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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

(Mark One)

## ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017

# TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from to

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#### FRANKLIN STREET PROPERTIES CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 04-3578653 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

401 Edgewater Place, Suite 200, Wakefield, Massachusetts01880(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (781) 557-1300

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class: Common Stock, \$.0001 par value per share Name of each exchange on which registered: NYSE American

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes No .

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes No .

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No .

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Website, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No .

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§ 229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer		Accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer	(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company
		Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to ue the extended tranition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes No .

The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates based on the closing sale price as reported on NYSE American, as of the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter, June 30, 2017, was approximately \$1,141,886,293.

There were 107,231,155 shares of common stock of the registrant outstanding as of February 8, 2018.

Documents incorporated by reference: The registrant intends to file a definitive proxy statement pursuant to Regulation 14A, promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, to be used in connection with the registrant's Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on May 10, 2018 (the "Proxy Statement"). The information required in response to Items 10 — 14 of Part III of this Form 10-K, other than that contained in Part I under the caption, "Directors and Executive Officers of FSP Corp.," is hereby incorporated by reference to the Proxy Statement.

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PART I

Item 1.Business

History

Our company, Franklin Street Properties Corp., which we refer to as FSP Corp., the Company, we or our, is a Maryland corporation that operates in a manner intended to qualify as a real estate investment trust, or REIT, for federal income tax purposes. Our common stock is traded on the NYSE American under the symbol "FSP". FSP Corp. is the successor to Franklin Street Partners Limited Partnership, or the FSP Partnership, which was originally formed as a Massachusetts general partnership in January 1997 as the successor to a Massachusetts general partnership that was formed in 1981. On January 1, 2002, the FSP Partnership converted into FSP Corp., which we refer to as the conversion. As a result of this conversion, the FSP Partnership ceased to exist and we succeeded to the business of the FSP Partnership. In the conversion, each unit of both general and limited partnership interests in the FSP Partnership was converted into one share of our common stock. As a result of the conversion, we hold, directly and indirectly, 100% of the interest in three former subsidiaries of the FSP Partnership: FSP Investments LLC, FSP Property Management LLC, and FSP Holdings LLC. We operate some of our business through these subsidiaries.

Our Business

We are a REIT focused on commercial real estate investments primarily in office markets and currently operate in only one segment: real estate operations. The principal revenue sources for our real estate operations include rental income from real estate leasing, interest income from secured loans made on office properties, property dispositions and fee income from asset/property management and development.

Our current strategy is to invest in select urban infill and central business district properties, with primary emphasis on our five core markets of Atlanta, Dallas, Denver, Houston and Minneapolis. We believe that our five core markets have macro-economic drivers that have the potential to increase occupancies and rents. We will also monitor other markets for opportunistic investments. We seek value-oriented investments with an eye towards long-term growth and appreciation, as well as current income.

Previously we also operated in an investment banking segment, which was discontinued in December 2011. Our investment banking segment generated brokerage commissions, loan origination fees, development services and other fees related to the organization of single-purpose entities that own real estate and the private placement of equity in those entities. We refer to these entities, which are organized as corporations and operated in a manner intended to

qualify as REITs, as Sponsored REITs. On December 15, 2011, we announced that our broker/dealer subsidiary, FSP Investments LLC, would no longer sponsor the syndication of shares of preferred stock in newly-formed Sponsored REITs. On July 15, 2014, FSP Investments LLC withdrew its registration as a broker/dealer with FINRA.

From time-to-time we may acquire real estate or invest in real estate by making secured loans on real estate. We may also pursue on a selective basis the sale of our properties to take advantage of the value creation and demand for our properties, or for geographic or property specific reasons.

Real Estate

We own and operate a portfolio of real estate consisting of 34 office properties as of December 31, 2017. We derive rental revenue from income paid to us by tenants of these properties. We also have one property that is being redeveloped and currently is classified as non-operating. See Item 2 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K for more information about our properties. From time-to-time we dispose of properties generating gains or losses in an ongoing effort to improve and upgrade our portfolio. We also held preferred stock investments in two Sponsored REITs as of December 31, 2017, from which we record our share of income or loss under the equity method of accounting, and from which we receive dividends.

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We provide asset management, property management, property accounting, investor and/or development services to our portfolio and certain of our Sponsored REITs through our subsidiaries FSP Investments LLC and FSP Property Management LLC. FSP Corp. recognizes revenue from its receipt of fee income from Sponsored REITs that have not been consolidated or acquired by us. Neither FSP Investments LLC nor FSP Property Management LLC receives any rental income.

From time-to-time we may make secured loans to Sponsored REITs in the form of mortgage loans or revolving lines of credit to fund construction costs, capital expenditures, leasing costs and for other purposes. We anticipate that these loans will be repaid at their maturity or earlier from long-term financings of the underlying properties, cash flows from the underlying properties or some other capital event. We refer to these loans as Sponsored REIT Loans. We had four Sponsored REIT Loans secured by real estate outstanding as of December 31, 2017, from which we derive interest income.

#### **Investment Objectives**

Our investment objectives are to create shareholder value by increasing revenue from rental, dividend, interest and fee income and net gains from sales of properties and increase the cash available for distribution in the form of dividends to our stockholders. We expect that we will continue to derive real estate revenue from owned properties and Sponsored REIT Loans and fees from asset management, property management and investor services. We may also acquire additional real properties.

We may acquire, and have acquired, real properties in any geographic area of the United States and of any property type. We own 34 properties that are located in 10 different states as of December 31, 2017. We also have one property that is being redeveloped and currently is classified as non-operating. See Item 2 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K for more information about our properties.

From time to time, as market conditions warrant, we may sell properties owned by us. We sold an office property located in Milpitas, California on January 6, 2017 at a \$2.3 million gain and an office property located in Baltimore, Maryland on October 20, 2017 at a \$20.8 million loss. We sold an office property located in Maryland Heights, Missouri on April 5, 2016 at a \$4.2 million gain and an office property located in Federal Way, Washington on December 16, 2016 at a \$7.1 million loss. We sold an office property located in Plano, Texas on February 23, 2015 at a \$1.5 million gain, an office property located in Eden Prairie, Minnesota on March 31, 2015 at a \$9.0 million gain, an office property located in Charlotte, North Carolina on May 13, 2015 at a \$0.9 million gain and an office property located in San Jose, California on December 9, 2015 at a \$12.3 million gain. When we sell a property, we either distribute some or all of the sale proceeds to our stockholders as a distribution or retain some or all of such proceeds for investment in real properties or other corporate activities.

We rely on the following principles in selecting real properties for acquisition by FSP Corp. and managing them after acquisition:

- we seek to buy or develop investment properties at a price which produces value for investors and avoid overpaying for real estate merely to outbid competitors;
- we seek to buy or develop properties in excellent locations with substantial infrastructure in place around them and avoid investing in locations where the future construction of such infrastructure is speculative;
- we seek to buy or develop properties that are well-constructed and designed to appeal to a broad base of users and avoid properties where quality has been sacrificed for cost savings in construction or which appeal only to a narrow group of users;
- we aggressively manage, maintain and upgrade our properties and refuse to neglect or undercapitalize management, maintenance and capital improvement programs; and
- we believe that we have the ability to hold properties through down cycles because we generally do not have mortgage debt on the Company, which could place the properties at risk of foreclosure. As of February 8, 2018, none of our owned properties was subject to mortgage debt.

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#### Competition

With respect to our real estate investments, we face competition in each of the markets where our properties are located. In order to establish, maintain or increase the rental revenues for a property, it must be competitive on location, cost and amenities with other buildings of similar use. Some of our competitors may have significantly more resources than we do and may be able to offer more attractive rental rates or services. On the other hand, some of our competitors may be smaller or have less fixed overhead costs, less cash or other resources that make them willing or able to accept lower rents in order to maintain a certain occupancy level. In markets where there is not currently significant existing property competition, our competitors may decide to enter the market and build new buildings to compete with our existing projects or those in a development stage. Our competition is not only with other developers, but also with property users who choose to own their building or a portion of the building in the form of an office condominium. Competitive conditions are affected by larger market forces beyond our control, such as general economic conditions, which may increase competition among landlords for quality tenants, and individual decisions by tenants that are beyond our control.

Employees

We had 39 employees as of December 31, 2017 and 39 employees as of February 8, 2018.

Available Information

We are subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and, in accordance therewith, we file reports and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC. The reports and other information we file can be inspected and copied at the SEC Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Such reports and other information may also be obtained from the web site that the SEC maintains at http://www.sec.gov. Further information about the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330.

We make available, free of charge through our website http://www.fspreit.com our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with the SEC.

We will voluntarily provide paper copies of our filings and code of ethics upon written request received at the address on the cover of this Annual Report on Form 10-K, free of charge.

Directors and Executive Officers of FSP Corp.

The following table sets forth the names, ages and positions of all our directors and executive officers as of February 8, 2018.

Name	Age	Position
George J. Carter (6)	69	Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board
John N. Burke (1) (2) (3) (5) (7)	56	Director
Brian N. Hansen (1) (2) (3) (4) (9)	46	Director
Kenneth Hoxsie $(1) (3) (5)$	67	Director
Dennis J. McGillicuddy (1) (4)	76	Director
Georgia Murray (1) (2) (6) (8) (10)	67	Director
Kathryn P. O'Neil (2) (3) (5)	54	Director
Jeffrey B. Carter	46	President and Chief Investment Officer
Scott H. Carter	46	Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary
John G. Demeritt	57	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
John F. Donahue	51	Executive Vice President
Eriel Anchondo	40	Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

(1) Member of the Audit Committee

(2) Member of the Compensation Committee

- (3) Member of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee
- (4) Class I Director
- (5) Class II Director
- (6) Class III Director
- (7) Chair of the Audit Committee
- (8) Chair of the Compensation Committee
- (9) Chair of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee
- (10) Lead Independent Director

George J. Carter, age 69, is Chief Executive Officer and has been Chairman of the Board of Directors of FSP Corp. since 2002. Mr. Carter also was the President of FSP Corp. from 2002 to May 2016. Mr. Carter is responsible for all aspects of the business of FSP Corp. and its affiliates, with special emphasis on the evaluation, acquisition and structuring of real estate investments. Prior to the conversion, he was President of the general partner of the FSP Partnership and was responsible for all aspects of the business of the FSP Partnership and its affiliates. From 1992 through 1996 he was President of Boston Financial Securities, Inc. ("Boston Financial"). Prior to joining Boston Financial, Mr. Carter was owner and developer of Gloucester Dry Dock, a commercial shipyard in Gloucester, Massachusetts. From 1979 to 1988, Mr. Carter served as Managing Director in charge of marketing at First Winthrop Corporation, a national real estate and investment banking firm headquartered in Boston, Massachusetts. Prior to that, he held a number of positions in the brokerage industry including those with Merrill Lynch & Co. and Loeb Rhodes & Co. Mr. Carter is a graduate of the University of Miami (B.S.).

John N. Burke, age 56, has been a Director of FSP Corp. since 2004 and Chair of the Audit Committee since June 2004. Mr. Burke is a certified public accountant with over 30 years of experience in the practice of public accounting working with both private and publicly traded companies with extensive experience serving clients in the real estate and REIT industry. His experience includes analysis and evaluation of financial reporting, accounting systems, internal controls and audit matters. Mr. Burke has been involved as an advisor on several public offerings, private equity and debt financings and merger and acquisition transactions. Mr. Burke's consulting experience includes a wide range of accounting, tax and business planning matters. Prior to starting his own firm in 2003, Mr. Burke was an Audit Partner in the Boston office of BDO USA, LLP. Mr. Burke is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Massachusetts Society of CPAs. Mr. Burke earned an M.S. in Taxation and studied undergraduate accounting at Bentley University.

Brian N. Hansen, age 46, has been a Director of FSP Corp. since 2012 and Chair of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee since 2013. Since 2007, Mr. Hansen has served as President and Chief Operating Officer of Confluence Investment Management LLC, a St. Louis based Registered Investment Advisor. Prior to founding Confluence in 2007, Mr. Hansen served as a Managing Director in A.G. Edwards' Financial Institutions & Real Estate Investment Banking practice. While at A.G. Edwards, Mr. Hansen advised a wide variety of Real Estate Investment Trusts on numerous capital markets transactions, including public and private offerings of debt and equity securities as well as the analysis of various merger & acquisition opportunities. Prior to joining A.G. Edwards, Mr. Hansen served as a Manager in Arthur Andersen LLP's Audit & Business Advisory practice. Mr. Hansen has served on the boards of a number of non-profit entities and currently serves on the Investment Committee of the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Mr. Hansen earned his M.B.A. from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and his Bachelor of Science in Commerce from DePaul University. Mr. Hansen is a Certified Public Accountant.

Kenneth A. Hoxsie, age 67, has been a Director of FSP Corp. since January 2016. Mr. Hoxsie was a Partner at the international law firm of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP ("WilmerHale") until his retirement on December 31, 2015. He joined Hale and Dorr (the predecessor of WilmerHale) in 1981, subsequently worked at Copley Real Estate Advisors, an institutional real estate investment advisory firm, and rejoined Hale and Dorr in 1994. Mr. Hoxsie has over 30 years' experience in real estate capital markets transactions, fund formation, public company counseling and mergers and acquisitions and has advised the Company since its formation in 1997. Mr. Hoxsie earned his J.D. (Cum Laude) from Harvard Law School, his M.A. from Harvard University and his B.A. (Summa Cum Laude) from Amherst College, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Dennis J. McGillicuddy, age 76, has been a Director of FSP Corp. since May 2002. Mr. McGillicuddy graduated from the University of Florida with a B.A. degree and from the University of Florida Law School with a J.D. degree. In 1968, Mr. McGillicuddy joined Barry Silverstein in founding Coaxial Communications, a cable television company. In 1998 and 1999, Coaxial sold its cable systems. Mr. McGillicuddy has served on the boards of various charitable organizations. He is currently president of the Board of Trustees of Florida Studio Theater, a professional non-profit theater organization, and he serves as a Co-Chair, together with his wife, of Embracing Our Differences, an annual month-long art exhibit that promotes the values of diversity and inclusion. Mr. McGillicuddy also is a director of All-Star Children's Foundation, an organization engaged in creating a new paradigm for foster care. He also is a member of the Advisory Board of the Center For Mindfulness In Medicine, Health Care & Society, University of Massachusetts Medical School.

Georgia Murray, age 67, has been a Director of FSP Corp. since April 2005, Chair of the Compensation Committee since October 2006 and Lead Independent Director since February 2014. Ms. Murray is retired from Lend Lease Real Estate Investments, Inc., where she served as a Principal from November 1999 until May 2000. From 1973 through October 1999, Ms. Murray worked at The Boston Financial Group, Inc., serving as Senior Vice President and a Director at times during her tenure. Boston Financial was an affiliate of the Boston Financial Group, Inc. She is a past Trustee of the Urban Land Institute and a past President of the Multifamily Housing Institute. Ms. Murray previously served on the Board of Directors of Capital Crossing Bank. She also serves on the boards of numerous non-profit entities. Ms. Murray is a graduate of Newton College.

Kathryn P. O'Neil, age 54, has been a Director of FSP Corp. since January 2016. Ms. O'Neil was a Director at Bain Capital in the Investor Relations area where she focused on Private Equity and had oversight of the Investment Advisory sector from 2011 until her retirement in 2014. From 1999 to 2007, Ms. O'Neil was a Partner at FLAG Capital Management LLC, a manager of fund-of-funds investment vehicles in private equity, venture capital, real estate and natural resources. Previously, Ms. O'Neil was an Investment Consultant at Cambridge Associates where she specialized in Alternative Assets. Ms. O'Neil currently serves on a variety of non-profit boards, including the Board of Directors and Finance Committee of Horizon's for Homeless Children, the President's Council and Investment Committee for the Trustees of Reservations, and the Board of Overseers of the Peabody Essex Museum, where she is a member of the Finance, Audit, and Investment Committees. Ms. O'Neil is a Trustee Emeritus of Colby College and a former member of the Board of Overseers of the Boston Museum of Science. Ms. O'Neil holds a B.A. (Summa Cum Laude) and M.A. (Honorary) from Colby College where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Ms. O'Neil received her M.B.A. from The Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration.

Jeffrey B. Carter, age 46, is President and Chief Investment Officer of FSP Corp. Mr. Carter served as Executive Vice President and Chief Investment Officer from February 2012 until May 2016, when he was appointed as President in addition to his position as Chief Investment Officer. Previously, Mr. Carter served as Senior Vice President and Director of Acquisitions of FSP Corp. from 2005 to 2012 and as Vice President - Acquisitions from 2003 to 2005. Mr. Carter oversees the day-to-day execution of the Company's strategic objectives and business plan. In addition, Mr. Carter is primarily responsible for developing and implementing the Company's investment strategy, including coordination of acquisitions and dispositions. Prior to joining FSP Corp., Mr. Carter worked in Trust Administration for Northern Trust Bank in Miami, Florida. Mr. Carter is a graduate of Arizona State University (B.A.), The George Washington University (M.A.) and Cornell University (M.B.A.). Mr. Carter's father, George J. Carter, serves as Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors of FSP Corp. and Mr. Carter's brother, Scott H. Carter, serves as Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of FSP Corp.

