1, C2, C4, C5, C7, C8 and C9 (excluding C6 which represent Co-Ops).
- 5+ Family Elevatored buildings: D1, D2, D3, D5, D6, D8 and D9 (excluding D0, D4 which represent Co-Ops).
- Mixed-Use buildings: K and S classes.
- Retail buildings: L1, L8, L9, O, R5, R7 and R8.
- Office buildings and commercial condos: O, R5, R7 and R8.
- Development: VO, V1, V2 and other buildings that were purchased for development.
- Specialty Use: Buildings that, because of their intended uses (such as religious, medical, government, educational, non-profit uses), do not fall into any of the above building classes.
Each sale was analyzed and categorized on a case by case basis.
Cap Rate: net operating income divided by the sales price.
Gross Rent Multiplier: sales price divided by the gross income.
Median Price Per Square Foot: sales price divided by gross building area above grade, as reported in the public record.
Average Price Per Square Foot: sales price divided by the building's gross square feet.
Average Price Per Buildable Square Foot: sales price divided by the building's maximum buildable square feet as allowed by the zoning of New York City.
Turnover Rate: number of sales divided by total inventory.
When expenses were not available for calculating the cap rate and gross rent multiplier for multi-family buildings, we used the following guidelines:

|  | 6-20 Units | 21-50 Units | 51+ Units |
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| Real Estate Tax: | Actual | Actual | Actual |
| Vacancy \& Credit Loss: | $1.5 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ |
| Water \& Sewer: | $\$ .50 /$ sf | $\$ .50 / \mathrm{sf}$ | $\$ .50 / \mathrm{sf}$ |
| Insurance: | $\$ 500 /$ unit | $\$ 400 /$ unit | $\$ 375 /$ unit |
| Fuel: | $\$ 1.60 / \mathrm{sf}$ | $\$ 1.60 / \mathrm{sf}$ | $\$ 1.60 / \mathrm{sf}$ |
| Electric: | $\$ .25 / \mathrm{sf}$ | $\$ .25 / \mathrm{sf}$ | $\$ .25 / \mathrm{sf}$ |
| Payroll: | $\$ 4,800 /$ year | $\$ 20,000 /$ year | $\$ 20,000 /$ year |
| Cleaning \& Maintenance: | $\$ 300 /$ month | $\$ 400-\$ 600 / \mathrm{month}$ | $\$ 1,000 / \mathrm{month}$ |
| Elevator Maintenance: | $\$ 4,000$ elev $/ \mathrm{yr}$ | $\$ 5,000 \mathrm{elev} / \mathrm{yr}$ | $\$ 5,000 \mathrm{elev} / \mathrm{yr}$ |
| Repairs: | $\$ 550$ unit $/ \mathrm{yr}$ | $\$ 550 \mathrm{unit} / \mathrm{yr}$ | $\$ 550 \mathrm{unit} / \mathrm{yr}$ |
| Management: | $5 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $3 \%$ |



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