

THE QUASAR GUIDE TO COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE INVESTING



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WHAT YOU'LL DISCOVER



Answer: Investors Good news?
You don't have to be a
millionaire to get started

BY THE END, YOU'LL SEE THAT COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE ISN'T SOME MYSTERIOUS WORLD FOR 'INSIDERS ONLY'



THE ROADMAP

The Three WHYs The Foundations of CRE **Location Intelligence** Thinking and Planning Strategically Financial Engineering The Anatomy of Development Red Flags and Deal Breaker **Negotiation Playbook Next Steps**



The Three WHYs

WHY Commercial Real Estate?







Long-term Stability

Steady cash flow

Strong hedge against inflation

WHY Work with a Consultant?



Saves time & cost



Reduces risk



Enhances in-house capabilities.

WHY Does the Consultation Process Work?



Aligns project goals with processes



Due diligence at every stage



Delivers measurable results

AN ADVISORY APPROACH TO INVESTMENT PLANNING ENSURES
YOUR CRE DECISIONS ALIGN WITH LONG-TERM GROWTH,
STABILITY, AND CAPITAL PRESERVATION.

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FRAMEWORK-2

The Foundations of CRE





In-depth research and clear insights empower investors and developers with data-driven knowledge.





The result is long-term value creation based on strategic forecasting that reduces risk and maximizes opportunity.

ROBUST RESEARCH AND ACTIONABLE INSIGHTS ARE THE KEY TO BETTER PREPARE FOR UNCERTAINTY IN EVERY MARKET CYCLE



Location Intelligence

Focus on ground market realities



How stable is local demand?
What local regulations exist?
What are the demographic and economic trends?
What is the location's risk profile?
Can the market support a new project?
What are the supply and competition risks?

- 1. Assess a project's viability before investing capital (preacquisition feasibility)
- 2. Evaluate the market for a property type in a specific area
- 3. Determine highest and best site uses for improved feasibility
- 4. Answer questions about potential tenants/buyers, absorption rates of similar properties, and pricing trends.

LOCATION INTELLIGENCE IS CRUCIAL FOR MARKET ANALYSIS, HIGHEST AND BEST USE, AND PRE-DEVELOPMENT FEASIBILITY.

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FRAMEWORK-4

Thinking & Planning Strategically

Your investment = The clearest path to maximizing your returns and achieving your goals



1031 Exchange Considerations:

- Reposition capital into stronger markets, asset classes, or new properties
- Like-kind property
- Timeline
- · Pricing/Valuation

Hold & Exit Strategy Considerations:

- · Leverage market timing, buyer demand, and value from improvements
- · Hold period/Investment horizon
- Cash flow
- Maximize ROI on exit

Developing a Comprehensive Asset Business Plan for Value-Add:

- · Short-range, mid-range, and long-range planning
- · Uses & income through the entire lifecycle of the asset
- Capital improvement analysis (diagnosing and treating underperformance)

MANAGE RISK AND STRUCTURE YOUR PORTFOLIO WITH 1031
EXCHANGES, VALUE-ADD BUSINESS PLANS, AND INFORMED HOLD
& EXIT STRATEGIES, DRAWING ON IN-DEPTH MARKET RESEARCH
AND STRATEGIC INSIGHTS.



FINANCIAL ENGINEERING

SMART STEPS = BIG RETURNS IN CRE





EVALUATE RISK, RETURN, & MARKET FORCES TO ASSESS DEAL VIABILITY:

MICRO AND MACRO MARKET FUNDAMENTALS \rightarrow FISCAL & MONETARY POLICY

FUNDING COMPONENTS \rightarrow COST OF CAPITAL, CAPITAL STACKING, EQUITY (GP VS. JV)