Scott H. Carter, age 46, is Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of FSP Corp. Mr. Carter has served as General Counsel since February 2008. Mr. Carter joined FSP Corp. in October 2005 as Senior Vice President and In-house Counsel. Mr. Carter is primarily responsible for the management of all of the legal affairs of FSP Corp. and its affiliates. Prior to joining FSP Corp. in October 2005, Mr. Carter was associated with the law firm of Nixon Peabody LLP, which he originally joined in 1999. At Nixon Peabody LLP, Mr. Carter concentrated his practice on the areas of real estate syndication, acquisitions and finance. Mr. Carter received a Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A.) degree in Finance and Marketing and a Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree from the University of Miami. Mr. Carter is admitted to practice law in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Mr. Carter's father, George J. Carter, serves as Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors of FSP Corp. and Mr. Carter's brother, Jeffrey B. Carter, serves as President and Chief Investment Officer of FSP Corp.

John G. Demeritt, age 57, is Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of FSP Corp. and has been Chief Financial Officer since March 2005. Mr. Demeritt previously served as Senior Vice President, Finance and Principal Accounting Officer from September 2004 to March 2005. Prior to September 2004, Mr. Demeritt was a Manager with Caturano & Company, an independent accounting firm (which later merged with McGladrey) where he focused on Sarbanes Oxley compliance. Previously, from March 2002 to March 2004 he provided consulting services to public and private companies where he focused on SEC filings, evaluation of business processes and acquisition integration. During 2001 and 2002 he was Vice President of Financial Planning & Analysis at Cabot Industrial Trust, a publicly traded real estate investment trust, which was acquired by CalWest in December 2001. From October 1995 to December 2000 he was Controller and Officer of The Meditrust Companies, a publicly traded real estate investment trust (formerly known as The La Quinta Companies, which was then acquired by the Blackstone Group), where he was involved with a number of merger and financing transactions. Prior to that, from 1986 to 1995 he had financial and accounting responsibilities at three other public companies, and was previously associated with Laventhol & Horwath, an independent accounting firm from 1983 to 1986. Mr. Demeritt is a Certified Public Accountant and holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Babson College.

John F. Donahue, age 51, is Executive Vice President of FSP Corp. and President of FSP Property Management LLC and has held those positions since May 2016. Mr. Donahue is primarily responsible for the oversight of the management of all of the real estate assets of FSP Corp. and its affiliates. Mr. Donahue joined FSP Corp. in August 2001 as Vice President of FSP Property Management LLC. From 2001 to May 2016, Mr. Donahue was responsible for the management of certain of the real estate assets of FSP Corp. and its affiliates. From 1992 to 2001, Mr.

Donahue worked in the pension fund advisory business for GE Capital and AEW Capital Management with oversight of office, research and development, industrial and land investments. From 1989 to 1992, Mr. Donahue worked for Krupp Realty in various accounting and finance roles. Mr. Donahue holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree from Bryant College.

Eriel Anchondo, age 40, is Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of FSP Corp. and has held those positions since May 2016. Mr. Anchondo joined FSP Corp. in 2015 as Senior Vice President of Operations. Mr. Anchondo is responsible for ensuring that the Company has the proper operational controls, administrative and reporting procedures, and people systems and infrastructure in place to effectively grow the organization and maintain financial strength and operating efficiency. Prior to joining FSP Corp., from July 2014 to December 2014, Mr. Anchondo provided consulting services to the retail banking division of ISBAN, which is part of the Technology and Operations

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division of the Santander Group of financial institutions. From May 2007 to July 2013, Mr. Anchondo was employed by Mercer, a global consulting leader in talent, health, retirement, and investments, as an Employee Education Manager across all lines of Mercer's business. From May 2005 to May 2007, Mr. Anchondo was a Communications Consultant at New York Life Investment Management. From December 2002 to May 2005, Mr. Anchondo worked in the Preferred Client Services Group at Putnam Investments. Mr. Anchondo is a graduate of Boston University (B.A.) and Cornell University (M.B.A.).

Except for Eriel Anchondo, who joined FSP Corp. in 2015, each of the above executive officers has been a full-time employee of FSP Corp. for the past five fiscal years.

George J. Carter, Jeffrey B. Carter, John G. Demeritt and John F. Donahue are each also a director of FSP 303 East Wacker Drive Corp., which is a public reporting company and a Sponsored REIT. Each of these directors holds office from the time of his or her election until the next annual meeting and until a successor is elected and qualified, or until such director's earlier death, resignation or removal.

Item 1ARisk Factors

The following important factors, among others, could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated by forward-looking statements made in this Annual Report on Form 10-K and presented elsewhere by management from time-to-time.

Economic conditions in the United States could have a material adverse impact on our earnings and financial condition.

Because economic conditions in the United States may affect real estate values, occupancy levels and property income, current and future economic conditions in the United States could have a material adverse impact on our earnings and financial condition. Economic conditions may be affected by numerous factors, including but not limited to, the pace of economic growth and/or recessionary concerns, inflation, increases in the levels of unemployment, energy prices, changes in currency exchange rates, uncertainty about government fiscal and tax policy, geopolitical events, the regulatory environment, the availability of credit and interest rates. Future economic factors may negatively affect real estate values, occupancy levels and property income.

If a Sponsored REIT defaults on a Sponsored REIT Loan, we may be required to request additional draws, keep balances outstanding on our existing debt, exercise any maturity date extension rights, seek new debt or use our cash balance to repay our existing debt, which may reduce cash available for distribution to our stockholders or for other

corporate purposes.

From time-to-time, we may make secured loans to Sponsored REITs in the form of mortgage loans or revolving lines of credit to fund construction costs, capital expenditures, leasing costs and for other purposes. We refer to these loans as Sponsored REIT Loans. We anticipate that each Sponsored REIT Loan will be repaid at maturity or earlier from long term financing of the property securing the loan, cash flows from that underlying property or some other capital event. If a Sponsored REIT defaults on a Sponsored REIT Loan, the Sponsored REIT could be unable to fully repay the Sponsored REIT Loan and we may have to satisfy our obligations under our existing debt through other means, including without limitation, requesting additional draws, keeping balances outstanding, exercising any maturity date extension rights, seeking new debt, and/or using our cash balance. If that happens, we may have less cash available for distribution to our stockholders or for other corporate purposes.

Our operating results and financial condition could be adversely affected if we are unable to refinance the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Term Loan, the JPM Term Loan, the Series A Notes or the Series B Notes.

There can be no assurance that we will be able to refinance the revolving line of credit portion of the BAML Credit Facility (as defined in Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements) upon its maturity on January 12, 2022 (subject to two six month extensions until January 12, 2023), the term loan portion of the BAML Credit Facility upon its maturity on January 12, 2023, the BMO Term Loan (as defined in Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements) upon

its maturity on August 26, 2020, the JPM Term Loan (as defined in Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements) upon its maturity on November 30, 2018, the Series A Notes (as defined in Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements) upon their maturity on December 20, 2024 or the Series B Notes (as defined in Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements) upon their maturity on December 20, 2027, that any such refinancings would be on terms as favorable as the terms of the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Term Loan, the JPM Term Loan, the Series A Notes, or the Series B Notes, or that we will be able to otherwise obtain funds by selling assets or raising equity to make required payments on the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Term Loan, the JPM Term Loan, the Series A Notes or the Series B Notes. If we are unable to refinance the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Term Loan, the JPM Term Loan, the JPM Term Loan, the Series A Notes or the Series B Notes or the Series B Notes at maturity or meet our payment obligations, the amount of our distributable cash flow and our financial condition would be adversely affected.

Failure to comply with covenants in the documents evidencing the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Term Loan, the JPM Term Loan, the Series A Notes or the Series B Notes could adversely affect our financial condition.

The documents evidencing the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Term Loan, the JPM Term Loan, the Series A Notes and the Series B Notes contain customary affirmative and negative covenants, including limitations with respect to indebtedness, liens, investments, mergers and acquisitions, disposition of assets, changes in business, certain restricted payments, the requirement to have subsidiaries provide a guaranty in the event that they incur recourse indebtedness and transactions with affiliates. The documents evidencing the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Term Loan, the JPM Term Loan, the Series A Notes and the Series B Notes contain some or all of the following financial covenants: minimum tangible net worth; maximum leverage ratio; maximum secured leverage ratio; minimum fixed charge coverage ratio; maximum unencumbered leverage ratio; and minimum unsecured interest coverage. Our continued ability to borrow under the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Term Loan, and the JPM Term Loan is subject to compliance with our financial and other covenants. Failure to comply with such covenants could cause a default under the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Term Loan, the JPM Term Loan, the Series B Notes, and we may then be required to repay them with capital from other sources. Under those circumstances, other sources of capital may not be available to us, or be available only on unattractive terms.

We may use the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Term Loan, and the JPM Term Loan to finance the acquisition of real properties and for other permitted investments, to finance investments associated with Sponsored REITs, to refinance or retire indebtedness and for working capital and other general business purposes, in each case to the extent permitted under the respective documents. If we breach covenants in the documents evidencing the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Term Loan, the JPM Term Loan, the Series A Notes or the Series B Notes, the lenders can declare a default. A default under documents evidencing the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Term Loan, the JPM Term Loan, the Series B Notes, or the Series B Notes, or the Series B Notes could result in difficulty financing growth in our business and could also result in a reduction in the cash available for distribution to our stockholders or for other corporate purposes. A default under documents evidencing the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Term Loan, the Series A Notes or the Series B Notes could materially and adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

An increase in interest rates would increase our interest costs on variable rate debt and could adversely impact our ability to refinance existing debt or sell assets.

As of December 31, 2017, we had approximately \$78 million of indebtedness under the revolving line of credit portion of our BAML Credit Facility that bears interest at variable rates based on our credit rating, and we may incur more of such indebtedness in the future. Borrowings under the revolving line of credit portion of our BAML Credit Facility may not exceed \$600 million outstanding at any time. As of December 31, 2017, \$400 million was drawn and outstanding under the term loan portion of our BAML Credit Facility. The BAML Credit Facility includes an accordion feature that allows for an aggregate amount of up to \$500 million of additional borrowing capacity. On July 22, 2016, we fixed the base LIBOR rate on the term loan portion of the BAML Credit Facility at 1.12% until September 27, 2021 by entering into an interest rate swap agreement.

As of December 31, 2017, \$220 million was drawn and outstanding under the BMO Term Loan, although such amount may be increased by up to an additional \$50 million through the exercise of an accordion feature. On

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August 26, 2013, we fixed the base LIBOR rate on the BMO Term Loan at 2.32% for seven years until August 26, 2020 by entering into an interest rate swap agreement.

As of December 31, 2017, \$150 million was drawn and outstanding under the JPM Term Loan. The JPM Term Loan bears interest at variable rates based on our credit rating.

In the future, if interest rates increase, then the interest costs on our unhedged variable rate debt will also increase, which could adversely affect our cash flow, our ability to pay principal and interest on our debt and our ability to make distributions to stockholders. In addition, rising interest rates could limit our ability to incur new debt or to refinance existing debt when it matures. From time to time, we may enter into additional interest rate swap agreements and other interest rate hedging contracts, including swaps, caps and floors. While these agreements are intended to lessen the impact of rising interest rates on us, they also expose us to the risks that the other parties to the agreements will not perform, we could incur significant costs associated with the settlement of the agreements, the agreements will be unenforceable and the underlying transactions will fail to qualify as highly-effective cash flow hedges. In addition, an increase in interest rates could decrease the amount third parties are willing to pay for our assets, thereby limiting our ability to change our portfolio promptly in response to changes in economic or other conditions.

Downgrades in our credit ratings could increase our borrowing costs or reduce our access to funding sources in the credit and capital markets.

We are currently assigned a corporate credit rating from Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's") based on its evaluation of our creditworthiness. Although our corporate credit rating from Moody's is currently investment grade, there can be no assurance that we will not be downgraded or that our rating will remain investment grade. If our credit rating is downgraded or other negative action is taken, we could be required, among other things, to pay additional interest and fees under the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Term Loan, the JPM Term Loan, the Series A Notes and the Series B Notes.

Credit rating reductions by one or more rating agencies could also adversely affect our access to funding sources, the cost and other terms of obtaining funding as well as our overall financial condition, operating results and cash flow.

If we are not able to collect sufficient rents from each of our owned real properties, or investments in Sponsored REITs, or collect interest on Sponsored REIT Loans we fund, we may suffer significant operating losses or a reduction in cash available for future dividends.

A substantial portion of our revenue is generated by the rental income of our real properties and investments in Sponsored REITs. If our properties do not provide us with a steady rental income or we do not collect interest income from Sponsored REIT Loans we fund, our revenues will decrease, which may cause us to incur operating losses in the future and reduce the cash available for distribution to our stockholders.

We may not be able to identify properties that meet our criteria for purchase.

Growth in our portfolio of real estate is dependent on the ability of our acquisition executives to identify properties for sale and/or development which meet the applicable investment criteria. To the extent they fail to identify such properties, we would be unable to increase the size of our portfolio of real estate, which could reduce the cash otherwise available for distribution to our stockholders.

We are dependent on key personnel.

We depend on the efforts of George J. Carter, our Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors; Jeffrey B. Carter, our President and Chief Investment Officer; Scott H. Carter, our General Counsel, Secretary and an Executive Vice President; John G. Demeritt, our Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and an Executive Vice President; John F. Donahue, our President of FSP Property Management LLC and an Executive Vice President; and Eriel

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Anchondo, our Chief Operating Officer and an Executive Vice President. If any of our executive officers were to resign, our operations could be adversely affected. We do not have employment agreements with any of our executive officers.

Our level of dividends may fluctuate.

Because our real estate occupancy levels and rental rates can fluctuate, there is no predictable recurring level of revenue from such activities and changes in interest rates or in the mix of our fixed and variable rate debt can cause our interest costs to fluctuate. As a result of these fluctuations, the amount of cash available for distribution to our stockholders may fluctuate, which may result in our not being able to maintain or grow dividend levels in the future.

We face risks from tenant defaults or bankruptcies.

If any of our tenants defaults on its lease, we may experience delays in enforcing our rights as a landlord and may incur substantial costs in protecting our investment. In addition, at any time, a tenant of one of our properties may seek the protection of bankruptcy laws, which could result in the rejection and termination of such tenant's lease and thereby cause a reduction in cash available for distribution to our stockholders.

The real properties held by us may significantly decrease in value.

As of December 31, 2017, we owned 34 properties. We also have one property that has been redeveloped and currently is classified as non-operating. Some or all of these properties may decline in value. To the extent our real properties decline in value, our stockholders could lose some or all of the value of their investments. The value of our common stock may be adversely affected if the real properties held by us decline in value since these real properties represent the majority of the tangible assets held by us. Moreover, if we are forced to sell or lease the real property held by us below its initial purchase price or its carrying costs, respectively, or if we are forced to lease real property at below market rates because of the condition of the property, our results of operations would be adversely affected and such negative results of operations may result in lower dividends being paid to holders of our common stock.

New acquisitions may fail to perform as expected.

We may fund the acquisition of new properties with cash, by drawing on the revolving line of credit portion of our BAML Credit Facility, by assuming existing indebtedness, by entering into new indebtedness, by issuing debt

securities, by issuing shares of our stock or by other means. During the year ended December 31, 2017, we did not acquire any properties. During the year ended December 31, 2016, we acquired one property located in Minnesota, one property located in Georgia and one property located in Colorado. During the year ended December 31, 2015, we acquired one property located in Georgia. Newly acquired properties may fail to perform as expected, in which case, our results of operations could be adversely affected.

We face risks in owning, developing and operating real property.

An investment in us is subject to the risks incident to the ownership, development and operation of real estate-related assets. These risks include the fact that real estate investments are generally illiquid, which may affect our ability to vary our portfolio in response to changes in economic and other conditions, as well as the risks normally associated with:

- · changes in general and local economic conditions;
- the supply or demand for particular types of properties in particular markets;
- · changes in market rental rates;
- the impact of environmental protection laws;
- · changes in tax, real estate and zoning laws; and
- the impact of obligations and restrictions contained in title-related documents.

Certain significant costs, such as real estate taxes, utilities, insurance and maintenance costs, generally are not reduced even when a property's rental income is reduced. In addition, environmental and tax laws, interest rate levels,

the availability of financing and other factors may affect real estate values and property income. Furthermore, the supply of commercial space fluctuates with market conditions.

We may encounter significant delays in reletting vacant space, resulting in losses of income.

When leases expire, we may incur expenses and may not be able to re-lease the space on the same terms. While we cannot predict when existing vacant space in properties will be leased, if existing tenants with expiring leases will renew their leases or what the terms and conditions of the lease renewals will be, we expect to renew or sign new leases at current market rates for locations in which the buildings are located, which in some cases may be below the expiring rates. Certain leases provide tenants the right to terminate early if they pay a fee. If we are unable to re-lease space promptly, if the terms are significantly less favorable than anticipated or if the costs are higher, we may have to reduce distributions to our stockholders. Typical lease terms range from five to ten years, so up to approximately 20% of our rental revenue from commercial properties could be expected to expire each year.

