## Evolution of Regional Malls- Repurposing of Anchor Department Stores and Malls

## Description:

The history of regional malls and anchor department stores began with the opening of the two-level, fully enclosed Southdale Mall in Edina, Minnesota in1956. The subsequent long-term growth of the mall concept was driven by post-World War II suburban developments that drew the population from the inner cities. Eventually, the mall and department store markets became overbuilt.

In the 1990s, malls and department stores struggled due to competition from the emergence of online sales. Competition also came from single-tenant, big-box discount stores, like Walmart, Kohl's, and Target, among others, and neighborhood and community open-air strip centers.

As the number of malls and traditional anchor department stores declined, redevelopment scenarios grew in numbers and include total or partial demolition of the mall's improvements, reuse of the land for other uses, and/or reuse of vacant anchor space.

Pricing methodology research for obsolete malls and anchors reveals varied techniques but mostly rely on double-digit capitalization rates.

Often assessors avoid the concept of double-digit cap rates and over assess malls. The solution covered in the presentation is detailed comparable sale identification and verification of the important characteristics of the comparables to effectively compare to the subject property to arrive at a fair market-based assessment.

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