











# RENTAL APARTMENT DEMAND BLUE LINE

- Apartment demand will remain strong in the coming decade and beyond
- Transit-oriented areas, urban cores—those with higher-walkability--command premiums
- Blue Line captures:
  - 2000 2020: 13.6% of Charlotte Sphere
  - 2021 2045: 15.9%
- Demand strongest around station areas in the Central District vs. those in the South
  - Particularly in South End Stations
  - Walkability, convenience, rents supporting greater redevelopment
  - Central District stations have accounted for 94% of rental apartment units developed to date
- South Station areas will more attractive for redevelopment
  - Models will be different, however.



## RENTAL APARTMENT DEMAND BLUE LINE EXTENSION

- BLE capture responding very well to LRT service
  - Increasing from 3% 4% from 2000 2015 to 15% in the current five-year cycle
- NCG forecast keeps this consistent at around15% going forward
- Development dynamics are somewhat similar to the South, yet also quite different
  - Central stations: close to 2,000 units from '16 '20
  - Northeast stations: more than 1,500 units
    - The presence of the university and I-85 adjacency have allowed for more suburban growth
- Going forward, demand and development will be generally split, with Northeast stations accounting for 60% of demand
- Product offerings/densities, will vary significantly given vast differences in the areas, though.



## **KEY CHALLENGES FOR BLUE LINE/BLE** APARTMENT DEVELOPMENT

- New midrise development w/ structured parking:
  - \$2.00/SF or so to become feasible

Product

Garden-L

- Today need around \$1.70 -\$1.80
- · Garden-Urban, which his surface parked:
  - \$1.60 or so
- Elevator-served garden:
  - More in the \$1.40 range for feasibility
- Conventional garden:
  - \$1.35+/-

Product Type	Example	Description	Typical Units/Acre	PSF Rent Needed	Average Value Per Unit	Typical Dev. Cost Per Unit	Typical Land Value Per Unit	Typical Land Value Per Acre
High Rise		>12 Stories, but realistically any Type I (Concrete or Steel Structure)	>150	\$2.50+	\$360,000	\$290,000	\$36,000	\$5M+
Podium		6-12 Stories, but most are 6-7 to remain wood frame above 1-2 floors of parking podium	100-150	\$2.20+	\$310,000	\$250,000	\$31,000	\$3-4M
Wrap		4-5 Stories, around or adjacent to structured parking	60-100	\$2.00+	\$285,000	\$225,000	\$28,500	\$2-3M
Garden-Urban		3-4 Stories, surface parked, typicaly with elevators	40-60	\$1.60+	\$200,000	\$165,000	\$20,000	\$1M
Garden With Elevators		3-4 Stories, surface parked	30-40	\$1.40+	\$180,000	\$150,000	\$18,000	\$600k
Garden Without Elevators		2-3 Stories, surface parked	10-30	\$1.35+	\$155,000	\$140,000	\$15,500	\$300k

## PRODUCT FEASIBILITY BECOMES THE CHALLENGE TO DEVELOPMENT

- South End and New Bern—
  - MR & HR construction (MR only in New Bern)
- Scaleybark, Woodlawn & Tyvola
  - Likely garden-urban, but midrise possible in larger mixed-use deals
  - Redevelopment of is borderline and can support garden-urban product and, as part of a mxd-use project, perhaps midrise
- Rest of corridor is likely conventional or elevatorgarden
  - Potential rents, walkability, convenience all diminished from closer in
  - Doesn't support ground-floor retail
- Critical factor remains creating value via parks, open space, trails, sidewalks, etc.



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- Center City to NoDa
  - Rents/dynamics support midrise and urban garden product
  - Retail can be on first floor of some
- Sugar Creek to Tom Hunter
  - Really tough dynamics that only support conventional, maybe elevator garden product
- University City
  - Varies: Stand-alone deals likely gardenelevator or maybe garden-urban
  - A redeveloped University Place deal may get into midrise territory
- Again, how to create value to boost rents becomes a big challenge.



#### **OFFICE DEMAND**

- As noted, overall office demand is expected to be more moderate in the coming decades
  - Moderating economy
  - Reduced employees/SF will temper absorption
    - · Coworking formats being more broadly applied
- · As noted, office locations are shifting significantly
  - · Old model following bosses/executive housing moderating
  - New model following young talent (Millennials) on the rise
  - 50% to 60% or more value mixed-use, car-optional locations





# INFILL OFFICE DEVELOPMENT ALONG THE BLUE LINE/BLE

- Much of the Blue Line and BLE lack both executive housing adjacency and freeway frontage
  - Blue Line capture, 2000s: 2% 3%
    - 2011 2020: 11% 13%
    - 2021 2045: 10%+/-
  - BLE capture, 2000s: 0.4% 1.2%
    - 2011 2020: 1.9%
    - 2021 2045: 7% +/-
- Midrise to High-Rise Office (5 10 stories, deck parked)
  - South End
  - Perhaps Woodlawn & Tyvola long-term in MXD
  - Perhaps NoDa longer-term, maybe North Davidson
  - Perhaps University Place in MXD
- Low-Rise Office (1 5 Stories, surface parked)
  - North Davidson
  - Outer Blue Line Stations
  - Outer BLE Stations



