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LAS VEGAS | MEDICAL OFFICE Q3 2016

Medical Office Strikes Back

- > Southern Nevada's medical office market registered its first positive net absorption in five quarters
- > Vacancy dropped to 17 percent
- > Asking rates also turned around, posting a moderate increase

After four quarters of mounting negative net absorption, Southern Nevada's medical office market made an abrupt turn into positive territory. Net absorption rebounded in the third quarter of 2016, reaching 54,493 square feet. This brought vacancy down to 17 percent, a 0.7 point drop from one quarter ago, but still 0.7 points higher than one year ago. The weighted average asking rental rate increased to \$2.16 per square foot (psf) on a full service gross (FSG) basis, a \$0.02 increase over last quarter.



"The third quarter of 2016 offered a pleasant change of course for the medical office market ..."

Economic Indicators



Market Indicators

| Relative to prior period | Q3 2016 | Q4 2016* |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| VACANCY | + | + |
| NET ABSORPTION | | • |
| COMPLETIONS | $ \Longleftrightarrow $ | $ \Longleftrightarrow $ |
| RENTAL RATE | 1 | 1 |
| *Projected | | |

Summary Statistics

| Q3 2016 Las Vegas Market | Q3-2015 | Q2-2016 | Q3-2016 |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Vacancy Rate | 16.3% | 17.7% | 17.0% |
| Asking Rent (PSF, NNN) | \$2.18 | \$2.14 | \$2.16 |
| Net Absorption (SF) | -6,806 | -55,020 | 54,493 |
| New Completions (SF) | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Overall Asking Rents

| Per Square Foot | | | |
|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Class A | \$2.59 | \$2.58 | \$2.55 |
| Class B | \$2.25 | \$2.21 | \$2.22 |
| Class C | \$1.78 | \$1.78 | \$1.82 |

Historical Vacancy Rates and Rental Rates

According to the Nevada Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation, Southern Nevada's medical office job market improved in July 2016 (the latest month of data available) compared with July 2015, adding approximately 4,500 jobs in the past twelve months. This does not include jobs at hospitals. Employment that directly impacted medical office projects increased by approximately 1,100 jobs. The medical sector has seen strong job growth for many quarters without that growth impacting demand for medical office space. This quarter, the medical office might have finally caught up with that job growth. Unemployment in the Las Vegas-Paradise MSA stood at 6.7 percent as of July 2016, down from 7.1 percent in July 2015. From July 2015 to July 2016, total employment in Southern Nevada has increased by 27,000 jobs.

According to the Nevada Department of Taxation, taxable spending on ambulatory health care services in Clark County in the second quarter of 2016 (the most recent quarter of data) totaled \$21.1 million dollars. This represented a 22 percent year-over-year increase in spending. Spending on ambulatory health care appeared to be levelling off in late 2015 and early 2016 until the second quarter's jump. On the downside, it is unclear how much of this increase in taxable spending is due to more healthcare being purchased versus how much that healthcare costs.

The last time medical office space was completed in Southern Nevada was during the second quarter of 2015, when 16,000 square feet was added to inventory. When the new Henderson Hospital at Union Village is completed, which should be very soon, development of 150,000 square feet of medical office and 190,000 square feet of retail space will follow, though this could still be 12-18 months away. A 211,000 square foot Class A medical office building is now under construction at Cimarron Road and Tenaya Way, and should be completed in 2017. Several new small hospitals for urgent or emergency care are planned in the valley, including the 100,000 square foot Southern Hills Emergency Hospital at Desert Inn & Fort Apache, and four small hospitals being developed by Dignity Health at Craig & Camino Al Norte, Blue Diamond & Decatur, Flamingo & I-215 and Decatur & Sahara.

Vacancy in medical office space decreased in the third quarter of 2016 to 17 percent, a decrease of 0.7 points from the second quarter of 2016, but an increase of 0.7 points from one year ago. This quarter's decrease in vacancy was the first such decrease in four quarters, despite growth in health care-related jobs and spending, and hopefully signals a return to a more normal pattern of growth.

The highest vacancy rates in the third quarter of 2016 were in the Southwest (32.7 percent), North Las Vegas (20.9 percent) and Airport (20.2 percent) submarkets. The lowest vacancy rate is now in Downtown (10.4 percent), followed by East Las Vegas and Henderson at 14.7 percent. Vacancy decreased in Downtown, East Las Vegas and the Southwest, with the largest decrease occurring in the Downtown submarket. Vacancy increased in Henderson, West Central and Northwest, and remained stable in Airport and North Las Vegas.