LENDING → DETERMINE LENDING SOURCES & ASSESS LENDER APPETITE

INVESTOR RETURNS → UNLEVERED/LEVERED IRR, SENSITIVITIES

NEGOTIATION → **DEFINE CONTROL** & **PARTNER AGREEMENTS**

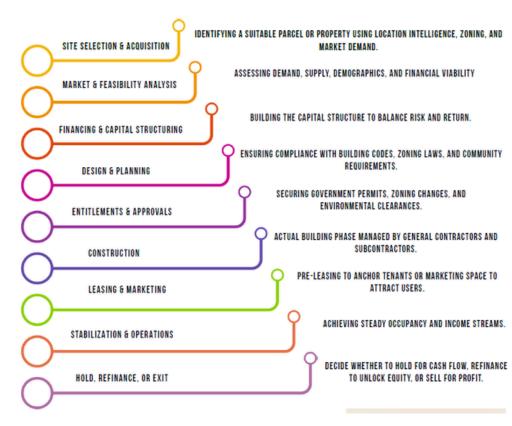
STRESS-TEST → POSITIVE CASH FLOW, CASE SCENARIO MODELING

USE ASSET-LEVEL METRICS (NOI, RATE CAPS/BUYDOWN, COST CONTROLS, TIMING OF REFINANCES/EXITS) TO TAILOR THE CAPITAL STACK AND RELIABLY MEET YOUR RETURN PROFILE



The Anatomy of Development

HOW DO YOU ENSURE A SUCCESSFUL DEVELOPMENT AT EVERY STAGE?



NAVIGATING LAND USE, ZONING, AND ENTITLEMENT IS THE KEY TO TRANSFORMING UNDERPERFORMING ASSETS INTO MODERN, INCOME-GENERATING PROPERTIES THAT MAXIMIZE LONG-TERM VALUE AND MEET MARKET DEMANDS.



Red Flags and Deal Breakers



ARE THERE UNSEEN RISKS THAT COULD DERAIL THE INVESTMENT?

CAN THE INCOME AND PROPERTY VALUE WITHSTAND MARKET SHIFTS?

ARE THE LEASES, PERMITS, AND OWNERSHIP STRUCTURES LEGALLY SOUND?

WHAT SAFEGUARDS MUST BE IN PLACE BEFORE CLOSING THE DEAL?

DUE DILIGENCE CHECK

✓ FULL INSURANCE COVERAGE		
✓NO HIDDEN STRUCTURAL DAMAGE		✓ TAX CONSIDERATIONS
✓ EFFICIENCY IN PROJECT TIMELINES		✓NO INFLATED VALUATIONS
✓ CLEAR TITLE	✓CEQA APPROVALS	ZONING CLEARANCES

HOW WE MITIGATE RISK: PARTNERSHIPS WITH LEGAL COUNSEL, TAX
ADVISORS, AND ENVIROMENTAL EXPERTS; DUE DILIGENCE ON ZONING,
LAND USE, AND TITLE; EVALUATION OF MULTIPLE COVERAGE OPTIONS;
PROJECT MANAGEMENT CONSULTING TO MINIMIZE TIME AND COST; SITE
ASSESSMENTS AND ROBUST PRICE MODELING



The Negotiation Playbook

THE ART OF WINNING THE DEAL



What key information is needed to strengthen negotiation outcomes, maximize value, and reduce risk?

PROJECT-SPECIFIC DATA

THIRD PARTY, NEUTRAL ANALYSIS OF CURRENT

TRENDS

DIFFERENCE IN
BARGAINING POWER

COMPREHENSIVE MARKET

FUNDAMENTALS

FAVORABLE LEVERAGE

POINTS

PLAYER INCENTIVES AND MOTIVATIONS

A HOLISTIC APPROACH AND FULL GRASP OF ALL THE MOVING PARTS LET YOU PLAY TO THE PROJECT'S STRENGTHS AND PLAN FOR CHALLENGES.



Next Steps

Everything we've shared is backed by real results — scan the QR code below or visit our website to see our strategies in action





How Quasar Can Partner With You

Success is never achieved in isolation — the right partner accelerates growth with confidence.

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