# Fixed Income Investor Update

February 2024



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## **Portfolio Overview**



## Getting to the Core

#### **REIT Privatisation**

- In March 2022, Iris Acquisition II LP acquired Cominar Real Estate Investment Trust for \$11.75 per unit and introduced a robust business plan
- The implied enterprise value was \$5.7B at the time of acquisition with \$3.6B of property sold simultaneously to Pure Industrial (\$2.1B / industrial) and Group Mach (\$1.5B / office and retail)
- The retained portfolio of \$2.4B consisted of (~80%) marquee retail or mixed-use assets with development upside and the balance (~20%) consisted of suburban office and non-core retail in Montreal, Ottawa, Gatineau, and Quebec City
- Shortly after closing the transaction, economic conditions changed leading the Bank of Canada to increase interest rates by 475 bps within 18 months

#### **Business Plan**

- Against the backdrop of difficult capital market conditions, a two-pronged approach to achieve liquidity was implemented by offering the consortium of investors a public-to-private arbitrage:
  - The disposition of non-core assets through individual and portfolio transactions; and
  - The rapid entitlement/value creation initiatives for properties with residential development upside





## Key Proximity to Transit Infrastructure

A portfolio of core properties situated on transit hubs ripe for residential densification and unique mixed-use placemaking opportunities

>95%
Public Transit

Core properties are within a 5–10-minute walk of public transit

Neighborhoods

Growing and high demand locations with assets well-integrated into communities' urban fabric

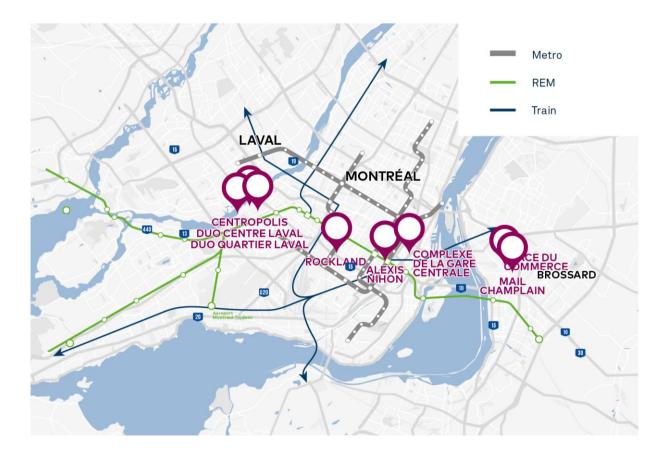
400k

Population

Average population density within a 5-km radius of each core property

>1%

Avg. Net Migration The Greater Montreal Region will be one of the greatest benefactors of Canada's immigration policies, building on an existing culturally diverse population with 4.4 students per 100 households across 7 universities

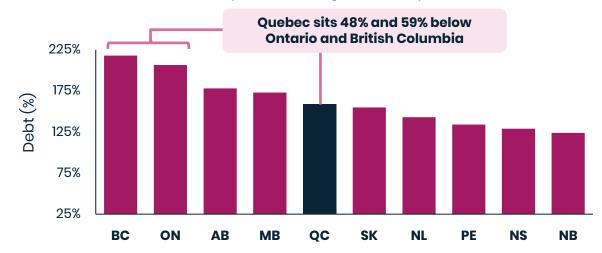




## A Strong and Stable Economy

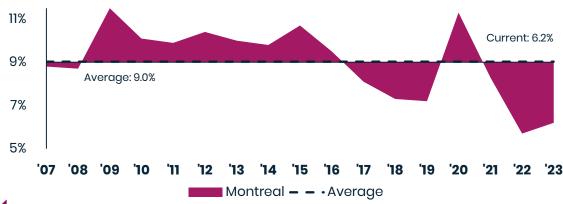
#### Household Debt as a Share of Disposable Income

Quebec residents are less exposed to rising rates compared to ON and BC



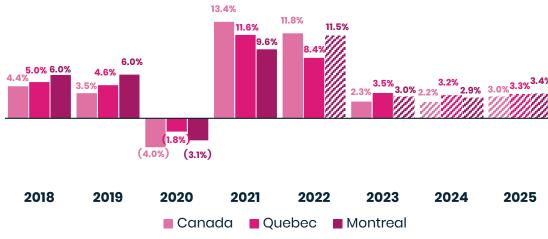
#### Montreal's Unemployment Rate Trending Down

