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OFFERING CIRCULAR

Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC
(the “Balanced eREIT® I”)
Sponsored by
Rise Companies Corp.

Up to $50,000,000 in Common Shares

Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC (the “Balanced eREIT® I,” the “Company,” “us,” “we,” “our” and other similar terms) is a newly organized Delaware limited liability company formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio primarily consisting of investments in commercial real estate properties and development projects, as well as commercial real estate loans, commercial real estate debt securities (including commercial mortgage-backed securities (“CMBS”), collateralized debt obligations (“CDOs”), and REIT senior unsecured debt) and other select real estate-related assets, where the underlying assets primarily consist of such properties. We define development projects to include a range of activities from major renovation and lease-up of existing buildings to ground up construction. With demand stoked by demographic trends and supply constrained by economic forces, our Manager (as defined below) believes that commercial real estate properties have displayed strong performance and are expected to be well positioned to see continued low vacancies and healthy rent growth moving forward. While we intend to invest primarily in commercial real estate properties, development projects and commercial real estate loans, we may invest in other asset classes depending on the availability of suitable investment opportunities. We may make our investments through majority-owned subsidiaries, some of which may have rights to receive preferred economic returns.

We are externally managed by Fundrise Advisors, LLC (our “Manager”), which is an investment adviser registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”), and a wholly-owned subsidiary of our sponsor, Rise Companies Corp. (our “sponsor”), the parent company of Fundrise, LLC, our affiliate. Registration with the SEC does not imply a certain level of skill or training. Fundrise, LLC owns and operates an online investment platform www.fundrise.com (the “Fundrise Platform”) that allows investors to become equity or debt holders in real estate opportunities that may have been historically difficult to access for some investors. Through the use of the Fundrise Platform, investors can browse and screen real estate investments, view details of an investment and sign legal documents online. We intend to qualify as a real estate investment trust, or REIT, for U.S. federal income tax purposes beginning with our taxable year ending December 31, 2020.
We are offering up to $50 million in our common shares, which represent limited liability company interests in our Company, to the public at $10.00 per share. The minimum investment in our common shares for initial purchases is 100 shares, or $1,000 based on the current $10.00 per share price. However, in certain instances, we may revise the minimum purchase requirements in the future or elect to waive the minimum purchase requirement, such as for individuals who participate in different plans established by our Manager through which they can invest in our common shares. In addition, our sponsor and Fundrise, L.P., an affiliate of our sponsor, have committed to purchase an aggregate of 1,500 common shares from us at $10.00 per share in private placements (including 500 common shares already owned by our sponsor) on a date no later than ten (10) days after we begin accepting subscriptions to this offering. We expect to offer common shares in this offering until we raise the maximum amount being offered, unless terminated by our Manager at an earlier time. Until September 30, 2020, the per share purchase price for our common shares in this offering will be $10.00 per share, an amount that was arbitrarily determined by our Manager. Thereafter, the per share purchase price for our common shares will be adjusted at the end of each semi-annual period, or such other period as determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually. Our Manager has initially determined to adjust the per share purchase price in this offering semi-annually, as of April 1st and October 1st of each year (or as soon as commercially reasonable and announced by us thereafter), to be no less than our net asset value (“NAV”) divided by the number of our common shares outstanding as of the end of the prior semi-annual period (“NAV per share”). Investors will pay the most recent publicly announced purchase price as of the date of their subscription. Although we do not intend to list our common shares for trading on a stock exchange or other trading market, we intend to adopt a redemption plan designed to provide our shareholders with limited liquidity on an ongoing basis for their investment in our shares.

We intend to distribute our shares primarily through the Fundrise Platform.

Investing in our common shares is speculative and involves substantial risks. You should purchase these securities only if you can afford a complete loss of your investment. See “Risk Factors” beginning on page 29 to read about the more significant risks you should consider before buying our common shares. These risks include the following:

• We depend on our Manager to select our investments and conduct our operations. We will pay fees and expenses to our Manager and its affiliates that are not determined on an arm’s length basis, and therefore we will not have the benefit of arm’s length negotiations of the type normally conducted between unrelated parties. These fees increase your risk of loss.