Historical Net Absorption vs. Completions



Healthcare Jobs vs. Occupancy Rate



Southern Nevada's medical office market saw some positive growth in early 2015, but this growth turned negative during the four quarters between the third quarter of 2015 and the second quarter of 2016. This means that this quarter's positive net absorption is the first growth the market has seen in a year. The 2015/2016 1.4-point increase in vacancy occurred at the same time the Valley added over 1,000 ambulatory healthcare jobs and ambulatory healthcare spending increased by 4.7 percent.

The disconnect between job and spending growth and demand for medical office space can be tied to changes in which healthcare is being delivered, and these changes will continue to plague the market for years to come. In the first place, consolidation within the medical profession, coupled with more efficient space use, is decreasing the amount of space occupied by medical office users. Even when medical users are growing their practices, they may not be growing the size of their office. On top of that, medical practitioners have found it possible to use non-medical office space, such as in professional office buildings and retail centers, for their practices. Both of these factors have hurt demand for medical office space for the past decade. Since 2006, Southern Nevada's medical office market has lost 151,000 square feet of occupancy, while at the same time adding 10,600 ambulatory health care jobs.

The lowest average asking rate for medical office space was in the West Central submarket, at \$1.78 psf, followed by North Las Vegas at \$1.80 psf. The Valley's highest asking rate was in Northwest, at \$2.41 psf, followed by Henderson at \$2.34 psf. Lease rates increased this quarter in Downtown, East Las Vegas and West Central, and decreased in Henderson, North Las Vegas, Northwest and Southwest. It is worth noting that decreases in vacancy in Downtown and East Las Vegas were accompanied by increases in the weighted average asking rates in those submarkets; this suggests that the occupancy of less expensive space was indeed a factor in the increase of the Valley's average asking rate in the third quarter.

Investment sales volume of medical office so far in 2016 amounted to \$9.9 million in three sales totaling 90,000 square feet, with an average sales price of \$110.12 per square foot. These buildings had an average cap rate of 6.8 percent. For comparison's sake, investment sales volume in 2015 was almost \$80 million.

Owner/user sales volume of medical office space so far in 2016 was \$6.1 million in five sales totaling 23,893 square feet. The average sales price was \$255.70. For comparison's sake, owner/user sales volume in 2015 was \$40.9 million in twelve sales totaling 120,543 square feet, with an average sales price of \$339.03.

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- John Stater, Research & GIS Manager

The weighted average asking rental rate for medical office space in the third quarter of 2016 was \$2.16 per square foot (psf) on a full service gross (FSG) basis. Asking rents in the third quarter of 2016 were \$0.02 psf higher than one quarter ago and \$0.02 lower than one year ago. The decrease in asking rents experienced last quarter was not surprising, given the weak demand for medical office over the past year. The increase that occurred this quarter may be as much due to less expensive space leaving the market as it was due to actual asking rent increases.

The third quarter of 2016 offered a pleasant change of course for the medical office market, replacing four quarters of negative net absorption with positive net absorption. While the four quarter slide was certainly not good for the market, it was fortunately not quite enough to erase the two strong growth quarters that occurred in early 2015, which means that the medical office market is in better shape now than it was two years ago. In medical office's favor is the continued growth in healthcare employment and maybe the growth in healthcare spending in Southern Nevada. Even if not all of that growth is filtering into medical office buildings, this should help improve demand for medical office space in the long run.



Significant Lease Activity

| Property Name | Lease Date | Lease Term | Size | Lease Rate | Tenant |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------------|
| 1330 Valley View | Jul 2016 | 126 months | 18,100 SF | \$1.69 NNN | Physicians |
| Durango Medical Plaza | Jul 2016 | 136 months | 6,900 SF | \$1.86 NNN | Fertility Center |
| Siena Pavilion | Apr 2016 | 36 months | 4,200 SF | \$1.29 NNN | Physicians |
| Seven Hills Medical Center | Feb 2016 | 60 months | 2,400 SF | \$1.08 NNN | Management |
| Sunrise Medical Towers | Jul 2016 | 36 months | 1,300 SF | \$2.06 MG | Sleep Center |

| | Market | Comparisons - | Las | Vegas |
|--|--------|---------------|-----|-------|
|--|--------|---------------|-----|-------|