We face risks of tenant-type concentration.

As of December 31, 2017, approximately 16% and 10% of our tenants as a percentage of the total rentable square feet operated in the energy services industry and the legal services industry, respectively. An economic downturn in these or any industry in which a high concentration of our tenants operate or in which a significant number of our tenants currently or may in the future operate, could negatively impact the financial condition of such tenants and cause them to fail to make timely rental payments or default on lease obligations, fail to renew their leases or renew their leases on terms less favorable to us, become bankrupt or insolvent, or otherwise become unable to satisfy their obligations to us, which could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

We face risks from geographic concentration.

The properties in our portfolio as of December 31, 2017, by aggregate square footage, are distributed geographically as follows: South — 47.1%, West — 26.7%, Midwest — 15.9% and East — 10.3%. However, within certain of those regions, we hold a larger concentration of our properties in Greater Denver, Colorado — 26.7%, Atlanta, Georgia — 20.1%, Houston, Texas — 12.2% and Dallas, Texas — 12.6%. We are likely to face risks to the extent that any of these areas in which we hold a larger concentration of our properties suffer deteriorating economic conditions. Given the fact that the Dallas, Denver and Houston metropolitan areas have a significant presence in the energy sector, a prolonged period of low oil or natural gas prices, or other factors negatively impacting the energy industry could have an adverse impact on our ability to maintain the occupancy of our properties in those areas or could cause us to lease space at rates below current in-place rents, or at rates below the rates we have leased space in those areas in the prior year. In addition, factors negatively impacting the energy industry could reduce the market values of our properties in those areas, which could reduce our net asset value and adversely affect our financial condition and results of

operations, or cause a decline in the value of our common stock.

We compete with national, regional and local real estate operators and developers, which could adversely affect our cash flow.

Competition exists in every market in which our properties are currently located and in every market in which properties we may acquire in the future will be located. We compete with, among others, national, regional and numerous local real estate operators and developers. Such competition may adversely affect the percentage of leased space and the rental revenues of our properties, which could adversely affect our cash flow from operations and our ability to make expected distributions to our stockholders. Some of our competitors may have more resources than we do or other competitive advantages. Competition may be accelerated by any increase in availability of funds for investment in real estate. For example, decreases in interest rates tend to increase the availability of funds and therefore can increase competition. To the extent that our properties continue to operate profitably, this will likely stimulate new development of competing properties. The extent to which we are affected by competition will depend in significant part on both local market conditions and national and global economic conditions.

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We are subject to possible liability relating to environmental matters, and we cannot assure you that we have identified all possible liabilities.

Under various federal, state and local laws, ordinances and regulations, an owner or operator of real property may become liable for the costs of removal or remediation of certain hazardous substances released on or in its property. Such laws may impose liability without regard to whether the owner or operator knew of, or caused, the release of such hazardous substances. The presence of hazardous substances on a property may adversely affect the owner's ability to sell such property or to borrow using such property as collateral, and it may cause the owner of the property to incur substantial remediation costs. In addition to claims for cleanup costs, the presence of hazardous substances on a property could result in the owner incurring substantial liabilities as a result of a claim by a private party for personal injury or a claim by an adjacent property owner for property damage.

In addition, we cannot assure you that:

- future laws, ordinances or regulations will not impose any material environmental liability;
- proposed legislation to address climate change will not increase utility and other costs of operating our properties which, if not offset by rising rental income and/or paid by tenants, would materially and adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations;
- the current environmental conditions of our properties will not be affected by the condition of properties in the vicinity of such properties (such as the presence of leaking underground storage tanks) or by third parties unrelated to us;
- tenants will not violate their leases by introducing hazardous or toxic substances into our properties that could expose us to liability under federal or state environmental laws; or
- environmental conditions, such as the growth of bacteria and toxic mold in heating and ventilation systems or on walls, will not occur at our properties and pose a threat to human health.

We are subject to compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act and fire and safety regulations, any of which could require us to make significant capital expenditures.

All of our properties are required to comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA), and the regulations, rules and orders that may be issued thereunder. The ADA has separate compliance requirements for "public accommodations" and "commercial facilities," but generally requires that buildings be made accessible to persons with disabilities. Compliance with ADA requirements might require, among other things, removal of access barriers. Noncompliance with such requirements could result in the imposition of fines by the U.S. government or an award of damages to private litigants.

In addition, we are required to operate our properties in compliance with fire and safety regulations, building codes and other land use regulations, as they may be adopted by governmental agencies and bodies and become applicable

to our properties. Compliance with such requirements may require us to make substantial capital expenditures, which expenditures would reduce cash otherwise available for distribution to our stockholders.

We face risks associated with our tenants being designated "Prohibited Persons" by the Office of Foreign Assets Control.

Pursuant to Executive Order 13224 and other laws, the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the United States Department of the Treasury, or OFAC, maintains a list of persons designated as terrorists or who are otherwise blocked or banned, which we refer to as Prohibited Persons. OFAC regulations and other laws prohibit conducting business or engaging in transactions with Prohibited Persons (the "OFAC Requirements"). Our current leases and certain other agreements require the other party to comply with the OFAC Requirements. If a tenant or other party with whom we contract is placed on the OFAC list we may be required by the OFAC Requirements to terminate the lease or other agreement. Any such termination could result in a loss of revenue or a damage claim by the other party that the termination was wrongful.

Security breaches and other disruptions could compromise our information and expose us to liability, which could cause our business and reputation to suffer.

In the ordinary course of our business, we collect and store sensitive data concerning investors in the Sponsored REITS, tenants and vendors. Despite our security measures, our information technology and infrastructure may be vulnerable to attacks by hackers or breached due to employee error, malfeasance or other disruptions. Any such breach could compromise our networks and the information stored there could be accessed, publicly disclosed, lost or stolen. Any such access, disclosure or other loss of information could result in legal claims or proceedings and liability under laws that protect the privacy of personal information, and could damage our reputation.

Actual or threatened terrorist attacks may adversely affect our ability to generate revenues and the value of our properties.

We have significant investments in markets that may be the targets of actual or threatened terrorism attacks in the future. As a result, some tenants in these markets may choose to relocate their businesses to other markets or to lower-profile office buildings within these markets that may be perceived to be less likely targets of future terrorist activity. This could result in an overall decrease in the demand for office space in these markets generally or in our properties in particular, which could increase vacancies in our properties or necessitate that we lease our properties on less favorable terms or both. In addition, future terrorist attacks in these markets could directly or indirectly damage our properties, both physically and financially, or cause losses that materially exceed our insurance coverage. As a result of the foregoing, our ability to generate revenues and the value of our properties could decline materially. See also "We may lose capital investment or anticipated profits if an uninsured event occurs."

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We carry, or our tenants carry, comprehensive liability, fire and extended coverage with respect to each of our properties, with policy specification and insured limits customarily carried for similar properties. There are, however, certain types of losses that may be either uninsurable or not economically insurable. Should an uninsured material loss occur, we could lose both capital invested in the property and anticipated profits.

Our employee retention plan may prevent changes in control.

During February 2006, our Board of Directors approved a change in control plan, which included a form of retention agreement and discretionary payment plan. Payments under the discretionary plan are capped at 1% of the market capitalization of FSP Corp. as reduced by the amount paid under the retention plan. The costs associated with these

two components of the plan may have the effect of discouraging a third party from making an acquisition proposal for us and may thereby inhibit a change in control under circumstances that could otherwise give the holders of our common stock the opportunity to realize a greater premium over the then-prevailing market prices.

Further issuances of equity securities may be dilutive to current stockholders.

The interests of our existing stockholders could be diluted if we issue additional equity securities to finance future acquisitions, repay indebtedness or to fund other general corporate purposes. Our ability to execute our business strategy depends on our access to an appropriate blend of debt financing, including unsecured lines of credit and other forms of secured and unsecured debt, and equity financing.

The price of our common stock may vary.

The market prices for our common stock may fluctuate with changes in market and economic conditions, including the market perception of REITs in general, and changes in our financial condition and results of operations. Such fluctuations may depress the market price of our common stock independent of the financial performance of FSP Corp. The market conditions for REIT stocks generally could affect the market price of our common stock.

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Recently enacted U.S. federal tax reform legislation could affect REITs generally, the geographic markets in which we operate, the price of our common stock and our results of operations, both positively and negatively in ways that are difficult to anticipate.

On December 22, 2017, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "2017 Act") was enacted. The 2017 Act includes significant changes to corporate and individual tax rates and the calculation of taxes, as well as international tax rules for U.S. domestic corporations. As a REIT, we are generally not required to pay federal taxes otherwise applicable to regular corporations if we distribute all of our income and comply with the various tax rules governing REITs. Stockholders, however, are generally required to pay taxes on REIT dividends. The 2017 Act changes the way in which dividends paid on our stock are taxed by the holder of that stock and could impact the price of our common stock or how stockholders and potential investors view an investment in REITs. In addition, while certain elements of the 2017 Act do not appear to impact us directly as a REIT, they could impact the geographic markets in which we operate and the tenants that lease space at our properties in ways, both positive and negative, that are difficult to anticipate.

We would incur adverse tax consequences if we failed to qualify as a real estate investment trusts or REIT.

The provisions of the tax code governing the taxation of real estate investment trusts are very technical and complex, and although we expect that we will be organized and will operate in a manner that will enable us to meet such requirements, no assurance can be given that we will always succeed in doing so. In addition, as a result of our past acquisition of certain Sponsored REITs by merger, which we refer to as target REITs, we might no longer qualify as a real estate investment trust. We could lose our ability to so qualify for a variety of reasons relating to the nature of the assets acquired from the target REITs, the identity of the stockholders of the target REITs who become our stockholders or the failure of one or more of the target REITs to have previously qualified as a real estate investment trust. Moreover, if one or more of the target REITs that we acquired in May 2008, April 2006, April 2005 or June 2003 did not qualify as a REIT immediately prior to the consummation of its acquisition, we could be disqualified as a REIT as a result of such acquisition.

If in any taxable year we do not qualify as a real estate investment trust, we would be taxed as a corporation and distributions to our stockholders would not be deductible by us in computing our taxable income. In addition, if we were to fail to qualify as a real estate investment trust, we could be disqualified from treatment as a real estate investment trust in the year in which such failure occurred and for the next four taxable years and, consequently, we would be taxed as a regular corporation during such years. Failure to qualify for even one taxable year could result in a significant reduction of our cash available for distribution to our stockholders or could require us to incur indebtedness or liquidate investments in order to generate sufficient funds to pay the resulting federal income tax liabilities.

Provisions in our organizational documents may prevent changes in control.

Our Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws contain provisions, described below, which may have the effect of discouraging a third party from making an acquisition proposal for us and may thereby inhibit a change of control under circumstances that could otherwise give the holders of our common stock the opportunity to realize a premium over the then-prevailing market prices.

Ownership Limits. In order for us to maintain our qualification as a real estate investment trust, the holders of our common stock may be limited to owning, either directly or under applicable attribution rules of the Internal Revenue Code, no more than 9.8% of the lesser of the value or the number of our equity shares, and no holder of common stock may acquire or transfer shares that would result in our shares of common stock being beneficially owned by fewer than 100 persons. Such ownership limit may have the effect of preventing an acquisition of control of us without the approval of our board of directors. Our Articles of Incorporation give our board of directors the right to refuse to give effect to the acquisition or transfer of shares by a stockholder in violation of these provisions.

Staggered Board. Our board of directors is divided into three classes. The terms of these classes are staggered and will expire in 2018, 2019 and 2020, respectively. Directors of each class are elected for a three-year term upon the expiration of the respective term of each class. The staggered terms for directors may affect our stockholders' ability to effect a change in control even if a change in control may be in the stockholders' best interests.

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Preferred Stock. Our Articles of Incorporation authorize our board of directors to issue up to 20,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$.0001 per share, and to establish the preferences and rights of any such shares issued. The issuance of preferred stock could have the effect of delaying or preventing a change in control even if a change in control may be in our stockholders' best interest.

Increase of Authorized Stock. Our board of directors, without any vote or consent of the stockholders, may increase the number of authorized shares of any class or series of stock or the aggregate number of authorized shares we have authority to issue. The ability to increase the number of authorized shares and issue such shares could have the effect of delaying or preventing a change in control even if a change in control may be in our stockholders' best interest.

Amendment of Bylaws. Our board of directors has the sole power to amend our Bylaws. This power could have the effect of delaying or preventing a change in control even if a change in control may be in our stockholders' best interests.

Stockholder Meetings. Our Bylaws require advance notice for stockholder proposals to be considered at annual and special meetings of stockholders and for stockholder nominations for election of directors at annual and special meetings of stockholders. The advance notice provisions require a proponent to provide us with detailed information about the proponent and/or nominee. Our Bylaws also provide that stockholders entitled to cast more than 50% of all the votes entitled to be cast at a meeting must join in a request by stockholders to call a special meeting of stockholders and that a specific process for the meeting request must be followed. These provisions could have the effect of delaying or preventing a change in control even if a change in control may be in the best interests of our stockholders.

Supermajority Votes Required. Our Articles of Incorporation require the affirmative vote of the holders of no less than 80% of the shares of capital stock outstanding and entitled to vote in order (i) to amend the provisions of our Articles of Incorporation relating to the classification of directors, removal of directors, limitation of liability of officers and directors or indemnification of officers and directors or (ii) to amend our Articles of Incorporation to impose cumulative voting in the election of directors. These provisions could have the effect of delaying or preventing a change in control even if a change in control may be in our stockholders' best interest.

Item 1B.Unresolved Staff Comments.

None.

Item 2.Properties

Set forth below is information regarding our properties as of December 31, 2017:

Property Location	Date of Purchase (1)	Approx. Square Feet	Percent Leased as of 12/31/17	7	Approx. Number of Tenants	Major Tenants (2)
Office						
600 Forest Point Circle Charlotte, NC 28273	7/8/99	62,212	100	%	1	American National Red Cross
14151 Park Meadow Drive Chantilly, VA 20151	3/15/01	138,537	100	%	5	American Systems Corporation Omniplex World Services Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc.
1370 & 1390 Timberlake Manor Parkway, Chesterfield, MO 63017	5/24/01	234,496	100	%	4	Centene Management Company, LLC Amdocs, Inc.
50 Northwest Point Rd. Elk Grove Village, IL 60005	12/5/01	177,095	100	%	2	Citicorp Credit Services, Inc. NCS Pearson, Inc.
1350 Timberlake Manor Parkway Chesterfield, MO 63017	3/4/02	117,036	100	%	3	Centene Management Company, LLC Edgewell Personal Care Company
16285 Park Ten Place Houston, TX 77084	6/27/02	157,460	69	%	8	Bluware, Inc. Subsea Solutions LLC Blade Energy BAE Systems Land & Armaments, LP
15601 Dallas Parkway Addison, TX 75001	9/30/02	288,794	100	%	13	Federal National Mortgage Association Cyxtera Management Inc.