• We have no operating history, and as of the date of this offering circular, our total assets consist of $5,000 in cash. The prior performance of our sponsor and its affiliated entities may not predict our future results. Therefore, there is no assurance that we will achieve our investment objectives.

• This is a “blind pool” offering because we have not identified any investments to acquire with the net proceeds of this offering. You will not be able to evaluate our investments prior to purchasing shares.

• Our Manager’s executive officers and key real estate and debt finance professionals are also officers, directors, managers and/or key professionals of our sponsor and its affiliates. As a result, they will face conflicts of interest, including time constraints, allocation of investment opportunities and significant conflicts created by our Manager’s compensation arrangements with us and other affiliates of our sponsor.

• Our sponsor has sponsored and may in the future sponsor other companies that compete with us, and our sponsor does not have an exclusive management arrangement with us; however, our sponsor has adopted a policy for allocating investments between different companies that it sponsors with similar investment strategies.
• This offering is being made pursuant to recently adopted rules and regulations under Regulation A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended ("the Securities Act"). The legal and compliance requirements of these rules and regulations, including ongoing reporting requirements related thereto, are relatively untested.

• If we raise substantially less than the maximum offering amount, we may not be able to acquire a diverse portfolio of investments and the value of your shares may vary more widely with the performance of specific assets.

• If we internalize our management functions, your interest in us could be diluted and we could incur other significant costs associated with being self-managed.

• We may change our investment guidelines without shareholder consent, which could result in investments that are different from those described in this offering circular.

• We do not expect to declare any distributions until the proceeds from our public offering are invested and generating operating cash flow. While our goal is to pay distributions from our cash flow from operations, we may use other sources to fund distributions, including offering proceeds, borrowings or sales of assets. We have not established a limit on the amount of proceeds we may use to fund distributions. If we pay distributions from sources other than our cash flow from operations, we will have less funds available for investments and your overall return may be reduced. In any event, we intend to make annual distributions as required to comply with the REIT distribution requirements and avoid U.S. federal income and excise taxes on retained income.

• Our sponsor’s internal accountants and asset management team will calculate our NAV on a semi-annual basis using valuation methodologies that involve subjective judgments and estimates. As a result, our NAV may not accurately reflect the actual prices at which our commercial real estate assets and investments, including related liabilities, could be liquidated on any given day.

• Our operating agreement does not require our Manager to seek shareholder approval to liquidate our assets by a specified date, nor does our operating agreement require our Manager to list our shares for trading by a specified date. No public market currently exists for our shares. Until our shares are listed, if ever, you may not sell your shares. If you are able to sell your shares, you may have to sell them at a substantial loss.

• If we fail to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes and no relief provisions apply, we would be subject to entity-level U.S. federal corporate income tax and, as a result, our cash available for distribution to our shareholders and the value of our shares could materially decrease.

• Real estate investments are subject to general downturns in the industry as well as downturns in specific geographic areas. We cannot predict what the occupancy level will be in a particular building or that any tenant or mortgage or other real estate-related loan borrower will remain solvent. We also cannot predict the future value of our properties. Accordingly, we cannot guarantee that you will receive cash distributions or appreciation of your investment.

• Our intended investments in commercial real estate properties and development projects, with such investments consisting of commercial real estate loans, commercial real estate and other select real estate-related assets, will be subject to risks relating to the volatility in the value of the underlying real estate, default on underlying income streams, fluctuations in interest rates, and other risks associated with debt, and real estate investments generally. These investments are only suitable for sophisticated investors with a high-risk investment profile.

• We expect our property portfolio to be comprised of commercial real estate properties and development projects. As a result, we will be subject to risks inherent in investments in such types of property. Because a number of our investments will be in the residential sector, the potential effects on our revenue and profits resulting from a downturn or slowdown in the residential sector could be more pronounced than if we more fully diversified our investments.