Unemployment well below long-term average bodes well for real estate



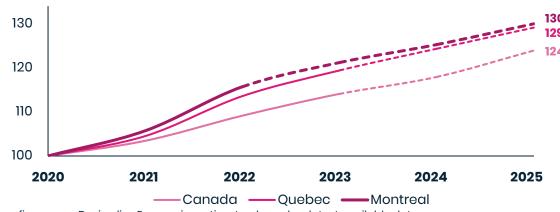
#### Moderate Nominal GDP Annual Growth

A stable economy with moderate growth expectations in Canada



#### Solid Nominal Disposable Income Growth

Increasing disposable income allows for higher rental rate absorption





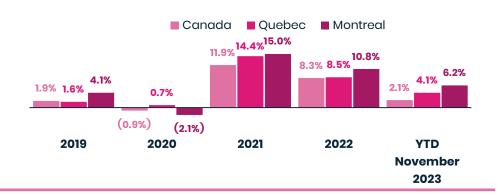
Note: 2022 Montréal and 2023 – 2025 nominal GDP annual growth as well as disposable income figures are Desjardins Economics estimates; based on latest available data. Sources: StatsCan, Institut de la du Québec and Desjardins Economics.

## A Strengthening Retail Market

#### **Robust Sales Growth**

Montreal's retail sector continues to outshine provincial and national sales

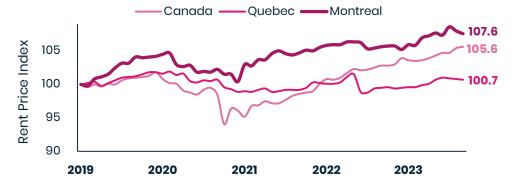
**6.2%**YoY Retail Sales Growth



### **Rents Rebounding**

Improving retail fundamentals driving rental growth

107.6
Retail Rents Indexed<sup>2</sup>



#### **Sustained Resilience**

Cap rates have been remarkably stable despite rising interest rates

**6.7%**Average Retail Cap Rate<sup>2</sup>





<sup>.</sup> Comparable YoY analysis of 2022 YTD and 2023 YTD retail sales figures.

<sup>2.</sup> As of September 30, 2023.

## **Portfolio Overview**

Current portfolio consists primarily of centrally located core properties in the Greater Montreal Region

Asset Name	City	Asset Class	Total Area (SF)
Gare Centrale	Montreal	Mixed-Use	1,731,470
Alexis Nihon	Montreal	Mixed-Use	1,313,198
Centropolis	Laval	Mixed-Use	788,695
Centre Laval	Laval	Retail	691,459
Mail Champlain	Brossard	Retail	676,235
Centre Rockland	Montreal	Retail	621,292
Galeries Rive-Nord	Repentigny	Retail	535,723
Place du Commerce	Brossard	Office	298,470
Galeries de Hull	Gatineau	Retail	271,615
Quartier Laval	Laval	Retail	265,087
Subtotal Core Properties			7,193,245
Non-Core Properties			2,262,755
Total Portfolio <sup>1</sup>			9,456,000

# Core Properties \$1.6B

Q3 2023 Book Value

**\$99M**Trailing Twelve Month NOI

# Non-Core Properties

\$0.3B

Q3 2023 Book Value

**\$21M** 

**Trailing Twelve Month NOI** 

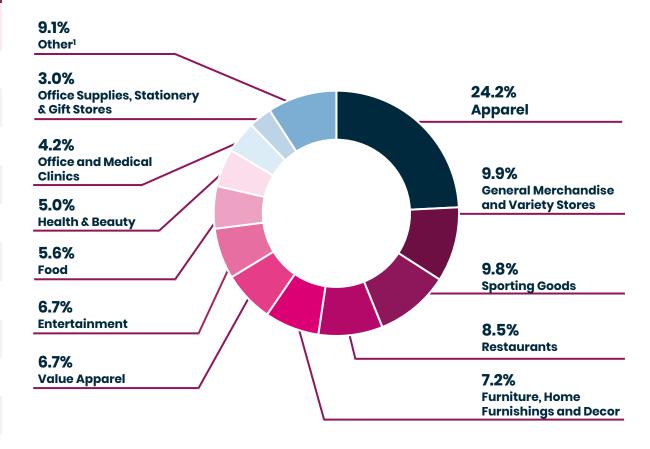


## **Resilient Portfolio | Core Properties**

Strong office and retail anchor tenants provide a curated and diversified tenant base

Top 10 Tenant Profile								
Tenant	Category	WALT	% of Total GLA	% of Total ABR				
	Industrials	3.0	7.3	11.0				
© CDPQ Infra	Infrastructure	43.0	12.8	7.6				
WINNERS	Apparel	3.3	1.8	1.6				
SHOPPERS DRUG MART	Health & Beauty	4.5	0.6	1.4				
HBC	Apparel	5.7	5.5	1.1				
sports experts	Sporting Goods	4.0	1.4	1.1				
DECATHLON	Sporting Goods	5.5	1.8	1.0				
Sobey: 💠	Food	10.0	0.9	1.0				
CINEPLEX	Entertainment	6.0	1.3	1.0				
DOLLARAMA (s)	General Merchandise	5.4	0.9	0.8				