						Compass Production Partners, LP
1500 & 1600 Greenville Ave. Richardson, TX 75080	3/3/03	300,887	100	%	5	ARGO Data Resource Corp. VCE Company, LLC Id Software, LLC
6550 & 6560 Greenwood Plaza Englewood, CO 80111	2/24/05	196,236	100	%	4	DIRECTV, Inc. Kaiser Foundation Health Plan
3815-3925 River Crossing Pkwy Indianapolis, IN 46240	7/6/05	205,059	96	%	15	Somerset CPAs, P.C. Crowe Horwath, LLP Blackboard, Inc.
5055 & 5057 Keller Springs Rd. Addison, TX 75001	2/24/06	218,934	91	%	27	See Footnote 3
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Property Location	Date of Purchase (1)	Approx. Square Feet	Percent Leased as of 12/31/17		Approx. Number of Tenants	Major Tenants (2)
5505 Blue Lagoon Drive Miami, FL 33126	11/6/03	212,619	100	%	1	Burger King Corporation
5600, 5620 & 5640 Cox Road Glen Allen, VA 23060	7/16/03	298,456	100	%	6	SunTrust Bank General Electric Company ChemTreat, Inc.
1293 Eldridge Parkway Houston, TX 77077	1/16/04	248,399	100	%	1	CITGO Petroleum Corporation
380 Interlocken Crescent Broomfield, CO 80021	8/15/03	240,358	86	%	9	VMWare, Inc. Cooley LLP Sierra Financial Services, Inc.
3625 Cumberland Boulevard Atlanta, GA 30339	6/27/06	387,267	61	%	19	Randstad General Partner (US) Gas South LLC
390 Interlocken Crescent Broomfield, CO 80021	12/21/06	241,751	99	%	9	Vail Holdings, Inc. AppExtremes, LLC
16290 Katy Freeway Houston, TX 77094	9/28/05	156,746	1	%	1	
45925 Horseshoe Drive Sterling, VA 20166	12/23/08	136,658	96	%	3	Giesecke & Devrient America, Inc.
4807 Stonecroft Blvd. Chantilly, VA 20151	6/26/09	111,469	100	%	1	Northrop Grumman Systems Corp.
	6/29/10	293,422	82	%	38	

121 South Eighth Street Minneapolis, MN 55402						Schwegman, Lundberg & Woessner
801 Marquette Ave. South Minneapolis, MN 55402	6/29/10	_	_	%	_	
4820 Emperor Boulevard Durham, NC 27703	3/4/11	259,531	100	%	1	QuintilesIMS Health Incorporated
5100 & 5160 Tennyson Pkwy Plano, TX 75024	3/10/11	202,600	86	%	4	Denbury Onshore LLC Worldventures Holdings, LLC ARK-LA-TEX Financial Services, LLC
7500 Dallas Parkway Plano, TX 75024	3/24/11	214,110	100	%	4	ADS Alliance Data Systems, Inc. Americorp., Inc. d/b/a Altair Global

Property Location	Date of Purchase (1)	Approx. Square Feet	Percent Leased as of 12/31/17	7	Approx. Number of Tenants	Major Tenants (2)
909 Davis Street Evanston, IL 60201	9/30/11	196,581	92	%	9	Houghton Mifflin Co. Honor Finance, LLC Northshore University Healthsystem Industrious EVN 909 Davis Street
One Ravinia Drive Atlanta, GA 30301	7/31/12	386,602	92	%	10	T-Mobile South LLC Internap Network Services Corporation
						Cedar Document Technologies, Inc.
Two Ravinia Drive Atlanta, GA 30301	4/8/15	411,047	75	%	40	See Footnote 3
10370 & 10350 Richmond Ave. Houston, TX 77042	11/1/12	629,025	88	%	43	Petrobras America, Inc.
1999 Broadway Denver, CO 80202	5/22/13	676,379	80	%	31	United States Government
999 Peachtree Street Atlanta, GA 30301	7/1/13	621,946	95	%	40	Eversheds Sutherland (US) LLP
1001 17th Street Denver, CO 80202	8/28/13	655,413	97	%	20	Newfield Exploration WPX Energy. Inc.
45 South Seventh Street	6/6/16	326,483	97	%	28	PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Minneapolis, MN 55402						Northland Securities, Inc.
1420 Peachtree Street, NE Atlanta, GA 30301	8/10/16	160,145	97	%	3	Jones Day
600 17th Street Denver, CO 80202	12/1/16	598,231	87	%	41	EOG Resources, Inc.
Total Office		9,761,984	90	%		

- (1) Date of purchase or merged entity date of purchase.
  - (2) Major tenants that occupy 10% or more of the space in an individual property.
- (3) No tenant occupies more than 10% of the space.

All of the properties listed above are owned, directly or indirectly, by us. None of our properties are subject to any mortgage loans. We have no material undeveloped or unimproved properties, or proposed programs for material renovation, improvement or development of any of our properties in 2018. We believe that our properties are adequately covered by insurance as of December 31, 2017.

The information presented below provides the weighted average GAAP rent per square foot for the year ending December 31, 2017 for our properties and weighted occupancy square feet and percentages. GAAP rent includes the impact of tenant concessions and reimbursements. This table does not include information about properties held by our investments in nonconsolidated REITs or those which we have provided Sponsored REIT Loans.

Property Name	City	State	Year Built or Renovated	Net Rentable Square Feet	Weighted Occupied Sq. Ft.	Weighted Occupied Percentage as of December 31, 2017 (a)	f	Av Re	eighted verage ent per Occup juare Feet (b)
Forest Park	Charlotte	NC	1999	62,212	62,212	100.0	%	\$	14.06
Meadow Point	Chantilly	VA	1999	138,537	138,537	100.0	%		26.27
Innsbrook	Glen Allen	VA	1999	298,456	298,456	100.0	%		18.21
Loudoun Tech									
Center	Dulles	VA	1999	136,658	128,308	93.9	%		18.12
Stonecroft	Chantilly	VA	2008	111,469	111,469	100.0	%		38.02
Emperor									
Boulevard	Durham	NC	2009	259,531	259,531	100.0	%		34.20
East total				1,006,863	998,513	99.2	%		25.43
Northwest	Elk Grove								
Point	Village	IL	1999	177,095	177,095	100.0	%		23.20
909 Davis	_								
Street	Evanston	IL	2002	196,581	153,078	77.9	%		28.92
River Crossing	Indianapolis	IN	1998	205,059	195,872	95.5	%		23.10
Timberlake	Chesterfield	MO	1999	234,496	234,496	100.0	%		26.09
Timberlake			• • • • •			100.0	~		
East	Chesterfield	MO	2000	117,036	117,036	100.0	%		25.23
121 South 8th	N.C. 11		1074	202 422	100 764		C		20.02
Street	Minneapolis	MN	1974	293,422	198,764	67.7	%		20.93
Plaza Seven	Minneapolis	MN	1987	326,483	312,542	95.7	%		32.58
Midwest total				1,550,172	1,388,883	89.6	%		26.26
Blue Lagoon	Man	ГЛ	2002	212 (10	212 (10	100.0	01		22.14
Drive One Overton	Miami	FL	2002	212,619	212,619	100.0	%		22.14
Park	Atlanta	GA	2002	387,267	267 202	69.0	%		24.80
Park Ten	Houston	GA TX	2002 1999	157,460	267,292 104,081	66.1	% %		24.80 29.88
Addison Circle Collins	Addison	ТХ	1999	288,794	251,395	87.1	%		33.28
Crossing	Richardson	ΤX	1999	300,887	300,887	100.0	%		24.88
Eldridge Green	Houston	TX	1999	248,399	248,399	100.0	%		30.53

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The following table is continued from the previous page and provides the weighted average GAAP rent per square foot for the year ending December 31, 2017 for our properties and weighted occupancy square feet and percentages. GAAP rent includes the impact of tenant concessions and reimbursements. This table does not include information about properties held by our investments in nonconsolidated REITs or those which we have provided Sponsored REIT Loans.

Property Name	City	State	Year Built or Renovated	Net Rentable Square Feet	Weighted Occupied Sq. Ft.	Weighted Occupied Percentage as of December 31, 2017 (a)		Weighted Average Rent per Occup Square Feet (b)
Park Ten Phase								
II	Houston	TX	2006	156,746	52,855	33.7	%	\$ 24.21
Liberty Plaza	Addison	TX	1985	218,934	187,670	85.7	%	22.03
Legacy								
Tennyson								
Center	Plano	ΤX	1999/2008	202,600	134,790	66.5	%	20.31
One Legacy								
Circle	Plano	ΤX	2008	214,110	212,290	99.2	%	36.95
One Ravinia								
Drive	Atlanta	GA	1985	386,602	347,246	89.8	%	24.74
Two Ravinia								
Drive	Atlanta	GA	1987	411,047	312,642	76.1	%	27.27
Westchase I &								
II	Houston	ΤX	1983/2008	629,025	525,865	83.6	%	32.67
Pershing Park								
Plaza	Atlanta	GA	1989	160,145	155,773	97.3	%	35.85
999 Peachtree	Atlanta	GA	1987	621,946	595,824	95.8	%	30.82
South Total				4,596,581	3,909,628	85.1	%	28.68
380 Interlocken	Broomfield	CO	2000	240,358	200,747	83.5	%	30.30
1999 Broadway	Denver	CO	1986	676,379	510,599	75.5	%	31.92
1001 17th	_	~ ~					~ /	
Street	Denver	CO	1977/2006	655,413	593,345	90.5	%	36.24
600 17th Street	Denver	CO	1982	598,231	533,323	89.2	%	33.07
Greenwood	<b>F</b> 1 1	<b>G</b> 0	2000	106.006	106.006	100.0	~	25.20
Plaza	Englewood	CO	2000	196,236	196,236	100.0	%	25.29
390 Interlocken	Broomfield	CO	2002	241,751	234,837	97.1	%	29.19
West Total				2,608,368	2,269,087	87.0	%	32.32
Grand Total				9,761,984	8,566,111	87.7	%	\$ 28.87

Excludes a property at 801 Marquette in Minneapolis, MN that has been redeveloped and is a non-operating property.

- (a) Based on weighted occupied square feet for the year ended December 31, 2017, including month-to-month tenants, divided by the Property's net rentable square footage.
- (b) Represents annualized GAAP rental revenue for the year ended December 31, 2017 per weighted occupied square foot.

The information presented below is a lease expiration table for ten years and thereafter, stating (i) the number of tenants whose leases will expire, (ii) the total area in square feet covered by such leases, (iii) the annual rental represented by such leases in dollars and by square feet, and (iv) the percentage of gross annual rental represented by such leases.

Year of Lease Expiration December 31,	Number of Leases Expiring Within the Year (a)	Rentable Square Footage Subject to Expiring Leases	Annualized Rent Under Expiring Leases (b)	Annualized Rent Per Square Foot Under Expiring Leases	Percentage of Total Annualized Rent Under Expiring Leases		Cumulative Total	2
2018	68 (c	) 1,038,265	\$ 32,818,151	\$ 31.61	13.0	%	13.0	%
2019	64	1,207,011	35,748,041	29.62	14.1	%	27.1	%
2020	73	871,386	28,439,239	32.64	11.3	%	38.4	%
2021	59	835,063	20,836,671	24.95	8.2	%	46.6	%
2022	62	1,217,165	38,764,135	31.85	15.3	%	61.9	%
2023	53	937,970	24,669,643	26.30	9.8	%	71.7	%
2024	23	475,471	14,353,552	30.19	5.7	%	77.4	%
2025	15	368,549	8,755,443	23.76	3.4	%	80.8	%
2026	7	615,504	20,657,955	33.56	8.2	%	89.0	%
2027	6	420,116	13,871,833	33.02	5.5	%	94.5	%
2028 and								
thereafter	94	768,585 (d)	13,836,038	18.00	5.5	%	100.0	%
	524	8,755,085	\$ 252,750,701	\$ 28.87	100.0	%		
Vacancies as of 12/31/17 Total Portfolio		1,006,899						
Square Footage		9,761,984						

(a) The number of leases approximates the number of tenants. Tenants with lease maturities in different years are included in annual totals for each lease. Tenants may have multiple leases in the same year.

(b) Annualized rent represents the monthly rent charged, including tenant reimbursements, for each lease in effect at December 31, 2017 multiplied by 12. Tenant reimbursements generally include payment of real estate taxes, operating expenses and common area maintenance and utility charges.

(c) Includes 8 leases that are month-to-month.

(d) Includes 113,305 square feet that are non-revenue producing building amenities.

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Item 3.Legal Proceedings

From time to time, we may be subject to legal proceedings and claims that arise in the ordinary course of our business. Although occasional adverse decisions (or settlements) may occur, we believe that the final disposition of such matters will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position, cash flows or results of operations.

Item 4.Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

PART II

Item 5.Market For Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Our common stock is listed on the NYSE American under the symbol "FSP". The following table sets forth the high and low sales prices on the NYSE American for the quarterly periods indicated.

Three Months Ended December 31, 2017 September 30, 2017 June 30, 2017 March 31, 2017	Range High \$ 11.00 \$ 11.45 \$ 12.71 \$ 13.27	Low \$ 9.79 \$ 9.59 \$ 9.74 \$ 11.21
December 31, 2016	\$ 13.15	\$ 10.70
September 30, 2016	\$ 13.18	\$ 11.96
June 30, 2016	\$ 12.32	\$ 10.32
March 31, 2016	\$ 10.91	\$ 8.67

As of February 1, 2018, there were 12,134 holders of our common stock, including both holders of record and participants in securities position listings.

On January 5, 2018, our board of directors declared a dividend of \$0.19 per share of our common stock payable to stockholders of record as of January 19, 2018 that was paid on February 8, 2018. Set forth below are the distributions per share of common stock made by FSP Corp. in each quarter since 2016.

Quarter Ended December 31, 2017 September 30, 2017 June 30, 2017 March 31, 2017		ution Per Share of on Stock of FSP Corp. 0.19 0.19 0.19 0.19 0.19
December 31, 2016 September 30, 2016 June 30, 2016 March 31, 2016	\$ \$ \$	0.19 0.19 0.19 0.19

While not guaranteed, we expect to continue to pay cash dividends on our common stock in the future. See Part I, Item 1A Risk Factors, "Our level of dividends may fluctuate." for additional information.

#### STOCK PERFORMANCE GRAPH

The following graph compares the cumulative total stockholder return on the Company's common stock between December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2017 with the cumulative total return of (1) the NAREIT Equity Index, (2) the Standard & Poor's 500 Composite Stock Price Index ("S&P 500") and (3) the Russell 2000 Total Return Index over the same period. This graph assumes the investment of \$100.00 on December 31, 2012 and assumes that any distributions are reinvested.

	As of De	cember 31,				
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
FSP	\$ 100	\$ 103	\$ 112	\$ 101	\$ 135	\$ 119
NAREIT Equity	100	103	132	135	147	160
S&P 500	100	132	151	153	171	208
Russell 2000	100	139	146	139	169	194

Notes to Graph:

The above performance graph and related information shall not be deemed "soliciting material" or to be "filed" with the Securities and Exchange Commission, nor shall such information be incorporated by reference into any future filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each as amended, except to the extent that we specifically incorporate it by reference into such filing.

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Item 6.Selected Financial Data

The following selected financial information is derived from the historical consolidated financial statements of FSP Corp. This information should be read in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in Item 7 and with FSP Corp.'s consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto included in Item 8.

	Year Ended I	December 31,			
(In thousands, except per share amounts)	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Operating Data:					
Total revenue	\$ 272,588	\$ 249,888	\$ 243,867	\$ 249,683	\$ 213,636
Income from:					
Income from continuing operations	(15,944)	8,378	35,014	13,148	17,294
Income from discontinued operations					2,533
Net income	(15,944)	8,378	35,014	13,148	19,827
Basic and diluted income per share:					
Continuing operations	\$ (0.15)	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.13	\$ 0.18
Discontinued operations	\$ (0.15) 	\$ 0.00 	ф 0.55 —	φ 0.13 —	0.03
Total	\$ (0.15)	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.13	\$ 0.21
Distributions declared per share					
outstanding:	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.76

	As of December 31,							
	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013			
Balance Sheet Data:								
Total assets	\$ 1,990,512	\$ 2,088,133	\$ 1,919,015	\$ 1,933,106	\$ 2,039,932			
Total liabilities	1,119,220	1,126,089	983,359	953,459	989,766			
Total shareholders' equity	871,292	962,044	935,656	979,647	1,050,166			

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Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto appearing elsewhere in this report. Historical results and percentage relationships set forth in the consolidated financial statements, including trends which might appear, should not be taken as necessarily indicative of future operations. The following discussion and other parts of this Annual Report on Form 10-K may also contain forward-looking statements based on current judgments and current knowledge of management, which are subject to certain risks, trends and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated in such forward-looking statements. Accordingly, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Investors are cautioned that our forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainty, including without limitation, economic conditions in the United States, disruptions in the debt markets, economic conditions in the markets in which we own properties, risks of a lessening of demand for the types of real estate owned by us, uncertainties relating to fiscal policy, changes in government regulations and regulatory uncertainty, uncertainties relating to the impact of the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act on December 22, 2017, geopolitical events, and expenditures that cannot be anticipated such as utility rate and usage increases, unanticipated repairs, additional staffing, insurance increases and real estate tax valuation reassessments. See "Risk Factors" in Item 1A. Although we believe the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. We may not update any of the forward-looking statements after the date this Annual Report on Form 10-K is filed to conform them to actual results or to changes in our expectations that occur after such date, other than as required by law.

#### Overview

FSP Corp., or we or the Company, operates in a single reportable segment: real estate operations. The real estate operations market involves real estate rental operations, leasing, secured financing of real estate and services provided for asset management, property management, property acquisitions, dispositions and development. Our current strategy is to invest in select urban infill and central business district properties, with primary emphasis on our five core markets of Atlanta, Dallas, Denver, Houston and Minneapolis. We believe that our five core markets have macro-economic drivers that have the potential to increase occupancies and rents. We will also monitor other markets for opportunistic investments. We seek value-oriented investments with an eye towards long-term growth and appreciation, as well as current income.

As of December 31, 2017, approximately 7.7 million square feet, or approximately 78.0% of our total owned portfolio, was located in our five core markets. From time-to-time we may dispose of our smaller, suburban office assets and replace them with larger urban infill and central business district office assets located primarily in our five core markets. As we execute this strategy, short term operating results could be adversely impacted. However, we believe that the transformed portfolio has the potential to provide higher profit and asset value growth over a longer period of time.

The main factor that affects our real estate operations is the broad economic market conditions in the United States. These market conditions affect the occupancy levels and the rent levels on both a national and local level. We have no influence on broader economic/market conditions. We look to acquire and/or develop quality properties in good locations in order to lessen the impact of downturns in the market and to take advantage of upturns when they occur.