The United States Securities and Exchange Commission does not pass upon the merits of or give its approval to any securities offered or the terms of the offering, nor does it pass upon the accuracy or completeness of any offering circular or other solicitation materials. These securities are offered pursuant to an exemption from registration with the Commission; however, the Commission has not made an independent determination that the securities offered are exempt from registration.
The use of projections or forecasts in this offering is prohibited. No one is permitted to make any oral or written predictions about the cash benefits or tax consequences you will receive from your investment in our common shares.

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(1) The price per share shown was arbitrarily determined by our Manager and will apply until September 30, 2020. Thereafter, our Manager has initially determined that our price per share will be adjusted every semi-annual period and will be equal to no less than our NAV as of the end of the prior semi-annual period.

(2) This is a “best efforts” offering. See “How to Subscribe.”

(3) Investors will not pay upfront selling commissions in connection with the purchase of our common shares. We will reimburse our Manager for organization and offering costs, which are expected to be approximately $350,000. Reimbursement payments will be made in monthly installments, but the aggregate monthly amount reimbursed can never exceed 0.50% of the aggregate gross offering proceeds from this offering; provided, however, our Manager agreed to a limitation that no reimbursement may be made which, as a result of the reimbursement, would cause the net asset value to be less than $10.00 per share. If the sum of the total unreimbursed amount of such organization and offering costs, plus new costs incurred since the last reimbursement payment, exceeds the reimbursement limit described above for the applicable monthly installment, the excess will be eligible for reimbursement in subsequent months (subject to the 0.50% limit), calculated on an accumulated basis, until our Manager has been reimbursed in full. See “Management Compensation” for a description of additional fees and expenses that we will pay our Manager.

We will offer our common shares in this offering on a best efforts basis primarily through the online Fundrise Platform. Neither Fundrise, LLC nor any other affiliated entity involved in the offer and sale of the shares being offered hereby is a member firm of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (“FINRA”), and no person associated with us will be deemed to be a broker solely by reason of his or her participation in the sale of our common shares.

Generally, no sale may be made to you in this offering if the aggregate purchase price you pay is more than 10% of the greater of your annual income or net worth. Different rules apply to accredited investors and non-natural persons. Before making any representation that your investment does not exceed applicable thresholds, we encourage you to review Rule 251(d) (2)(i)(C) of Regulation A. For general information on investing, we encourage you to refer to www.investor.gov.

This offering circular follows the Form S-11 disclosure format.

The date of this offering circular is December 6, 2019
IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THIS OFFERING CIRCULAR

Please carefully read the information in this offering circular and any accompanying offering circular supplements, which we refer to collectively as the offering circular. You should rely only on the information contained in this offering circular. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. This offering circular may only be used where it is legal to sell these securities. You should not assume that the information contained in this offering circular is accurate as of any date later than the date hereof or such other dates as are stated herein or as of the respective dates of any documents or other information incorporated herein by reference.

This offering circular is part of an offering statement that we filed with the SEC, using a continuous offering process. Periodically, as we make material investments, update our semi-annual NAV per share amount, or have other material developments, we will provide an offering circular supplement that may add, update or change information contained in this offering circular. Any statement that we make in this offering circular will be modified or superseded by any inconsistent statement made by us in a subsequent offering circular supplement. The offering statement we filed with the SEC includes exhibits that provide more detailed descriptions of the matters discussed in this offering circular. You should read this offering circular and the related exhibits filed with the SEC and any offering circular supplement, together with additional information contained in our annual reports, semi-annual reports and other reports and information statements that we will file periodically with the SEC. See the section entitled “Additional Information” below for more details.

The offering statement and all supplements and reports that we have filed or will file in the future can be read at the SEC website, www.sec.gov, or on the Fundrise Platform website, www.fundrise.com. The contents of the Fundrise Platform website (other than the offering statement, this offering circular and the appendices and exhibits thereto) are not incorporated by reference in or otherwise a part of this offering circular.