Medical Office Market

| TYPE | TOTAL INVENTORY SF | DIRECT VACANT SF | DIRECT VACANCY RATE | SUBLEASE VACANT SF | TOTAL VACANT SF | VACANCY RATE CURRENT QUARTER | VACANCY RATE PRIOR QUARTER | NET ABSORPTION CURRENT QTR SF | NET ABSORPTION YTD SF | COMPLETIONS CURRENT QTR SF | COMPLETIONS YTD SF | UNDER ONSTRUCTION CO SF | PLANNED ONSTRUCTION SF | WEIGHTED AVG ASKING RENTAL RATE |
|----------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| AIRPORT | T SUBMARKET | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| А | - | - | n/a | - | - | n/a | n/a | - | - | - | - | - | - | \$- |
| B | - | - | n/a | - | - | n/a | n/a | - | - E 000 | - | - | - | - | \$- ¢1.00 |
| C Total | 38,000 38,000 | 7,690 7,690 | 20.2% 20.2% | - | 7,690 7,690 | 20.2% 20.2% | 20.2% 20.2% | - | 5,000 5,000 | - | - | - | - | \$1.92 \$1.92 |
| | OWN SUBMARKE | | | | ., | | | | -, | | | | | |
| А | 65,000 | - | 0.0% | - | - | 0.0% | 0.0% | - | - | - | - | - | - | \$- |
| В | 227,301 | 25,293 | 11.1% | - | 25,293 | 11.1% | 34.6% | 53,445 | 1,733 | - | - | - | - | \$2.28 |
| С | 86,997 | 13,976 | 16.1% | - | 13,976 | 16.1% | 5.8% | (8,958) | (8,958) | - | - | - | - | \$1.60 |
| Total | 379,298 | 39,269 | 10.4% | - | 39,269 | 10.4% | 22.1% | 44,487 | (7,225) | - | - | - | - | \$2.04 |
| EAST LA | AS VEGAS SUBM | ARKET | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| A | - | - | n/a | - | - | n/a | n/a | - | - | - | - | - | - | \$- |
| B C | 669,264 629,240 | 143,466 47,638 | 21.4% 7.6% | - | 143,466 47,638 | 21.4% 7.6% | 21.1% 14.2% | (2,173) 41,553 | 11,230 49,681 | - | - | - | - | \$2.01 \$1.72 |
| Total | 1,298,504 | 191,104 | 14.7% | - | 191,104 | 14.7% | 14.2 % | 39,380 | 60,911 | | - | - | - | \$1.72 |
| | SON SUBMARKE | | 1 | | 171,101 | 11170 | 1111/0 | 07,000 | 00,711 | | | | | +1.71 |
| A | 421,834 | 47,080 | 11.2% | - | 47,080 | 11.2% | 11.1% | -296 | 5,831 | - | - | - | 80,000 | \$2.92 |
| В | 320,925 | 110,100 | 34.3% | 2,515 | 112,615 | 35.1% | 25.0% | -32,500 | (53,090) | - | - | - | - | \$2.17 |
| С | 604,216 | 41,146 | 6.8% | - | 41,146 | 6.8% | 7.9% | 3,084 | 3,027 | - | - | 27,000 | - | \$2.14 |
| Total | 1,346,975 | 198,326 | 14.7% | 2,515 | 200,841 | 14.9% | 13.0% | (29,712) | (44,232) | - | - | 27,000 | 80,000 | \$2.34 |
| NORTH L | LAS VEGAS SUB | MARKET | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| А | - | - | n/a | - | - | n/a | n/a | - | - | - | - | - | - | \$- |
| В | 43,921 | 10,929 | 24.9% | - | 10,929 | 24.9% | 24.9% | - | (5,129) | - | - | - | - | \$1.00 |
| C Total | 158,867 202,788 | 31,525 42,454 | 19.8% 20.9% | - | 31,525 42,454 | 19.8% 20.9% | 19.8% 20.9% | - | (9,625) (14,754) | - | - | - | - | \$2.08 \$1.80 |
| | VEST SUBMARKE | | 20.770 | | 42,434 | 20.770 | 20.770 | | (14,7547 | | | | | 91.00 |
| | | | 14 50/ | 12.244 | 145 170 | 10.00/ | 17.60/ | (4.002) | 25 4 5 4 | | | 90.251 | | ¢0 E1 |
| A B | 807,173 1,031,717 | 132,832 159,055 | 16.5% 15.4% | 12,346 | 145,178 159,055 | 18.0% 15.4% | 17.4% 14.6% | (4,992) (8,642) | 25,656 (33,813) | - | - | 80,251 | - | \$2.51 \$2.38 |
| C | 202,434 | 10,353 | 5.1% | - | 10,353 | 5.1% | 6.1% | 2,050 | (33,0137 | - | - | - | - | \$1.50 |