Trends and Uncertainties

**Economic Conditions** 

The economy in the United States is continuing to experience a period of moderate economic growth, which directly affects the demand for office space, our primary income producing asset. The broad economic market conditions in the United States are affected by numerous factors, including but not limited to, inflation and employment levels, energy prices, the pace of economic growth and/or recessionary concerns, uncertainty about government fiscal and tax policy, changes in currency exchange rates, geopolitical events, the regulatory environment, the availability of credit and interest rates. In addition, the Federal Reserve Bank has indicated that it could raise interest rates further in 2018. Any increase in interest rates could result in increased borrowing costs to us. However, we could also benefit

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from any further improved economic fundamentals and increasing levels of employment. We believe that the economy is in a cyclically-slower but prolonged broad-based upswing. However, future economic factors may negatively affect real estate values, occupancy levels and property income.

**Real Estate Operations** 

Leasing

Our real estate portfolio was approximately 89.7% leased as of December 31, 2017, an increase from 89.3% as of December 31, 2016. The 0.4% increase in leased space was a result of leasing completed less the impact of lease expirations and terminations during the year ended December 31, 2017. As of December 31, 2017, we had approximately 1,007,000 square feet of vacancy in our portfolio compared to approximately 1,086,000 square feet of vacancy at December 31, 2016. During the year ended December 31, 2017, we leased approximately 1,471,000 square feet of office space, of which approximately 1,011,000 square feet were with existing tenants, at a weighted average term of 6.75 years. On average, tenant improvements for such leases were \$22.22 per square foot, lease commissions were \$9.92 per square foot and rent concessions were approximately four months of free rent. Average GAAP base rents under such leases were \$30.43 per square foot, or 12.3% higher than average rents in the respective properties as applicable compared to the year ended December 31, 2016.

In January 2016, our property at 801 Marquette Avenue in Minneapolis, Minnesota, with approximately 170,000 square feet of space, became vacant and we subsequently redeveloped the property. Interior demolition and construction work commenced during the three months ended September 30, 2016. As of December 31, 2017, we had incurred approximately \$16.4 million in total redevelopment costs. Delivery of the substantially completed project was achieved at the end of the second quarter of 2017. Redevelopment of 801 Marquette Avenue has resulted in approximately 130,000 of net rentable square feet for the property. We anticipate the project, when leased, will attain rents of approximately \$17 to \$19 net rent per square foot compared to previously expired net rent of approximately \$4.75 per square foot.

As of December 31, 2017, leases for approximately 10.6% and 12.4% of the square footage in our portfolio are scheduled to expire during 2018 and 2019, respectively. As the first quarter of 2018 begins, we believe that our property portfolio is well stabilized, with a balanced lease expiration schedule, and that existing vacancy is being actively marketed to numerous potential tenants. We believe that most of our largest property markets are now experiencing generally steady or improving rental conditions. We anticipate continued positive leasing activity within the portfolio in 2018.

While we cannot generally predict when an existing vacancy in our real estate portfolio will be leased or if existing tenants with expiring leases will renew their leases or what the terms and conditions of the lease renewals will be, we

expect to renew or sign new leases at then-current market rates for locations in which the buildings are located, which could be above or below the expiring rates. Also, we believe the potential for any of our tenants to default on its lease or to seek the protection of bankruptcy exists. If any of our tenants defaults on its lease, we may experience delays in enforcing our rights as a landlord and may incur substantial costs in protecting our investment. In addition, at any time, a tenant of one of our properties may seek the protection of bankruptcy laws, which could result in the rejection and termination of such tenant's lease and thereby cause a reduction in cash available for distribution to our stockholders.

Real Estate Acquisition and Investment Activity

During 2017:

- on January 6, we received approximately \$6.2 million in proceeds from the sale of a property located in Milpitas, California;
- on June 7, we received approximately \$9.0 million in cash from FSP 1441 Main Street Corp. as repayment in full of a Sponsored REIT Loan;
- during the year ended December 31, we received approximately \$1.1 million in cash from FSP Satellite Place Corp., as partial prepayment of a Sponsored REIT Loan; and

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• on October 20, we received approximately \$31.6 million in proceeds from the sale of a property located in Baltimore, Maryland.

During 2016:

- on January 19, we received approximately \$37.5 million from FSP 385 Interlocken Development Corp. as repayment in full of a Sponsored REIT Loan;
- during the year ended December 31, we received approximately \$2.3 million from FSP Satellite Place Corp., as partial prepayment of a Sponsored REIT Loan;
- on June 6, we acquired an office property with approximately 325,800 rentable square feet for \$82 million located in Minneapolis, Minnesota;
- on August 10, we acquired an office property with approximately 160,000 rentable square feet for \$45.5 million located in Atlanta, Georgia; and
- on December 1, we acquired an office property with approximately 613,000 rentable square feet for \$154.2 million located in Denver, Colorado.

During 2015:

- we funded advances on Sponsored REIT Loans for revolving lines of credit in the aggregate amount of approximately \$4.0 million;
- on April 8, we acquired an office property with approximately 442,130 rentable square feet of space for \$78.0 million located in the Central Perimeter Submarket of Atlanta, Georgia; and
- on December 7, we funded a Sponsored REIT Loan for a mortgage loan secured by a property of approximately \$21.0 million.

Property Dispositions and Assets Held for Sale

During the three months ended June 30, 2017, we reached a decision to classify our office property located in Baltimore, Maryland as an asset held for sale. The property was expected to sell within one year at a loss, which was recorded as a provision for loss on a property held for sale of \$20.5 million net of applicable income taxes and was classified as an asset held for sale of \$31.9 million at June 30, 2017. During the three months ended September 30, 2017, we increased the provision for loss by \$0.3 million to \$20.7 million net of applicable income taxes and the property was classified as an asset held for sale in the amount of \$31.6 million at September 30, 2017. We sold the property on October 20, 2017 for net proceeds of \$31.6 million resulting in a total loss of \$20.8 million, net of applicable income taxes.

During the three months ended December 31, 2016, we reached an agreement to sell an office property located in Milpitas, California. The property was classified as an asset held for sale at December 31, 2016 and was sold on

January 6, 2017 at a \$2.3 million gain.

On April 5, 2016, we sold an office property located in Maryland Heights, Missouri at approximately a \$4.2 million gain. During the three months ended June 30, 2016, we reached a decision to classify our office property located in Federal Way, Washington, as an asset held for sale. The property was expected to sell within one year at a loss, which was recorded as a provision for loss on a property held for sale of \$4.8 million net of applicable income taxes and was classified as an asset held for sale of \$9.3 million at June 30, 2016. During the three months ended September 30, 2016, we increased the provision for loss by \$0.5 million to \$5.3 million net of applicable income taxes and the property was classified as an asset held for sale in the amount of \$8.8 million at September 30, 2016. The Company sold the property on December 16, 2016 for net proceeds of \$7.3 million resulting in a total loss of \$7.1 million, net of applicable income taxes.

During 2015, we sold an office property located in Plano, Texas on February 23, 2015 at a \$1.5 million gain, sold an office property located in Eden Prairie, Minnesota on March 31, 2015 at a \$9.0 million gain, sold an office property located in Charlotte, North Carolina on May 13, 2015 at a \$0.9 million gain and sold an office property located in San Jose, California on December 9, 2015 at a \$12.3 million gain.

The disposal of these properties did not represent a strategic shift that has a major effect on the Company's operations and financial results. Accordingly, the properties remained classified within continuing operations for all periods presented.

We will continue to evaluate our portfolio, and in the future may decide to dispose of additional properties from time-to-time in the ordinary course of business. We believe that the current property sales environment continues to improve in many markets relative to both liquidity and pricing. We believe that both improving office property fundamentals as well as attractive financing availability will likely be required to continue improvement in the marketplace for potential property dispositions. As an important part of our total return strategy, we intend to be active in property dispositions when we believe that market conditions warrant such activity and, as a consequence, we continuously review and evaluate our portfolio of properties for potentially advantageous dispositions.

**Critical Accounting Policies** 

We have certain critical accounting policies that are subject to judgments and estimates by our management and uncertainties of outcome that affect the application of these policies. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. On an on-going basis, we evaluate our estimates. In the event estimates or assumptions prove to be different from actual results, adjustments are made in subsequent periods to reflect more current information. The accounting policies that we believe are most critical to the understanding of our financial position and results of operations, and that require significant management estimates and judgments, are discussed below. Significant estimates in the consolidated financial statements include the allowance for doubtful accounts, purchase price allocations, useful lives of fixed assets, impairment considerations and the valuation of derivatives.

Critical accounting policies are those that have the most impact on the reporting of our financial condition and results of operations and those requiring significant judgments and estimates. We believe that our judgments and estimates are consistently applied and produce financial information that fairly presents our results of operations. Our most critical accounting policies involve our investments in Sponsored REITs and our investments in real property. These policies affect our:

- · allocation of purchase price;
- · allowance for doubtful accounts;
- · assessment of the carrying values and impairments of long lived assets;
- useful lives of fixed assets and intangibles;
- valuation of derivatives;
- · classification of leases; and
- $\cdot \;$  ownership of stock in a Sponsored REIT and related interests.

These policies involve significant judgments made based upon our experience, including judgments about current valuations, ultimate realizable value, estimated useful lives, salvage or residual value, the ability of our tenants to perform their obligations to us, current and future economic conditions and competitive factors in the markets in which our properties are located. Competition, economic conditions and other factors may cause occupancy declines in the future. In the future we may need to revise our carrying value assessments to incorporate information which is not now known and such revisions could increase or decrease our depreciation expense related to properties we own, result in the classification of our leases as other than operating leases or decrease the carrying values of our assets.

Allocation of Purchase Price

We allocate the value of real estate acquired among land, buildings, improvements and identified intangible assets and liabilities, which may consist of the value of above market and below market leases, the value of in-place leases, and the value of tenant relationships. Purchase price allocations and the determination of the useful lives are based on management's estimates. Under some circumstances we may rely upon studies commissioned from independent real estate appraisal firms in determining the purchase price allocations.

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Purchase price allocated to land and building and improvements is based on management's determination of the relative fair values of these assets assuming the property was vacant. Management determines the fair value of a property using methods similar to those used by independent appraisers. Purchase price allocated to above or below market leases is based on the present value (using an interest rate which reflects the risks associated with the leases acquired) of the difference between (i) the contractual amounts to be paid pursuant to the in-place leases including consideration of potential lease renewals and (ii) our estimate of fair market lease rates for the corresponding leases, measured over a period equal to the remaining non-cancelable terms of the respective leases. This aggregate value is allocated between in-place lease values and tenant relationships based on management's evaluation of the specific characteristics of each tenant's lease; however, the value of tenant relationships has not been separated from in-place lease value because such value and its consequence to amortization expense is immaterial for acquisitions reflected in our financial statements. Factors considered by us in performing these analyses include (i) an estimate of carrying costs during the expected lease-up periods, including real estate taxes, insurance and other operating income and expenses, and (ii) costs to execute similar leases in current market conditions, such as leasing commissions, legal and other related costs. If future acquisitions result in our allocating material amounts to the value of tenant relationships.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

We provide an allowance for doubtful accounts based on our estimate of a tenant's ability to make future rent payments. The computation of this allowance is based in part on the tenants' payment history and current credit status.

#### Impairment

We periodically evaluate our real estate properties for impairment indicators. These indicators may include declining tenant occupancy, weak or declining tenant profitability, cash flow or liquidity, our decision to dispose of an asset before the end of its estimated useful life or legislative, economic or market changes that permanently reduce the value of our investments. If indicators of impairment are present, we evaluate the carrying value of the property by comparing it to its expected future undiscounted cash flows. If the sum of these expected future cash flows is less than the carrying value, we reduce the net carrying value of the property to the present value of these expected future cash flows. This analysis requires us to judge whether indicators of impairment exist and to estimate likely future cash flows. If we misjudge or estimate incorrectly or if future tenant profitability, market or industry factors differ from our expectations, we may record an impairment charge which is inappropriate or fail to record a charge when we should have done so, or the amount of such charges may be inaccurate.

Depreciation and Amortization Expense

We compute depreciation expense using the straight-line method over estimated useful lives of up to 39 years for buildings and improvements, and up to 15 years for personal property. Costs incurred in connection with leasing (primarily tenant improvements and leasing commissions) are capitalized and amortized over the lease period. The allocated cost of land is not depreciated. The value of above or below-market leases is amortized over the remaining non-cancelable periods of the respective leases as an adjustment to rental income. The value of in-place leases, exclusive of the value of above-market and below-market in-place leases, is also amortized over the remaining non-cancelable periods of the respective leases. If a lease is terminated prior to its stated expiration, all unamortized amounts relating to that lease are written off. Inappropriate allocation of acquisition costs, or incorrect estimates of useful lives, could result in depreciation and amortization expenses which do not appropriately reflect the allocation of our capital expenditures over future periods, as is required by generally accepted accounting principles.

**Derivative Instruments** 

We recognize derivatives on the balance sheet at fair value. Derivatives that do not qualify, or are not designated as hedge relationships, must be adjusted to fair value through income. Derivative instruments designated in a hedge relationship to mitigate exposure to variability in expected future cash flows, or other types of forecasted transactions, are considered cash flow hedges. Cash flow hedges are accounted for by recording the fair value of the derivative instrument on the balance sheet as either an asset or liability. To the extent hedges are effective, a

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corresponding amount, adjusted for swap payments, is recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income within stockholders' equity. Amounts are then reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income to the income statement in the period or periods the hedged forecasted transaction affects earnings. The ineffective portion of the derivatives' fair value is recognized directly into earnings as "Other" in our income statement. Derivative instruments designated in a hedge relationship to mitigate exposure to changes in the fair value of an asset, liability, or firm commitment attributable to a particular risk, such as interest rate risk, are considered fair value hedges. We currently have no fair value hedges outstanding. Fair values of derivatives are subject to significant variability based on changes in interest rates and counterparty credit risk. To the extent we enter into fair value hedges in the future, the results of such variability could be a significant increase or decrease in our derivative assets, derivative liabilities, book equity, and/or earnings.

Lease Classification

Some of our real estate properties are leased on a triple net basis, pursuant to non-cancelable, fixed term, operating leases. Each time we enter a new lease or materially modify an existing lease we evaluate whether it is appropriately classified as a capital lease or as an operating lease. The classification of a lease as capital or operating affects the carrying value of a property, as well as our recognition of rental payments as revenue. These evaluations require us to make estimates of, among other things, the remaining useful life and market value of a property, discount rates and future cash flows. Incorrect assumptions or estimates may result in misclassification of our leases.

Ownership of Stock in a Sponsored REIT and Related Interests

We currently hold preferred stock interests in two Sponsored REITs. As a result of our common and preferred stock interests in these two Sponsored REITs, we exercise influence over, but do not control these entities. These preferred stock interests are accounted for using the equity method. Under the equity method of accounting our cost basis is adjusted by our share of the Sponsored REITs' operations and distributions received. We also agreed to vote our preferred shares (i) with respect to any merger in the same manner that a majority of the other stockholders of the Sponsored REIT vote for or against the merger and (ii) with respect to any other matter presented to a vote by the stockholders of these Sponsored REITs in the same proportion as shares voted by other stockholders of that Sponsored REIT.

The equity investments in Sponsored REITS are reviewed for impairment each reporting period. The Company records impairment charges when events or circumstances indicate a decline in the fair value below the carrying value of the investment has occurred and such decline is other than temporary. The ultimate realization of the equity investments in Sponsored REITS is dependent on a number of factors, including the performance of each investment and market conditions.

**Results of Operations** 

Impact of Real Estate Acquisitions, Dispositions and Investment Activity:

Results of operations include acquisitions from the date of purchase and dispositions from the beginning of the period through the date of sale. The results of operations also include interest income from motgage investments from the date of funding to the date of repayment, as applicable. Increases and decreases in rental revenues and interest income from loans and expenses for the year ended December 31, 2017 compared to the year ended December 31, 2016, or for the year ended December 31, 2016 compared to the year ended December 31, 2015, are primarily a result of the timing of these acquisitions and dispositions and the contribution of these acquired properties after their acquisition date or sold properties prior to their sale date, as well as the effect on interest income from the dates of funding and repayment on our mortgage investments.

The following table shows financial results for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

	Year ended E	December 31,	
(in thousands)	2017	2016	Change
Revenues:			
Rental	\$ 267,265	\$ 244,349	\$ 22,916
Related party revenue:			
Management fees and interest income from loans	5,285	5,465	(180)
Other	38	74	(36)
Total revenues	272,588	249,888	22,700
Expenses:			
Real estate operating expenses	71,212	65,335	5,877
Real estate taxes and insurance	45,841	40,140	5,701
Depreciation and amortization	101,258	93,052	8,206
General and administrative	13,471	14,126	(655)
Interest	32,387	26,548	5,839
Total expenses	264,169	239,201	24,968
Income before equity in losses of non-consolidated REITs, other, gain			
(loss) on sale of properties and properties held for sale, less applicable			
income tax and taxes	8,419	10,687	(2,268)
Equity in losses of non-consolidated REITs	(3,604)	(831)	(2,773)
Other	(1,878)	1,878	(3,756)
Gain (loss) on sale of properties and properties held for sale, less			
applicable income tax	(18,481)	(2,938)	(15,543)
Income (loss) before taxes on income	(15,544)	8,796	(24,340)
Taxes on income	400	418	(18)
Net income (loss)	\$ (15,944)	\$ 8,378	\$ (24,322)

Comparison of the year ended December 31, 2017 to the year ended December 31, 2016

Revenues

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Total revenues increased by approximately \$22.7 million to \$272.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2017, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2016. The increase was primarily a result of:

An increase in rental revenue of approximately \$22.9 million arising primarily from rental revenue for properties that we acquired on each of June 6, 2016, August 10, 2016 and December 1, 2016, which was partially offset by the loss of revenue from properties that we sold on each of April 5, 2016, December 16, 2016, January 6, 2017 and October 20, 2017. In addition, our leased space increased 0.4% to 89.7% at December 31, 2017 compared to 89.3% at December 31, 2016.