Our sponsor and those selling shares on our behalf in this offering will be permitted to make a determination that the purchasers of shares in this offering are “qualified purchasers” in reliance on the information and representations provided by the shareholder regarding the shareholder’s financial situation. Before making any representation that your investment does not exceed applicable thresholds, we encourage you to review Rule 251(d)(2)(i)(C) of Regulation A. For general information on investing, we encourage you to refer to www.investor.gov.
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STATE LAW EXEMPTION AND PURCHASE RESTRICTIONS

Our common shares are being offered and sold only to “qualified purchasers” (as defined in Regulation A). As a Tier 2 offering pursuant to Regulation A, this offering will be exempt from state law “Blue Sky” review, subject to meeting certain state filing requirements and complying with certain anti-fraud provisions, to the extent that our common shares offered hereby are offered and sold only to “qualified purchasers” or at a time when our common shares are listed on a national securities exchange. “Qualified purchasers” include: (i) “accredited investors” under Rule 501(a) of Regulation D and (ii) all other investors so long as their investment in our common shares does not represent more than 10% of the greater of their annual income or net worth (for natural persons), or 10% of the greater of annual revenue or net assets at fiscal year-end (for non-natural persons). However, our common shares are being offered and sold only to those investors that are within the latter category (i.e., investors whose investment in our common shares does not represent more than 10% of the applicable amount), regardless of an investor’s status as an “accredited investor.” Accordingly, we reserve the right to reject any investor’s subscription in whole or in part for any reason, including if we determine in our sole and absolute discretion that such investor is not a “qualified purchaser” for purposes of Regulation A.

To determine whether a potential investor is an “accredited investor” for purposes of satisfying one of the tests in the “qualified purchaser” definition, the investor must be a natural person who has:

1. an individual net worth, or joint net worth with the person’s spouse, that exceeds $1,000,000 at the time of the purchase, excluding the value of the primary residence of such person; or
2. earned income exceeding $200,000 in each of the two most recent years or joint income with a spouse exceeding $300,000 for those years and a reasonable expectation of the same income level in the current year.

If the investor is not a natural person, different standards apply. See Rule 501 of Regulation D for more details.

For purposes of determining whether a potential investor is a “qualified purchaser,” annual income and net worth should be calculated as provided in the “accredited investor” definition under Rule 501 of Regulation D. In particular, net worth in all cases should be calculated excluding the value of an investor’s home, home furnishings and automobiles.
QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THIS OFFERING

The following questions and answers about this offering highlight material information regarding us and this offering that is not otherwise addressed in the “Offering Summary” section of this offering circular. You should read this entire offering circular, including the section entitled “Risk Factors,” before deciding to purchase our common shares.

Q: What is Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC?

A: Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC is a newly organized Delaware limited liability company formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio primarily consisting of investments in commercial real estate and development projects, with such investments consisting of equity interests in such properties or debt, as well as commercial real estate loans, commercial real estate debt securities (including CMBS, CDOs, and REIT senior unsecured debt) and other select real estate-related assets, where the underlying assets primarily consist of such properties. We define development projects to include a range of activities from major renovation and lease-up of existing buildings to ground up construction. With demand stoked by demographic trends and supply constrained by economic forces, our Manager believes that multifamily rental units have displayed strong performance and are expected to be well positioned to see continued low vacancies and healthy rent growth moving forward. While we intend to invest in commercial real estate properties, development projects and commercial real estate loans, we may invest in other asset classes, depending on the availability of suitable investment opportunities. We may make our investments through majority-owned subsidiaries, some of which may have rights to receive preferred economic returns. The use of the terms “Fundrise Balanced eREIT® I,” the “Company,” “we,” “us” or “our” in this offering circular refer to Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC unless the context indicates otherwise.

Q: What is a real estate investment trust, or REIT?