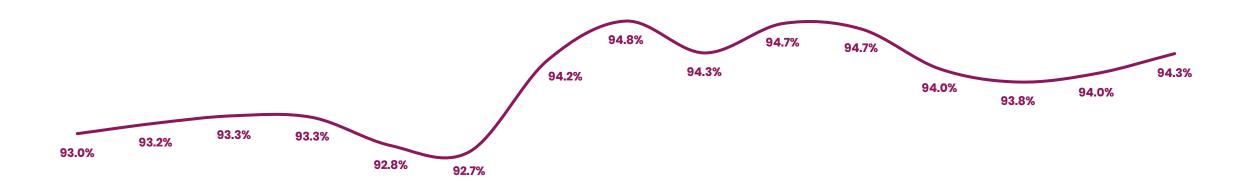
#### **Retail Tenant Category Exposure**





<sup>(1)</sup> Other includes bank and financial services, electronics, government and para-government institutions, other services and jewelry Note: As of September 30, 2023

## Committed Occupancy | Core Portfolio



43% | 47% | 10%

Retail GLA | Office GLA | Infrastructure GLA

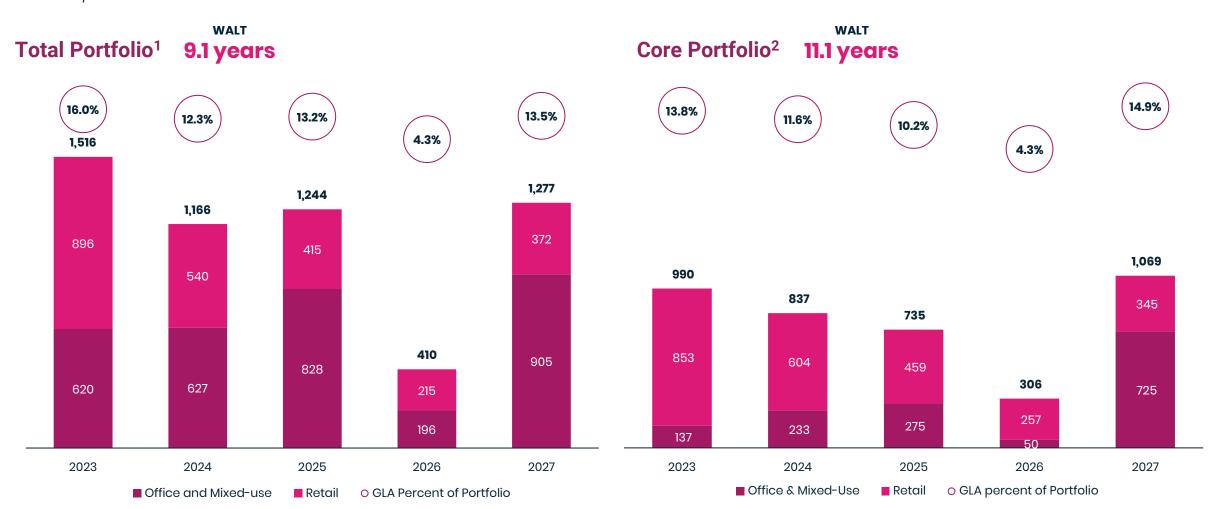
Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
2020	2020	2020	2020	2021	2021	2021	2021	2022	2022	2022	2022	2023	2023	2023

—Total Occupancy



## **Lease Maturities**

In 000s square feet





As of September 30, 2023 . As of February 10, 2024

## Case Study | Galeries Rive-Nord



- Cominar increased the NOI by \$1.4M and the WALT to 7 years in 2023 by renewing ~65K SF of retail space across multiple tenants:
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of SEARS 2-storey box was redeveloped into 53K SF of office space, with most of the floor leased to GBI, an engineering firm (leases for the remainder of space is currently being finalized)
  - After Toys "R" Us 35K SF vacated, the space was subdivided into two units, with Avril Supermarché Santé leasing 25K SF with the remained space presently under negotiations
- Prior leasing initiatives:
  - Walmart, represents 25% of the mall's total GLA, renovated in 2019, adding a large full-service grocery section
  - Sports Experts (Atmosphere) relocated and expanded from 17K SF to 35K SF in 2020, with Dollarama taking over Sports Experts' previous space, increasing their GLA from 7K SF to 18K SF
- Tenant list includes Boulangerie Ange, a specialty bakery, that attracts customers to the site before/after opening hours as well as two popular restaurants, Allô Mon Coco and La Belle et la Boeuf

















Galeries Rive-Nord offers an attractive mix of retail brands and services that drive regular traffic to the site













**Project Description** 

In 2023, Cominar welcomed Avril Supermarché Santé (25,230 SF) to backfill an obsolete space that was vacated by Toys-R-Us. This addition strengthened our strategic vision of offering essential services in our retail portfolio.