| Total | 2,041,324 | 302,240 | 14.8% | 12,346 | 314,586 | 15.4% | 14.8% | (11,584) | (8,157) | - | - | 80,251 | - | \$2.41 |
| SOUTHV | VEST SUBMARKE | ΞT | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| А | 115,300 | 41,614 | 36.1% | - | 41,614 | 36.1% | 46.4% | 11,887 | 6,130 | - | - | - | - | \$2.28 |
| В | 380,926 | 153,403 | 40.3% | 4,440 | 157,843 | 41.4% | 46.5% | 19,245 | 30,874 | - | - | - | - | \$2.35 |
| С | 275,170 | 57,236 | 20.8% | - | 57,236 | 20.8% | 20.0% | (2,134) | (2,512) | - | - | - | - | \$2.01 |
| Total | 771,396 | 252,253 | 32.7% | 4,440 | 256,693 | 33.3% | 37.0% | 28,998 | 34,492 | - | - | - | - | \$2.26 |
| WEST CE | ENTRAL SUBMA | RKET | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| A | - | - | n/a | - | - | n/a | n/a | - | - | - | - | - | - | \$- |
| B C | 291,027 869,393 | 27,751 168,645 | 9.5% 19.4% | - | 27,751 168,645 | 9.5% 19.4% | 9.1% 17.6% | (1,320) (15,756) | (6,461) (41,921) | - | - | - | - | \$2.31 \$1.69 |
| Total | 1,160,420 | 196,396 | 19.4% | - | 196,396 | 19.4% | 17.6% | (13,736) | (41,921) | - | - | - | - | \$1.09 |
| MARKET | | 170,070 | 20.770 | | 170,070 | 10.770 | 10.070 | (11,010) | (10,002) | | | | | +1.10 |
| А | 1,409,307 | 221,526 | 15.7% | 12,346 | 233,872 | 16.6% | 17.1% | 6,599 | 37,617 | - | - | 80,251 | 80,000 | \$2.55 |
| В | 2,965,081 | 629,997 | 21.2% | 6,955 | 636,952 | 21.5% | 22.4% | 28,055 | (54,656) | - | - | - | - | \$2.22 |
| C | 2,864,317 | 378,209 | 13.2% | - | 378,209 | 13.2% | 14.0% | 19,839 | (5,308) | - | - | 27,000 | - | \$1.82 |
| Total | 7,238,705 | 1,229,732 | 17.0% | 19,301 | 1,249,033 | 17.3% | 18.1% | 54,493 | (22,347) | - | - | 107,251 | 80,000 | \$2.16 |
| QUAR | TERLY COM | PARISON | ND TOTA | AES | | | | | | | | | | |
| Q3-16 | 7,238,705 | 1,229,732 | 17.0% | 19,301 | 1,249,033 | 17.3% | 18.1% | 54,493 | (22,347) | - | - | 107,251 | 80,000 | \$2.16 |
| Q2-16 | 7,238,705 | 1,284,225 | 17.7% | 23,007 | 1,307,232 | 18.1% | 17.1% | (55,020) | (76,840) | - | - | 80,251 | 107,000 | \$2.14 |
| Q1-16 | 7,238,705 | 1,229,205 | 17.0% | 6,955 | 1,236,160 | 17.1% | 16.8% | (21,820) | (21,820) | - | - | - | 291,931 | \$2.17 |
| Q4-15 | 7,238,705 | 1,207,385 | 16.7% | 8,955 | 1,216,340 | 16.8% | 16.6% | (25,501) | 116,729 | - | 16,000 | - | 361,931 | \$2.19 |
| Q3-15 Q2-15 | 7,238,705 7,238,705 | 1,181,884 | 16.3% 16.2% | 22,436 | 1,204,320 1,195,323 | 16.6% 16.5% | 16.5% 17.3% | (6,806) 73,923 | 142,230 149,036 | - | 16,000 16,000 | - | 361,931 131,680 | \$2.18 \$2.18 |
| Q2-15 Q1-15 | 7,238,705 | 1,175,078 1,233,001 | 16.2% 17.1% | 20,245 15,002 | 1,195,323 | 16.5% 17.3% | 17.3% 18.3% | 73,923 | 75,113 | 16,000 | T0,000 | - | 131,680 | \$2.18 \$2.16 |
| GT 10 | .,,103 | 1,200,001 | ±1.±70 | 10,002 | 1,2 10,000 | 11.570 | 20.070 | 10,110 | 10,110 | | | | 101,000 | \$L.10 |

502 offices in**66** countries on**6** continents

United States: **153** Canada: **34** Latin America: **24** Asia Pacific: **231** EMEA: **112**

\$2.5

billion in annual revenue*

2.0

billion square feet under management

16,000

professionals and staff

*All statistics are for 2015 and include affiliates.

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