A: In general, a REIT is an entity that:

• combines the capital of many investors to acquire or provide financing for a diversified portfolio of real estate investments under professional management;

• is able to qualify as a “real estate investment trust” under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), for U.S. federal income tax purposes and is therefore generally entitled to a deduction for the dividends it pays and not subject to U.S. federal corporate income taxes on its net income that is distributed to its shareholders. This treatment substantially eliminates the “double taxation” (taxation at both the corporate and shareholder levels) that generally results from investments in a corporation; and

• generally pays distributions to investors of at least 90% of its annual ordinary taxable income.

In this offering circular, we refer to an entity that qualifies to be taxed as a real estate investment trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a REIT. We intend to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes commencing with our taxable year ending December 31, 2020.

Q: What is an eREIT®?

A: An “eREIT®” is a type of real estate investment trust sponsored by Rise Companies Corp., our sponsor, and offered directly to investors through the Fundrise Platform, owned and operated by Fundrise, LLC, without any brokers or selling commissions. Each eREIT® intends to invest in a diversified pool of commercial real estate assets, such as apartments, hotels, shopping centers, and office buildings from across the country.

Q: Who will choose which investments you make?

A: We are externally managed by Fundrise Advisors, LLC, our Manager, an investment adviser registered with the SEC. Registration with the SEC does not imply a certain level of skill or training. Our Manager will make all of our investment decisions.
Q: Who is Rise Companies Corp.?

A: Rise Companies Corp., our sponsor and the parent company of our Manager, is also the parent company of Fundrise, LLC, our affiliate. Fundrise, LLC owns and operates the Fundrise Platform.

Q: What is the Fundrise Platform?

A: The Fundrise Platform is an online investment platform for commercial real estate. Fundrise gives investors the ability to:

- browse investment offerings based on investment preferences including location, asset type, risk and return profile;
- transact entirely online, including digital legal documentation, funds transfer, and ownership recordation;
- manage and track investments easily through an online portfolio; and
- receive automated distributions and/or interest payments, and regular financial reporting.

Q: What competitive advantages do you achieve through your relationship with your sponsor?

A: Our Manager will utilize the personnel and resources of our sponsor to select our investments and manage our day-to-day operations. Our sponsor’s corporate, investment and operating platforms are well established, allowing us to realize economies of scale and other benefits including the following:

- **Experienced Management Team** — Our sponsor has a highly experienced management team of real estate and debt finance professionals, led by Benjamin S. Miller, its Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer. The senior investment executives of our sponsor have dedicated their entire careers to the commercial real estate sector. These executives provide stability in the management of our business and allow us to benefit from the knowledge and industry contacts they have gained through numerous real estate cycles. Please see “Management — Executive Officers of our Manager” for biographical information regarding these individuals.

- **Real Estate Investment Experience** — As of June 30, 2019, our sponsor facilitated or originated approximately 281 real estate assets through the various Fundrise Platform investment opportunities with aggregate purchase prices of approximately $3.9 billion, excluding 3 World Trade Center (we exclude this asset because while the amount of equity invested in the project was similar to other investments made by our sponsor, the aggregate purchase price of 3 World Trade Center was much greater relative to our sponsor’s other investments, and would greatly inflate the aggregate purchase price of the other assets disclosed). Of the $3.9 billion aggregate real estate purchase prices, our sponsor offered through the Fundrise Platform investment opportunities approximately $856 million, consisting of approximately $302 million of commercial real estate loan assets, $230 million of investments in commercial real estate (primarily through majority-owned subsidiaries with rights to receive preferred economic returns), and $324 million of commercial real estate common equity investments, including direct equity purchases. The portfolios included in the Fundrise Platform investment opportunities are diversified by investment size, security type, property type and geographic region. As a result of the depth and thoroughness of its underwriting process, the extensive investing experience of its management team and its strong performance record in managing a diverse portfolio of assets, we believe our sponsor has earned a reputation as a leading real estate manager, which has allowed it to access funding from a broad base of investors. See “Prior Performance Summary.”