The increase was partially offset by:

• A decrease in interest income from loans to Sponsored REITs of approximately \$0.2 million as a result of repayments of Sponsored REIT Loans, which was partially offset by higher interest rates in 2017 compared to 2016 and the funding of an advance on a Sponsored REIT Loan we made in December 2016.

Expenses

Total expenses increased by \$25.0 million to \$264.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2017, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2016. The increase was primarily a result of:

- An increase in real estate operating expenses and real estate taxes and insurance of approximately \$11.6 million and an increase in depreciation and amortization of approximately \$8.2 million, which were attributable to the acquisition of properties on June 6, 2016, August 10, 2016 and December 1, 2016, and which were partially offset by decreases as a result of the disposition of four properties during 2016 and 2017.
- An increase in interest expense of approximately \$5.8 million to \$32.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2017 compared to the same period in 2016. The increase was primarily attributable to higher interest rates, additional borrowings under the JPM Term Loan (as defined below) we entered into on November 30, 2016 and an increase in amortization of deferred financing costs during the year ended December 31, 2017 as compared to the same period in 2016.

These increases were partially offset by:

• A decrease in general and administrative expenses of \$0.6 million as a result of decreases in acquisition costs, personnel expenses, franchise taxes and professional expenses. We had 39 employees as of each of December 31, 2017 and 2016.

Equity in losses of non-consolidated REITs

Equity in losses from non-consolidated REITs increased approximately \$2.8 million to a loss of \$3.6 million during the year ended December 31, 2017 compared to the same period in 2016. The increase was primarily attributable to an impairment charge we recognized of \$2.5 million, which represented the other-than-temporary decline in the fair value below the carrying value of one of the Company's investments in non-consolidated REITs. In addition, equity in the loss from our preferred stock investment in a Sponsored REIT, FSP Grand Boulevard Corp., decreased \$0.4 million during the year ended December 31, 2017 compared to the same period in 2016 and was partially offset by an increase in equity in the loss from our preferred stock investment in a Sponsored REIT, FSP 303 East Wacker Drive Corp., which we refer to as East Wacker, which increased \$0.1 million during the year ended December 31, 2017, compared to the same period in 2016.

Gains (loss) on sale of properties, less applicable income tax

During the three months ended December 31, 2016, we reached an agreement to sell an office property located in Milpitas, California. The property was classified as an asset held for sale at December 31, 2016 and was sold on January 6, 2017 at a \$2.3 million gain. During the three months ended June 30, 2017, we reached a decision to classify our office property located in Baltimore, Maryland as an asset held for sale. The property was expected to sell within one year at a loss, which was recorded as a provision for loss on a property held for sale of \$20.5 million net of applicable income taxes and the property was classified as an asset held for sale of \$31.9 million at June 30, 2017. During the three months ended September 30, 2017, we increased the provision for loss by \$0.3 million to \$20.7 million net of applicable income taxes and the property was classified as an asset held for sale as an asset held for sale in the amount of \$31.6 million at September 30, 2017. We sold the property on October 20, 2017 for net proceeds of \$31.6 million resulting in a total loss of \$20.8 million, net of applicable income taxes.

We sold an office property located in Maryland Heights, Missouri on April 5, 2016, at a \$4.2 million gain. During the three months ended June 30, 2016, we reached a decision to classify our office property located in Federal Way, Washington, as an asset held for sale. The property was expected to sell within one year at a loss, which was recorded as a provision for loss on a property held for sale of \$4.8 million net of applicable income taxes and the property was classified as an asset held for sale of \$9.3 million at June 30, 2016. During the three months ended September 30, 2016, we increased the provision for loss by \$0.5 million to \$5.3 million net of applicable income taxes and was the property was classified as an asset held for sale in the amount of \$8.8 million at September 30, 2016. The

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Company sold the property on December 16, 2016 for \$7.3 million of net proceeds, resulting in a total loss of \$7.1 million, net of applicable income taxes.

Other

Other expense increased by \$1.9 million during the year ended December 31, 2017 and decreased \$1.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2016, which changes were attributable to hedge ineffectiveness from our derivatives' fair value. The ineffective portion of the derivatives' fair value was recognized directly into earnings each quarter as hedge ineffectiveness. On October 18, 2017, the Company amended the BMO Term Loan and BAML Term Loan to, among other changes, provide that the deemed zero percent interest rate floor is not applicable to any loan where there is a corresponding interest rate swap contract in place. As a result of these amendments, our future results are not expected to include adjustments due to hedge ineffectiveness with respect to future interest payments on these loans.

Taxes on income

Included in income taxes is the Revised Texas Franchise Tax, a tax on revenues from Texas properties, which increased \$3,000 while federal and other income taxes decreased \$21,000 for year ended December 31, 2017 compared to the same period in 2016.

Net income (loss)

Net loss for the year ended December 31, 2017 was \$15.9 million compared to net income of \$8.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2016, for the reasons described above.

The following table shows financial results for the years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015.

	Year ended December 31,		
(in thousands)	2016	2015	Change
Revenues:			-
Rental	\$ 244,349	\$ 237,856	\$ 6,493
Related party revenue:			
Management fees and interest income from loans	5,465	5,930	(465)
Other	74	81	(7)
Total revenues	249,888	243,867	6,021
Expenses:			
Real estate operating expenses	65,335	61,890	3,445
Real estate taxes and insurance	40,140	38,660	1,480
Depreciation and amortization	93,052	91,359	1,693
General and administrative	14,126	13,291	835
Interest	26,548	25,432	1,116
Total expenses	239,201	230,632	8,569
Income before interest income, equity in losses of non-consolidated			
REITs, gain (loss) on sale of properties, less applicable income tax and			
taxes	10,687	13,235	(2,548)
Interest income		1	(1)
Equity in losses of non-consolidated REITs	(831)	(1,451)	620
Other	1,878		1,878
Gain (loss) on sale of properties, less applicable income tax	(2,938)	23,662	(26,600)
Income before taxes on income	8,796	35,447	(26,651)
Taxes on income	418	433	(15)
Net income	\$ 8,378	\$ 35,014	\$ (26,636)

Comparison of the year ended December 31, 2016 to the year ended December 31, 2015

Revenues

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Total revenues increased by approximately \$6.0 million to \$249.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2016, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2015. The increase was primarily a result of:

An increase in rental revenue of approximately \$6.5 million arising primarily from rental revenue for properties that we acquired on each of April 8, 2015, June 6, 2016, August 10, 2016 and December 1, 2016, which was partially offset by the loss of revenue from the disposition of four other properties during 2015 and 2016. We sold a property on each of May 13, 2015, December 9, 2015, April 5, 2016 and December 16, 2016. In addition, our leased space decreased 2.3% to 89.3% at December 31, 2016 compared to 91.6% at December 31, 2015.

The increase was partially offset by:

• A decrease in interest income from loans to Sponsored REITs of approximately \$0.5 million as a result of repayments of Sponsored REIT Loans and lower interest rates, which was partially offset by the funding of an advance and a Sponsored REIT Loan we made in December 2015.

Expenses

Total expenses increased by \$8.5 million to \$239.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2016, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2015. The increase was primarily a result of:

- An increase in real estate operating expenses and real estate taxes and insurance of approximately \$4.9 million and an increase in depreciation and amortization of approximately \$1.7 million, which were attributable to the acquisition of properties on April 8, 2015, June 6, 2016, August 10, 2016 and December 1, 2016, and were partially offset by decreases as a result of the disposition of four properties during 2015 and 2016.
- An increase in general and administrative expenses of \$0.8 million as a result of increases in acquisition costs and personnel related expenses. We had 39 employees as of December 31, 2016 and 40 employees as of December 31, 2015.
- An increase in interest expense of approximately \$1.1 million to \$26.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2016 compared to the same period in 2015. The increase was primarily attributable to higher interest rates, additional borrowings under the JPM Term Loan (as defined below) we entered into on November 30, 2016 and an increase in amortization of deferred financing costs during the year ended December 31, 2016 as compared to the same period in 2015.

Equity in losses of non-consolidated REITs

Equity in losses from non-consolidated REITs decreased approximately \$0.6 million to a loss of \$0.8 million during the year ended December 31, 2016 compared to the same period in 2015. The decrease was primarily attributable to equity in the loss from our preferred stock investment in a Sponsored REIT, FSP 303 East Wacker Drive Corp., which we refer to as East Wacker, which decreased \$0.8 million during the year ended December 31, 2016, compared to the same period in 2015.

Gains (loss) on sale of properties, less applicable income tax

We sold an office property located in Maryland Heights, Missouri on April 5, 2016, at a \$4.2 million gain. During the three months ended June 30, 2016, we reached a decision to classify our office property located in Federal Way, Washington, as an asset held for sale. The property was expected to sell within one year at a loss, which was recorded as a provision for loss on a property held for sale of \$4.8 million net of applicable income taxes and was classified as an asset held for sale of \$9.3 million at June 30, 2016. During the three months ended September 30, 2016, we increased the provision for loss by \$0.5 million to \$5.3 million net of applicable income taxes and was the property was classified as an asset held for sale in the amount of \$8.8 million at September 30, 2016. The Company sold the property on December 16, 2016 for \$7.3 million of net proceeds, resulting in a total loss of \$7.1 million, net of applicable income taxes. During the year ended December 31, 2015, we recorded gains on sale of four properties. We sold an office property located in Plano, Texas on February 23, 2015 at a \$1.5 million gain, an office

property located in Eden Prairie, Minnesota on March 31, 2015 at a \$9.0 million gain, an office property located in Charlotte, North Carolina on May 13, 2015 at a \$0.9 million gain and an office property located in San Jose, California on December 9, 2015 at a \$12.3 million gain.

Other

A \$1.9 million credit to Other expense for the year ended December 31, 2016 is attributable to hedge ineffectiveness from our derivatives' fair value. The ineffective portion of the derivatives' fair value was recognized directly into earnings each quarter as hedge ineffectiveness.

Taxes on income

Included in income taxes is the Revised Texas Franchise Tax, a tax on revenues from Texas properties, which decreased \$46,000 while federal and other income taxes increased \$31,000 for year ended December 31, 2016, compared to the same period in 2015.

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Net Income

Net Income for the year ended December 31, 2016 was \$8.4 million compared to \$35.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2015, for the reasons described above.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

**Funds From Operations** 

The Company evaluates performance based on Funds From Operations (FFO) as management believes that FFO represents the most accurate measure of activity and is the basis for distributions paid to equity holders. The Company defines FFO as net income (computed in accordance with GAAP), excluding gains (or losses) from sales of property, hedge ineffectiveness and acquisition costs of newly acquired properties that are not capitalized, plus depreciation and amortization, including amortization of acquired above and below market lease intangibles and impairment charges on properties or investments in non-consolidated REITs, and after adjustments to exclude equity in income or losses from, and, to include the proportionate share of FFO from, non-consolidated REITs.

FFO should not be considered as an alternative to net income (determined in accordance with GAAP), nor as an indicator of the Company's financial performance, nor as an alternative to cash flows from operating activities (determined in accordance with GAAP), nor as a measure of the Company's liquidity, nor is it necessarily indicative of sufficient cash flow to fund all of the Company's needs.

Other real estate companies and the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, or NAREIT may define this term in a different manner. We have included the NAREIT FFO definition as of May 17, 2016 in the table and note that other REITs may not define FFO in accordance with the NAREIT definition or may interpret the current NAREIT definition differently than we do.

We believe that in order to facilitate a clear understanding of the results of the Company, FFO should be examined in connection with net income and cash flows from operating, investing and financing activities in the consolidated financial statements.

The calculations of FFO are shown in the following table:

(in thousands):				
Net income (loss)				

For the Year Ended December 31,					
2017		2016	2015		
\$ (15,944)	\$	8,378	\$	35,014	
18,481		2,938		(23,662)	

(Gain) loss on sale of properties and properties held for sale,

less applicable income tax			
Equity in losses of non-consolidated REITs	3,604	831	1,451
FFO from non-consolidated REITs	3,173	3,041	2,732
Depreciation and amortization	100,227	92,556	91,201
NAREIT FFO	109,541	107,744	106,736
Hedge ineffectiveness	1,878	(1,878)	
Acquisition costs of new properties	18	479	154
Funds From Operations	\$ 111,437	\$ 106,345	\$ 106,890

Net Operating Income (NOI)

The Company provides property performance based on NOI. Management believes that investors are interested in this information. NOI is a non-GAAP financial measure that the Company defines as net income (the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure) plus general and administrative expenses, depreciation and amortization, including amortization of acquired above and below market lease intangibles and impairment charges, interest expense, less equity in earnings of nonconsolidated REITs, interest income, management fee income, hedge ineffectiveness, gains or losses on the sale of assets and excludes non-property specific income and expenses. The information presented includes footnotes and the data is shown by region with properties owned in both periods, which we call Same Store. The Comparative Same Store results include properties held for the periods presented and exclude properties that are non-operating, being developed or redeveloped, dispositions and significant nonrecurring income such as bankruptcy

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settlements and lease termination fees. NOI, as defined by the Company, may not be comparable to NOI reported by other REITs that define NOI differently. NOI should not be considered an alternative to net income as an indication of our performance or to cash flows as a measure of the Company's liquidity or its ability to make distributions. The calculations of NOI are shown in the following table:

	Net Operating Income (NOI)*					
		Year	Year			
(in thousands)	Rentable	Ended	Ended	Inc	%	
Region	Square Feet	31-Dec-17	31-Dec-16	(Dec)	Change	e
East	1,007	\$ 15,701	\$ 15,681	\$ 20	0.1	%
MidWest	1,224	12,121	11,916	205	1.7	%
South	4,436	62,910	67,504	(4,594)	(6.8)	%
West	2,010	34,320	32,159	2,161	6.7	%
Same Store	8,677	125,052	127,260	(2,208)	(1.7)	%
Acquisitions Property NOI from the continuing	1,085	20,200	4,970	15,230	11.6	%
portfolio Dispositions, Non-Operating,	9,762	145,252	132,230	13,022	9.9	%
Development or Redevelopment		1,583	3,884	(2,301)	(2.0)	%
Property NOI		\$ 146,835	\$ 136,114	\$ 10,721	7.9	%
Same Store		\$ 125,052	\$ 127,260	\$ (2,208)	(1.7)	%
Less Nonrecurring Items in NOI (a)		3,260	1,647	1,613	(1.3)	%
Comparative Same Store		\$ 121,792	\$ 125,613	\$ (3,821)	(3.0)	%

	Year Ended	Year Ended
Reconciliation to Net income	31-Dec-17	31-Dec-16
Net Income	\$ (15,944)	\$ 8,378
Add (deduct):		
(Gain) loss on sale of properties,		
less applicable income taxes	18,481	2,938
Hedge ineffectiveness	1,878	(1,878)
Management fee income	(3,109)	(2,824)
Depreciation and amortization	101,258	93,052
Amortization of above/below market leases	(1,031)	(496)
General and administrative	13,471	14,126
Interest expense	32,387	26,548

Interest income	(4,687)	(4,834)
Equity in losses of non-consolidated REITs	3,604	831
Non-property specific items, net	527	273
Property NOI	\$ 146,835	\$ 136,114

(a) Nonrecurring Items in NOI include proceeds from bankruptcies, lease termination fees or other significant nonrecurring income or expenses, which may affect comparability.

\*Excludes NOI from investments in and interest income from secured loans to non-consolidated REITs.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Cash and cash equivalents were \$9.8 million and \$9.3 million at December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively. The increase of \$0.5 million is attributable to \$96.0 million provided by operating activities, less \$5.1 million used in investing activities less \$90.4 million used in financing activities. Management believes that existing cash, cash anticipated to be generated internally by operations and our existing debt financing will be sufficient to meet working capital requirements and anticipated capital expenditures for at least the next 12 months. Although there is no guarantee that we will be able to obtain the funds necessary for our future growth, we anticipate generating funds from continuing real estate operations. We believe that we have adequate funds to cover unusual expenses and capital improvements, in addition to normal operating expenses. Our ability to maintain or increase our level of dividends to stockholders, however, depends in significant part upon the level of rental income from our real properties and our interest costs.