Cumulative Project Cost Incremental NOI

Cash-on-Cash Return

\$5.5M

\$250K / Year

~13%



## Case Study | Alexis-Nihon













Cominar is well positioned to create value at Alexis Nihon's 426-unit residential component and capitalize on favorable market tailwinds leaving an insufficient housing supply in Montreal set against increasing rates of immigration. With a strategic renovation program in-place, Cominar plans to renovate ± 40 units per year.

**Average Renovation Cost** 

\$60K / Unit

Rental Increase

~35%

Return on Investment<sup>1</sup>

~35%

~125%





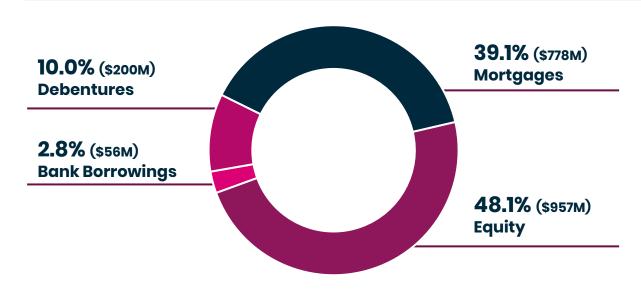


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# **Financial Position**



## **Capital Structure**



#### **Covenant Performance**

Debentures	Covenant	Q3-2023	Q4-2022
Net Debt Ratio <sup>1</sup>	<65%	50.2%	46.0%
Unitholder's Equity	>\$500M	\$957M	\$1,227M
Interest Coverage Ratio <sup>1</sup>	>1.65x	2.01x	2.22x



BB (High)

DBRS

Credit Rating

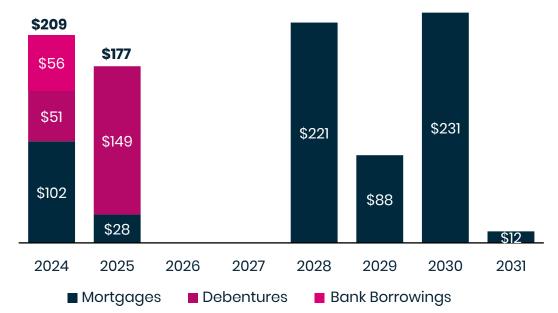
**19.3%**Unsecured Debt-to-Total-Debt Ratio<sup>1</sup>

**\$80.1M**Total Liquidity

**1.52x**Debt Service
Coverage Ratio<sup>1</sup>

**5.05%**Weighted Average
Interest Rate on
Total Debt<sup>1</sup>

#### **Debt Maturities**





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# Management Team & Sponsors



## Management and Leadership Team



Mario D. Morroni President and Chief Executive Officer

Mario has over 30 years' experience in the financial, investment, and real estate sectors as well as the management and administration of pension plans



Claude Lavigne Chief Operating Officer

Claude has extensive real estate experience in all asset classes and in various specialities, including valuation, asset management, and investment





**Adam Medeiros** 

Chief Investment Officer

 Adam has more than 12 years of experience in Commercial Real Estate having acted as a broker, advisor and landlord across all sectors



Marie-Andrée Boutin

Chief Development and Real Estate Operations Officer

· Marie has vast retail expertise having worked in key roles defining retail strategies including leasing, development and digital environment adaptation





Sandra Lécuyer Chief Culture and Brand Officer



Marie-Josée Lapierre Vice President, Legal Affairs and **Corporate Secretary** 





Sébastien Dubois Vice President, Retail Leasing



**Carl Pepin** Vice President, Finance and Accounting





Julie Lafrenière Vice President, Development



Serge Rossignol Vice President, Operations

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## **Sponsorship Overview**



- Six years of involvement in Cominar, including Board representation with deep knowledge of the Cominar portfolio
- Multi-strategy investment company based out of Greenwich, Connecticut
- Focus on value-oriented investments across both public and private markets with significant experience within the broader real estate sectors, including an accomplished track record in the Canadian market

#### **(≡)** Canderel

- Canderel is one of Canada's largest privately held real estate companies. It was founded in 1975 by Jonathan Wener and has since grown from its base in Montréal to seven offices across Canada
- Canderel owns and manages a real estate portfolio of more than 30 million square feet in Canada's seven major markets – Québec City, Montréal, Ottawa, Toronto, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver. Its 650 real estate professionals have executed more than \$20 billion in acquisitions, developments and management projects



- Artis is a diversified Canadian real estate investment trust with a portfolio of industrial, office and retail properties in Canada and the United States
- Artis' vision is to build a best-in-class asset management and investment platform focused on growing net asset value per unit and distributions for investors through value investing in real estate



# The Future Cominar



## Sample Densification Projects

















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