- **Market Knowledge and Industry Relationships** — Through its active and broad participation in real estate capital markets, our sponsor benefits from market information that enables it to identify attractive commercial real estate investment opportunities and to make informed decisions with regard to the relative valuation of financial assets and capital allocation. We believe that our sponsor’s extensive industry relationships with a wide variety of commercial real estate owners and operators, brokers and other intermediaries and third party commercial real estate debt originators will provide us with a competitive advantage in sourcing attractive investment opportunities to meet our investment objectives.
• **Regulation A Experience** — Our sponsor’s executive team was one of the first groups to sponsor a real estate investment opportunity through a Regulation A offering, having sponsored three Regulation A offerings from August 2012 through February 2014 and filed and qualified ten additional offerings similar to this one under the revised Regulation A rules effective as of June 2015 (commonly referred to as “Regulation A+”). In addition, our sponsor, through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, runs an active online investment platform that utilizes private offering exemptions under the Securities Act to sell real estate-related securities to investors. Its management team is skilled in reporting and compliance obligations related to Regulation A and the Securities Act, and has well-developed compliance and investor relations functions.

• **Fee Waiver Support** — To mitigate the effect of our lack of assets, revenue and operating history, our Manager has agreed, for a period until June 30, 2020 (the “fee waiver period”), to waive its asset management fee during the fee waiver period. Following the conclusion of the fee waiver period, our Manager may, in its sole discretion, waive its asset management fee, in whole or in part. The Manager will forfeit any portion of the asset management fee that is waived. For more information regarding the fee waiver support of our common shares, please see “Description of Our Common Shares – Distributions.”

**Q: Why should I invest in commercial real estate investments?**

**A:** Our goal is to provide a professionally managed, diversified portfolio consisting primarily of high-quality commercial real estate assets, to investors who generally have had very limited access to such investments in the past. Allocating some portion of your portfolio to a direct investment in high-quality commercial real estate assets may provide you with:

- a reasonably predictable and stable level of current income from the investment;
- diversification of your portfolio, by investing in an asset class that historically has not been correlated with the stock market generally; and
- the opportunity for capital appreciation.

**Q: Why should I invest specifically in a company that is focused primarily on commercial real estate loans and other investments in commercial real estate?**

**A:** We believe that there is a dearth of capital in the commercial real estate industry below the radar of traditional institutional real estate investors, which market inefficiency can result in attractive risk-adjusted returns. Conventional commercial real estate capital sources use little-to-no technology and therefore generally apply outmoded and more costly human resources to originate, process, and service real estate deals. The consequence is that established real estate funds prefer to focus on larger real estate properties, equity investments of at least $10 million, which allow them to amortize their overhead across a larger investment denominator and generate more substantial fees. Particularly since the 2008 financial crisis, this bias has been exacerbated by the tendency for institutional investors to prefer to invest with fund managers with the longest track record, which tends to be the largest funds. As such, the largest real estate investors have grown even larger and target transactions usually requiring at least $50 million of equity, if not more. Our operating experience has shown us that there is a significant segment of smaller commercial real estate transactions that, by and large, have been neglected by the major real estate capital players.

**Q: What kind of offering is this?**

**A:** We are primarily offering through the Fundrise Platform, a maximum of $50 million in our common shares to the public on a “best efforts” basis at $10.00 per share. In addition, our sponsor and Fundrise, L.P., an affiliate of our sponsor, have committed to purchase an aggregate of 1,500 common shares from us at $10.00 per share in private placements (including 500 common shares already owned by our sponsor) on a date no later than ten (10) days after we begin accepting subscriptions to this offering.

This offering is being conducted as a continuous offering pursuant to Rule 251(d)(3) of Regulation A, meaning that while the offering of securities is continuous, active sales of securities may happen sporadically over the term of the offering. Further, the acceptance of subscriptions, whether via the Fundrise Platform or otherwise, may be briefly paused at times to allow us to effectively and accurately process and settle subscriptions that have been received.
Q: How is an investment in your common shares different from investing in shares of a listed REIT?