**Operating Activities** 

The cash provided by our operating activities of \$96.0 million is primarily attributable to the net loss of \$15.9 million excluding a net loss on the sale of properties of \$18.5 million, plus the add-back of \$106.6 million of non-cash expenses and a decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses of \$3.7 million. These increases were partially offset by a \$14.3 million increase in payments of deferred leasing commissions, a \$2.0 million increase in lease acquisition costs a \$0.4 million increase in prepaid expenses and other assets, and a \$0.2 million increase in tenant rent receivables.

Investing Activities

Our cash used in investing activities for the year ended December 31, 2017 of \$5.1 million is primarily attributable to purchases of real estate assets and office equipment investments and office equipment of approximately \$54.3 million. These decreases were partially offset by net proceeds from the sale of a properties during 2017 of \$37.7 million, repayments received from related party mortgage receivables of \$10.1 million and distributions received from non-consolidated REITs of \$1.4 million.

**Financing Activities** 

Our cash used in financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2017 of \$90.4 million is primarily attributable to repayments on the BAML Revolver (as defined below) of \$277.0 million, distributions paid to stockholders of \$81.5 million and financing costs paid of \$6.9 million. These uses were partially offset by net proceeds from the Senior Notes (as defined below) of an aggregate \$200.0 million and borrowings on the BAML Revolver (as defined below) of \$75.0 million.

JPM Term Loan

On October 18, 2017, the Company entered into a First Amendment (the "JPM First Amendment") to the Credit Agreement, dated November 30, 2016, among the Company, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent and lender, and the other lending institutions party thereto (as amended by the JPM First Amendment, the "JPM Credit Agreement"), which provides a single unsecured bridge loan in the aggregate principal amount of \$150 million (the "JPM Term Loan") that remains fully advanced and outstanding. The JPM Term Loan has a two year term that matures on November 30, 2018.

The JPM Term Loan bears interest at either (i) a number of basis points over the Eurodollar Rate depending on the Company's credit rating (135.0 basis points over the Eurodollar Rate at December 31, 2017) or (ii) a number of basis points over the base rate depending on the Company's credit rating (35.0 basis points over the base rate at December 31, 2017).

The actual margin over the Eurodollar Rate or base rate is determined based on the Company's credit rating pursuant to the following grid:

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	CREDIT	RATE	BASE RAT	Έ
LEVEL	RATING	MARGIN	MARGIN	
Ι	BBB / Baa2 (or higher)	110.0	bps 10.0	bps
II	BBB- / Baa3	135.0	bps 35.0	bps
III	<bbb- baa3<="" td=""><td>185.0</td><td>bps 85.0</td><td>bps</td></bbb->	185.0	bps 85.0	bps

For purposes of the JPM Term Loan, base rate means, for any day, a fluctuating rate per annum equal to the greatest of: (i) JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.'s prime rate in effect on such day, (ii) the greater of the Federal Funds Rate or the overnight bank funding rate in effect on such day, plus 0.50% (but no less than zero), and (iii) the one month Adjusted LIBOR based rate for a such day plus 1.00%. For purposes of the JPM Term Loan, the Eurodollar Rate means, for any interest period, the LIBO Rate for the applicable interest period multiplied by the statutory reserve rate, and in any event, the Eurodollar Rate shall not be less than zero. As of December 31, 2017, the Company's credit rating from Moody's Investors Service was Baa3.

Based upon the Company's credit rating, as of December 31, 2017, the interest rate on the JPM Term Loan was 2.98% per annum. The weighted average interest rate on the JPM Term Loan during the year ended December 31, 2017 was approximately 2.45% per annum. The weighted average interest rate on the JPM Term Loan during the year ended December 31, 2016 was approximately 1.99% per annum.

The JPM Credit Agreement contains customary affirmative and negative covenants for credit facilities of this type, including limitations with respect to indebtedness, liens, investments, mergers and acquisitions, disposition of assets, changes in business, certain restricted payments, the requirement to have subsidiaries provide a guaranty in the event that they incur recourse indebtedness and transactions with affiliates. The JPM Credit Agreement also contains financial covenants that require the Company to maintain a minimum tangible net worth, a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio, a maximum secured leverage ratio, a maximum leverage ratio, a maximum unencumbered leverage ratio, and minimum unsecured interest coverage. The JPM Credit Agreement provides for customary events of default with corresponding grace periods, including failure to pay any principal or interest when due, certain cross defaults and a change in control of the Company (as defined in the JPM Credit Agreement). In the event of a default by the Company, the administrative agent may, and at the request of the requisite number of lenders shall, declare all obligations under the JPM Credit Agreement and related documents. For certain events of default related to bankruptcy, insolvency, and receivership, all outstanding obligations of the Company will become immediately due and payable. The Company was in compliance with the JPM Term Loan financial covenants as of December 31, 2017.

The Company used the net proceeds of the JPM Term Loan to acquire the property located at 600 17th Street, Denver, Colorado on December 1, 2016 and for other general business purposes.

BMO Term Loan

On July 21, 2016, the Company entered into a First Amendment (the "BMO First Amendment"), and on October 18, 2017 the Company entered into a Second Amendment (the "BMO Second Amendment"), to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated October 29, 2014, among the Company, the lending institutions party thereto and Bank of Montreal, as administrative agent (as amended by the BMO First Amendment and the BMO Second Amendment, the "BMO Credit Agreement"). The BMO Credit Agreement provides for a single, unsecured term loan borrowing in the amount of \$220 million (the "BMO Term Loan") that remains fully advanced and outstanding. The BMO Term Loan matures on August 26, 2020. The BMO Credit Agreement also includes an accordion feature that allows up to \$50 million of additional loans, subject to receipt of lender commitments and satisfaction of certain customary conditions.

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The BMO Term Loan bears interest at either (i) a number of basis points over LIBOR depending on the Company's credit rating (165 basis points over LIBOR at December 31, 2017) or (ii) a number of basis points over the base rate depending on the Company's credit rating (65 basis points over the base rate at December 31, 2017).

The actual margin over LIBOR rate or base rate is determined based on the Company's credit rating pursuant to the following grid:

	CREDIT	LIBOR RATE		BASE RATE	
LEVEL	RATING	MARGIN		MARGIN	
Ι	A- / A3 (or higher)	105.0	bps	5.0	bps
II	BBB+ / Baa1	115.0	bps	15.0	bps
III	BBB / Baa2	135.0	bps	35.0	bps
IV	BBB- / Baa3	165.0	bps	65.0	bps
V	<bbb- baa3<="" td=""><td>215.0</td><td>bps</td><td>115.0</td><td>bps</td></bbb->	215.0	bps	115.0	bps

For purposes of the BMO Term Loan, base rate means, for any day, a fluctuating rate per annum equal to the highest of: (i) the bank's prime rate for such day, (ii) the Federal Funds Rate for such day, plus 0.50%, and (iii) the one month LIBOR based rate for such day plus 1.00%. As of December 31, 2017, the Company's credit rating from Moody's Investors Service was Baa3.

Although the interest rate on the BMO Term Loan is variable under the BMO Credit Agreement, the Company fixed the base LIBOR interest rate by entering into an interest rate swap agreement. On August 26, 2013, the Company entered into an ISDA Master Agreement with Bank of Montreal that fixed the base LIBOR interest rate on the BMO Term Loan at 2.32% per annum for seven years, until the August 26, 2020 maturity date. Accordingly, based upon the Company's credit rating, as of December 31, 2017, the effective interest rate on the BMO Term Loan was 3.97% per annum.

The BMO Credit Agreement contains customary affirmative and negative covenants for credit facilities of this type, including limitations with respect to indebtedness, liens, investments, mergers and acquisitions, disposition of assets, changes in business, certain restricted payments, the requirement to have subsidiaries provide a guaranty in the event that they incur recourse indebtedness and transactions with affiliates. The BMO Credit Agreement also contains financial covenants that require the Company to maintain a minimum tangible net worth, a maximum leverage ratio, a maximum secured leverage ratio, a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio, a maximum unencumbered leverage ratio, and minimum unsecured interest coverage. The BMO Credit Agreement provides for customary events of default with corresponding grace periods, including failure to pay any principal or interest when due, certain cross defaults and a change in control of the Company (as defined in the BMO Credit Agreement). In the event of a default by the Company, the administrative agent may, and at the request of the requisite number of lenders shall, declare all obligations under the BMO Credit Agreement immediately due and payable, terminate the lenders' commitments to make loans under the BMO Credit Agreement, and enforce any and all rights of the lenders or BMO administrative

agent under the BMO Credit Agreement and related documents. For certain events of default related to bankruptcy, insolvency, and receivership, the commitments of lenders will be automatically terminated and all outstanding obligations of the Company will become immediately due and payable. The Company was in compliance with the BMO Term Loan financial covenants as of December 31, 2017.

The Company may use the proceeds of the loans under the BMO Credit Agreement to finance the acquisition of real properties and for other permitted investments; to finance investments associated with Sponsored REITs, to refinance or retire indebtedness and for working capital and other general business purposes, in each case to the extent permitted under the BMO Credit Agreement.

**BAML Credit Facility** 

On on July 21, 2016, the Company entered into a First Amendment (the "BAML First Amendment"), and on October 18, 2017, the Company entered into a Second Amendment (the "BAML Second Amendment"), to the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated October 29, 2014 among the Company, the lending institutions party thereto and Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, L/C Issuer and Swing Line Lender (as amended by the

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BAML First Amendment and the BAML Second Amendment, the "BAML Credit Facility") that continued an existing unsecured revolving line of credit (the "BAML Revolver") and an existing term loan (the "BAML Term Loan").

**BAML** Revolver Highlights

- The BAML Revolver is for borrowings, at the Company's election, of up to \$600 million. Borrowings made pursuant to the BAML Revolver may be revolving loans, swing line loans or letters of credit, the combined sum of which may not exceed \$600 million outstanding at any time.
- Borrowings made pursuant to the BAML Revolver may be borrowed, repaid and reborrowed from time to time until the maturity date of January12, 2022. The Company has the right to extend the maturity date of the BAML Revolver by two additional 6 month periods, or until January 12, 2023, upon payment of a fee and satisfaction of certain customary conditions.
- The BAML Credit Facility includes an accordion feature that allows for an aggregate amount of up to \$500 million of additional borrowing capacity applicable to the BAML Revolver and/or the BAML Term Loan, subject to receipt of lender commitments and satisfaction of certain customary conditions.

As of December 31, 2017, there were borrowings of \$78 million outstanding under the BAML Revolver. The BAML Revolver bears interest at either (i) a margin over LIBOR depending on the Company's credit rating (1.20% over LIBOR at December 31, 2017) or (ii) a margin over the base rate depending on the Company's credit rating (0.20% over the base rate at December 31, 2017). The BAML Credit Facility also obligates the Company to pay an annual facility fee in an amount that is also based on the Company's credit rating. The facility fee is assessed against the total amount of the BAML Revolver, or \$600 million (0.25% at December 31, 2017). The actual amount of any applicable facility fee, and the margin over LIBOR rate or base rate is determined based on the Company's credit rating pursuant to the following grid.

		LIBOR		Base
		Rate	Facility	Rate
Level	Credit Rating	Margin	Fee	Margin
Ι	A- / A3 (or higher)	0.825 %	0.125 %	0.000 %
II	BBB+ / Baa1	0.875 %	0.150 %	0.000 %
III	BBB / Baa2	1.000 %	0.200 %	0.000 %
IV	BBB- / Baa3	1.200 %	0.250 %	0.200 %
V	<bbb- baa3<="" td=""><td>1.550 %</td><td>0.300 %</td><td>0.550 %</td></bbb->	1.550 %	0.300 %	0.550 %

For purposes of the BAML Credit Facility, base rate means, for any day, a fluctuating rate per annum equal to the highest of: (i) the bank's prime rate for such day, (ii) the Federal Funds Rate for such day, plus 0.50%, and (iii) the one month LIBOR based rate for such day plus 1.00%. As of December 31, 2017, the Company's credit rating from Moody's Investors Service was Baa3.

Based upon the Company's credit rating, as of December 31, 2017, the interest rate on the BAML Revolver was 2.63% per annum and there were borrowings of \$78 million outstanding. The weighted average interest rate on all amounts outstanding on the BAML Revolver during the year ended December 31, 2017 was approximately 2.31% per annum. As of December 31, 2016, there were borrowings of \$280 million outstanding under the BAML Revolver at an interest rate of 1.88% per annum.

BAML Term Loan Highlights

- The BAML Term Loan is for \$400 million.
- The BAML Term Loan matures on January 12, 2023.
- The BAML Credit Facility includes an accordion feature that allows for an aggregate amount of up to \$500 million of additional borrowing capacity to the BAML Revolver and/or the BAML Term Loan, subject to receipt of lender commitments and satisfaction of certain customary conditions.
- On September 27, 2012, the Company drew down the entire \$400 million under the BAML Term Loan and such amount remains fully advanced and outstanding under the BAML Term Loan.

The BAML Term Loan bears interest at either (i) a margin over LIBOR depending on the Company's credit rating (1.35% over LIBOR at December 31, 2017) or (ii) a margin over the base rate depending on the Company's credit rating (0.35% over the base rate at December 31, 2017). The actual margin over LIBOR rate or base rate is determined based on the Company's credit rating pursuant to the following grid:

		LIBOR Rate	Base Rate
Level	Credit Rating	Margin	Margin
Ι	A- / A3 (or higher)	0.900 %	0.000 %
II	BBB+ / Baa1	0.950 %	0.000 %
III	BBB / Baa2	1.100 %	0.100 %
IV	BBB- / Baa3	1.350 %	0.350 %
V	<bbb- baa3<="" td=""><td>1.750 %</td><td>0.750 %</td></bbb->	1.750 %	0.750 %

For purposes of the BAML Credit Facility, base rate means, for any day, a fluctuating rate per annum equal to the highest of: (i) the bank's prime rate for such day, (ii) the Federal Funds Rate for such day, plus 0.50%, and (iii) the one month LIBOR based rate for such day plus 1.00%. As of December 31, 2017, the Company's credit rating from Moody's Investors Service was Baa3.

Although the interest rate on the BAML Credit Facility is variable, the Company fixed the base LIBOR interest rate on the BAML Term Loan by entering into an interest rate swap agreement. On September 27, 2012, the Company entered into an ISDA Master Agreement with Bank of America, N.A. that fixed the base LIBOR interest rate on the BAML Term Loan at 0.75% per annum for five years, until September 27, 2017. On July 22, 2016, the Company entered into ISDA Master Agreements with a group of banks that fixed the base LIBOR interest rate on the BAML Term Loan at 1.12% per annum for the period beginning on September 27, 2017 and ending on September 27, 2021. Accordingly, based upon the Company's credit rating, as of December 31, 2017, the effective interest rate on the BAML Term Loan was 2.47% per annum.

BAML Credit Facility General Information

The BAML Credit Facility contains customary affirmative and negative covenants for credit facilities of this type, including limitations with respect to indebtedness, liens, investments, mergers and acquisitions, disposition of assets, changes in business, certain restricted payments, the requirement to have subsidiaries provide a guaranty in the event that they incur recourse indebtedness and transactions with affiliates. The BAML Credit Facility also contains financial covenants that require the Company to maintain a minimum tangible net worth, a maximum leverage ratio, a maximum secured leverage ratio, a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio, a maximum unencumbered leverage ratio, and minimum unsecured interest coverage. The BAML Credit Facility provides for customary events of default with corresponding grace periods, including failure to pay any principal or interest when due, certain cross defaults and a

change in control of the Company (as defined in the BAML Credit Facility). In the event of a default by the Company, the administrative agent may, and at the request of the requisite number of lenders shall, declare all obligations under the BAML Credit Facility immediately due and payable, terminate the lenders' commitments to make loans under the BAML Credit Facility, and enforce any and all rights of the lenders or administrative agent under the BAML Credit Facility and related documents. For certain events of default related to bankruptcy, insolvency, and receivership, the commitments of lenders will be automatically terminated and all outstanding obligations of the Company will become immediately due and payable. The Company was in compliance with the BAML Credit Facility financial covenants as of December 31, 2017.

The Company may use the proceeds of the loans under the BAML Credit Facility to finance the acquisition of real properties and for other permitted investments; to finance investments associated with Sponsored REITs, to refinance or retire indebtedness and for working capital and other general business purposes, in each case to the extent permitted under the BAML Credit Facility.

Senior Notes

On October 24, 2017, the Company entered into a note purchase agreement (the "Note Purchase Agreement") with the various purchasers named therein (the "Purchasers") in connection with a private placement of senior unsecured notes. Under the Note Purchase Agreement, the Company agreed to sell to the Purchasers an aggregate principal amount of \$200,000,000 of senior unsecured notes consisting of (i) 3.99% Series A Senior Notes due December 20, 2024 in an aggregate principal amount of \$116 million (the "Series A Notes") and (ii) 4.26% Series B Senior Notes due December 20, 2027 in an aggregate principal amount of \$84 million (the "Series B Notes," and, together with the Series A Notes, the "Senior Notes"). On December 20, 2017, the Senior Notes were funded and proceeds were used to reduce the outstanding balance of the BAML Revolver.

The Note Purchase Agreement contains customary financial covenants, including a maximum leverage ratio, a maximum secured leverage ratio, a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio, and a maximum unencumbered leverage ratio. The Note Purchase Agreement also contains restrictive covenants that, among other things, restrict the ability of the Company and its subsidiaries to enter into transactions with affiliates, merge, consolidate, create liens, make certain restricted payments, enter into certain agreements or prepay certain indebtedness. Such financial and restrictive covenants are substantially similar to the corresponding covenants contained in the BAML Credit Facility, the BMO Credit Agreement and the JPM Credit Agreement. The Senior Notes financial covenants require, among other things, the maintenance of a fixed charge coverage ratio of at least 1.50; a maximum leverage ratio and an unsecured leverage ratio of no more than 60% (65% if there were a significant acquisition for a short period of time). In addition, the Note Purchase Agreement provides that the Note Purchase Agreement will automatically incorporate additional financial and other specified covenants (such as limitations on investments and distributions) that are effective from time to time under the Existing Credit Agreements, other material indebtedness or certain other private placements of debt of the Company and its subsidiaries. The Note Purchase Agreement contains customary events of default, including payment defaults, cross defaults with certain other indebtedness, breaches of covenants and bankruptcy events. In the case of an event of default, the Purchasers may, among other remedies, accelerate the payment of all obligations.

## Equity Offering

On August 16, 2016, the Company completed an underwritten public offering of 7,043,750 shares of its common stock (including 918,750 shares issued as a result of the full exercise of an overallotment option by the underwriter) at a price to the public of \$12.35 per share. The proceeds from this public offering, net of underwriter discounts and offering expenses, totaled approximately \$82.9 million.

As of December 31, 2017, we had an automatic shelf registration statement on Form S-3 on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to the offer and sale, from time to time, of an indeterminate amount of our debt securities, common stock, preferred stock or depository shares. In addition, on January 5, 2018, we filed a new automatic shelf registration statement on Form S-3 with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to the offer and sale, from time to time, of an indeterminate amount of our debt securities and Exchange Commission relating to the offer and sale, from time to time, of an indeterminate amount of our debt securities, common stock, preferred stock or

depository shares. From time to time, we expect to issue debt securities, common stock, preferred stock or depository shares under our existing automatic shelf registration statements or a different registration statement to fund the acquisition of additional properties, to pay down any existing debt financing and for other corporate purposes.

Contingencies

From time to time, we may provide financing to Sponsored REITs in the form of a construction loan and/or a revolving line of credit secured by a mortgage. As of December 31, 2017, we were committed to fund up to \$79.5 million to three Sponsored REITs under such arrangements for the purpose of funding construction costs, capital expenditures, leasing costs or for other purposes, of which \$71.7 million has been drawn and is outstanding. We anticipate that advances made under these facilities will be repaid at their maturity date or earlier from long term financings of the underlying properties, cash flows from the underlying properties or another other capital event.

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We may be subject to various legal proceedings and claims that arise in the ordinary course of our business. Although occasional adverse decisions (or settlements) may occur, we believe that the final disposition of such matters will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position or results of operations.

**Related Party Transactions** 

We intend to draw on the BAML Credit Facility in the future for a variety of corporate purposes, including the acquisition of properties that we acquire directly for our portfolio and for Sponsored REIT Loans as described below.

Loans to Sponsored REITs

Sponsored REIT Loans

From time to time we may make secured loans ("Sponsored REIT Loans") to Sponsored REITs in the form of mortgage loans or revolving lines of credit to fund construction costs, capital expenditures, leasing costs and for other purposes. We anticipate that each Sponsored REIT Loan will be repaid at maturity or earlier from long term financings of the underlying properties, cash flows from the underlying properties or some other capital event. Each Sponsored REIT Loan is secured by a mortgage on the underlying property and has a term of approximately two to three years. Except for two mortgage loans which bear interest at a fixed rate, advances under each Sponsored REIT Loan bear interest at a rate equal to the 30-day LIBOR rate plus an agreed upon amount of basis points and advances also require a 50 basis point draw fee.

Our Sponsored REIT Loans subject us to credit risk. However, we believe that our position as asset manager of each of the Sponsored REITs helps mitigate that risk by providing us with unique insight and the ability to rely on qualitative analysis of the Sponsored REITs. Before making a Sponsored REIT Loan, we consider a variety of subjective factors, including the quality of the underlying real estate, leasing, the financial condition of the applicable Sponsored REIT and local and national market conditions. These factors are subject to change and we do not apply a formula or assign relative weights to the factors. Instead, we make a subjective determination after considering such factors collectively.

Additional information about our Sponsored REIT Loans outstanding as of December 31, 2017, including a summary table of our Sponsored REIT Loans, is incorporated herein by reference to Note 3, "Related Party Transactions and Investments in Non-Consolidated Entities - Management fees and interest income from loans", in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in this report.

## Other Considerations

We generally pay the ordinary annual operating expenses of our properties from the rental revenue generated by the properties. For the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively, the rental income exceeded the expenses for each individual property, with the exception of one property located in Minneapolis, Minnesota for the year ended December 31, 2017, and one property located in Houston, Texas during the year ended December 31, 2017.

The property located in Minneapolis, Minnesota has approximately 170,000 square feet of rentable space and became vacant in January 2016. During the first quarter of 2016, we evaluated development and redevelopment opportunities at the property. On March 31, 2016, we commenced a redevelopment plan for the property. As a result of the vacancy, we had no rental income and had operating expenses of \$290,000 during the year ended December 31, 2016 and no rental income and had operating expenses of \$74,000 during the year ended December 31, 2017.

The property located in Houston, Texas has approximately 157,000 square feet of rentable space and became substantially vacant on April 30, 2017 when two tenants vacated 155,000 square feet of space. For the year ended December 31, 2017, rental income covered operating expenses, however for the nine month period of April 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017, we had revenue of \$362,000 and operating expenses of \$1,033,000. For the three months ended December 31, 2017, we had no rental income and operating expenses of \$284,000 at this property.

Rental Income Commitments

Our commercial real estate operations include the leasing of office buildings subject to leases with terms greater than one year. The leases thereon expire at various dates through 2036. Approximate future minimum rental income from non-cancelable operating leases as of December 31, 2017 is:

	Year ending
(in thousands)	December 31,
2018	\$ 180,321
2019	156,530
2020	139,250
2021	121,185
2022	92,803
Thereafter (2023-2036)	244,075
	\$ 934,164

**Contractual Obligations** 

The following table sets forth our contractual obligations as of December 31, 2017:

0 ( ) 1	Payment due by period						
Contractual	(in thousands)						
Obligations	Total	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Thereafter
BAML							
Revolver (1)							
(2)	\$ 96,400	\$ 3,656	\$ 3,656	\$ 3,656	\$ 3,656	\$ 3,656	\$ 78,120
JPM Term							
Loan (1) (3)	154,083	154,083	—		—	—	
BAML Term							
Loan (1) (4)	452,023	9,880	9,880	9,880	10,343	11,657	400,383
BMO Term							
Loan (1) (5)	243,187	8,734	8,734	225,719	-		
Series A							
Notes (1)	143,642	4,628	4,628	4,628	4,628	4,628	120,502
Series B							
Notes (1)	119,674	3,578	3,578	3,578	3,578	3,578	101,784
Operating							
Lease	2,891	404	412	421	429	438	787

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Total	\$ 1,211,900	\$ 184,963	\$ 30,888	\$ 247,882	\$ 22,634	\$ 23,957	\$ 701,576

- (1) Amounts include principal and interest payments.
- (2) Interest payments were estimated based on the variable rate in effect as of December 31, 2017, which was at an annual rate of 2.76% plus a facility fee calculated as 0.0025% of the \$600 million available to be drawn.
- (3) Interest payments were estimated based on the variable rate in effect as of December 31, 2017, which was at an annual rate of 2.98%.
- (4) The BAML Term Loan has an interest rate swap with an effective interest rate of 2.47% per annum as of December 31, 2017, which was used for estimating interest. The swap expires on September 27, 2021. Interest payments between September 27, 2021 and maturity were estimated based on the variable rate in effect as of December 31, 2017, which was at an annual rate of 2.91%.
- (5) The BMO Term Loan has an interest rate swap with an effective interest rate of 2.32% per annum as of December 31, 2017, which was used for estimating interest. The swap expires on August 26, 2020, the maturity date of the BMO Term Loan.

The operating lease in the table above consists of our lease of corporate office space, which commenced September 1, 2010, and was amended on October 25, 2016. The amended lease expires on September 30, 2024 and has one five year renewal option. The lease includes a base annual rent and additional rent for our share of taxes and operating costs.

In addition to the amounts in the table above, from time to time, we may provide Sponsored REIT Loans to our Sponsored REITs. As of December 31, 2017, we were committed to fund Sponsored REIT Loans up to \$79.5 million to three Sponsored REITs, of which \$71.7 million in the aggregate was drawn and outstanding. Additional information about our Sponsored REIT Loans outstanding as of December 31, 2017, including a summary table of our Sponsored

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REIT Loans, is incorporated herein by reference to Note 3, "Related Party Transactions and Investments in Non-Consolidated Entities - Management fees and interest income from loans", in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in this report.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

Investments in Sponsored REITs

Previously we operated in the investment banking segment, and in December 2011, we discontinued those activities. The investment banking segment involved the structuring of real estate investments and broker/dealer services that included the organization of Sponsored REITs, the acquisition and development of real estate on behalf of Sponsored REITs and the raising of capital to equitize the Sponsored REITs through sale of preferred stock in private placements. On December 15, 2011, we announced that our broker/dealer subsidiary, FSP Investments LLC, would no longer sponsor the syndication of shares of preferred stock in newly-formed Sponsored REITs. On July 15, 2014, FSP Investments LLC withdrew its registration as a broker/dealer with FINRA.

The Sponsored REITs own real estate, purchases of which were financed through the private placement of equity in those entities, typically through syndication. These Sponsored REITs are operated in a manner intended to qualify as real estate investment trusts. We earned fees related to the sale of preferred stock in the Sponsored REITs in these syndications. The Sponsored REITs issued both common stock and preferred stock. The common stock is owned by FSP Corp. Generally the preferred stock is owned by unaffiliated investors, however, we currently hold an interest in preferred shares of two Sponsored REITs. In addition, directors and officers of FSP Corp., have from time to time invested in Sponsored REITs. Following consummation of the offerings, the preferred stockholders in each of the Sponsored REITs were entitled to 100% of the Sponsored REIT's cash distributions. Subsequent to the completion of the offering of preferred shares, except for the preferred stock we own, we do not share in any of the Sponsored REIT's earnings, or any related dividend, and the common stock ownership interests have virtually no economic benefit or risk.

As a common stockholder, we have no rights to the Sponsored REIT's earnings or any related cash distributions. However, upon liquidation of a Sponsored REIT, we are entitled to our percentage interest as a common stockholder in any proceeds remaining after the preferred stockholders have recovered their investment. Our common stock percentage interest in each Sponsored REIT is less than 1%. The affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the Sponsored REIT's preferred stockholders is required for any actions involving merger, sale of property, amendment to charter or issuance of additional capital stock. In addition, all of the Sponsored REITs allow the holders of more than 50% of the outstanding preferred shares to remove (without cause) and replace one or more members of that Sponsored REIT's board of directors.

We have acquired a preferred stock interest in three Sponsored REITs, including one that sold the property owned by it on December 20, 2012 and made a liquidating distribution to us, one we acquired on May 15, 2008 by cash merger and another we acquired on April 30, 2006 by merger. As a result of our common stock interest and our preferred stock interest in the remaining two Sponsored REITs, we exercise influence over, but do not control these entities. These preferred share investments are accounted for using the equity method. Under the equity method of accounting our cost basis is adjusted by our share of the Sponsored REITs' operations and distributions received. We also agreed to vote our preferred shares in any matter presented to a vote by the stockholders of these Sponsored REITs in the same proportion as shares voted by other stockholders of the Sponsored REITs.

At December 31, 2017, 2016 and 2015, we held a common stock interest in 6, 7 and 9 Sponsored REITs, respectively, all of which were fully syndicated and in which we no longer share economic benefit or risk.

From time to time, we may provide Sponsored REIT Loans to our Sponsored REITs. As of December 31, 2017, we were committed to fund Sponsored REIT Loans up to \$79.5 million to three Sponsored REITs, of which \$71.7 million in the aggregate was drawn and outstanding. Additional information about our Sponsored REIT Loans outstanding as of December 31, 2017, including a summary table of our Sponsored REIT Loans, is incorporated herein by reference to Note 3, "Related Party Transactions and Investments in Non-Consolidated Entities - Management fees and interest income from loans", in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in this report.

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Item 7A.Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

Market Rate Risk

We are exposed to changes in interest rates primarily from our floating rate borrowing arrangements. We use interest rate derivative instruments to manage exposure to interest rate changes. As of December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, if market rates on our outstanding borrowings under our BAML Revolver increased by 10% at maturity, or approximately 29 and 21 basis points, respectively, over the current variable rate, the increase in interest expense would decrease future earnings and cash flows by \$0.7 million and \$0.9 million annually, respectively. Based upon our credit rating, the interest rate on the BAML Revolver as of December 31, 2017 was LIBOR plus 120 basis points, or 2.76% per annum. Based upon our credit rating, the interest rate on the JPM Term Loan as of December 31, 2017 was the Eurodollar Rate plus 135 basis points, or 2.98% per annum. We do not believe that the interest rate risk on the BAML Revolver and the JPM Term Loan is material as of December 31, 2017.

Although the interest rates on the BMO Term Loan and the BAML Term Loan are variable, the Company fixed the base LIBOR interest rates on the BMO Term Loan and the BAML Term Loan by entering into interest rate swap agreements. On July 22, 2016, the Company entered into ISDA Master Agreements with a group of banks that fixed the base LIBOR interest rate on the BAML Term Loan at 1.12% per annum for the period beginning September 27, 2017 and ending September 27, 2021 (the "2017 BAML Interest Rate Swap"). On September 27, 2012, the Company entered into an ISDA Master Agreement with Bank of America, N.A. that fixed the base LIBOR interest rate on the BAML Term Loan at 0.75% per annum until September 27, 2017 (the "BAML Interest Rate Swap"). On August 26, 2013, the Company entered into an ISDA Master Agreement with Bank of Montreal that fixed the base LIBOR interest rate on the BMO Term Loan at 2.32% per annum until August 26, 2020 (the "BMO Interest Rate Swap"). Accordingly, based upon our credit rating, as of December 31, 2017, the interest rate on the BMO Term Loan was 3.97% per annum and the interest rate on the BAML Term Loan was 2.47% per annum. The fair value of the 2017 Interest Rate Swap and the BMO Interest Rate Swap are affected by changes in market interest rates. We believe that we have mitigated interest rate risk with respect to the BAML Term Loan through the 2017 Interest Rate Swap from September 27, 2017 until September 27, 2021. We believe we have mitigated interest rate risk with respect to the BMO Term Loan through the BMO Interest Rate Swap until August 26, 2020. The 2017 Interest Rate Swap and the BMO Interest Rate Swap were our only derivative instruments as of December 31, 2017.

The table below lists our derivative instruments, which are hedging variable cash flows related to interest on our BMO Term Loan and our BAML Term Loan as of December 31, 2017 (in thousands):

(in thousands)	Notional	Strike	Effective	Expiration	Fair
	Value	Rate	Date	Date	Value
2017 Interest Rate Swap	\$ 400,000	1.12 %	Sep-17	Sep-21	\$ 13,925

BMO Interest Rate Swap \$ 220,000 2.32 % Aug-13 Aug-20 \$ (1,759)

Our BMO Term Loan and our BAML Term Loan hedging transactions used derivative instruments that involve certain additional risks such as counterparty credit risk, the enforceability of hedging contracts and the risk that unanticipated and significant changes in interest rates will cause a significant loss of basis in either or both of the contracts. We require our derivatives contracts to be with counterparties that have investment grade ratings. The counterparties to the 2017 Interest Rate Swap are a group of banks and the counterparty to the BMO Interest Rate Swap is Bank of Montreal, all of which have investment grade ratings. As a result, we do not anticipate that either counterparty will fail to meet its obligations. However, there can be no assurance that we will be able to adequately protect against the foregoing risks or that we will ultimately realize an economic benefit that exceeds the related amounts incurred in connection with engaging in such hedging strategies.

The Company's derivatives are recorded at fair value in other liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets, the effective portion of the derivatives' fair value is recorded to other comprehensive income in the consolidated statements of other comprehensive income (loss) and the ineffective portion of the derivatives' fair value is recognized directly into earnings as other in the consolidated statements of income.

The interest rate swaps effectively fix the interest rate on the BAML Term Loan and BMO Term Loan; however, prior to October 18, 2017, there was no floor on the variable interest rate of the swap whereas the BAML Term Loan and BMO Term Loan were subject to a zero percent floor. As a result there was a mismatch and the ineffective portion of the derivatives' changes in fair value were recognized directly into earnings. On October 18, 2017, the Company amended the BMO Term Loan and BAML Term Loan to, among other changes, provide that the deemed zero percent interest rate floor is not applicable to any loan where there is a corresponding interest rate swap contract in place.