A: The fundamental difference between our common shares and a listed REIT is the daily liquidity available with a listed REIT. Although we intend to adopt a redemption plan that generally allows investors to redeem shares on an ongoing basis, for investors with a short-term investment horizon, a listed REIT may be a better alternative than investing in our common shares. That said, we believe our common shares are an alternative way for investors to deploy capital into a diversified pool of real estate assets, with a lower correlation to the general stock market than listed REITs. In addition, the overall listed-REIT sector has been trading at all-time highs, with the FTSE NAREIT All REIT Index yielding generally less than 5% from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2016. We believe such pricing suggests that a substantial portion of the price of listed REITs is attributable to a built-in liquidity premium, since recent unlevered capitalization rates on real estate transactions in the private sector have averaged 4-6%, according to the most recent publicly available report published by CBRE U.S. Cap Rate Data from January 2017.

Additionally, listed REITs are subject to more demanding public disclosure and corporate governance requirements than we will be subject to. While we are subject to the scaled reporting requirements of Regulation A, such periodic reports are substantially less onerous than what is required of a listed REIT.

Q: How is an investment in your common shares different from investing in shares of a traditional non-exchange traded REIT?

A: We neither charge nor pay any broker-dealer distribution fees, saving investors approximately 70% to 90% in upfront expenses as compared to a traditional non-exchange traded REIT. Traditional non-exchange traded REITs use a highly manpower-intensive method with hundreds to thousands of sales brokers calling on investors to sell their offerings. Our sponsor has pioneered a low cost digital platform, which we intend to leverage in conducting this offering, thus reducing the financial burdens to us of offering our common shares.

Q: How is an investment in your common shares different from investing in shares of other real estate investment opportunities offered on the Fundrise Platform or on similar online investment platforms?

A: We expect to be one of the few non-exchange traded REITs offered directly to all potential investors primarily over the internet. Most other similar online investment platforms that we are aware of typically offer individual property investments as private placements to accredited investors only. We intend to own a more diversified portfolio, with certain tax advantages unique to REITs, that is accessible to both accredited and non-accredited investors at a low investment minimum.

Q: What is the purchase price for your common shares?

A: Our Manager set our initial offering price at $10.00 per share, which will be the purchase price of our shares until September 30, 2020. Thereafter, the per share purchase price for our common shares will be adjusted at the end of each semi-annual period, or such other period as determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually. Our Manager has initially determined to adjust the per share purchase price in this offering semi-annually, as of April 1st and October 1st of each year (or as soon as commercially reasonable and announced by us thereafter), to be no less than our NAV divided by the number of our common shares outstanding as of the end of the prior semi-annual period (NAV per share). Our Manager will adjust our per share purchase price as of the date the new NAV is announced, not the date of such NAV, and investors will pay the most recent publicly announced purchase price as of the date of their subscription. Our website, www.fundrise.com, will identify the current NAV per share. Any subscriptions that we receive during a semi-annual period (or such other period as determined by the Manager in its sole discretion but no less frequently than annually) will be executed at a price equal to our NAV per share in effect for that semi-annual period. Subscribers may generally withdraw their subscription prior to settlement, which typically occurs between 3-5 days after the submission of the subscription. So, for example, if the purchase price were to change as a result of NAV, a subscriber may withdraw their subscription and submit a new subscription so long as they perform this action prior to the settlement of the first subscription. If a material event occurs in between updates of NAV that would cause our NAV per share to change by 5% or more from the last disclosed NAV, we will disclose the updated price and the reason for the change in an offering circular supplement as promptly as reasonably practicable, and will update the NAV information provided on our website. See “Description of Our Common Shares—Share Price Adjustments” for more details.
**Q:** How will your NAV per share be calculated?

**A:** At the end of each semi-annual period (or such other period as determined by the Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually), beginning September 30, 2020, our sponsor’s internal accountants and asset management team will calculate our NAV per share using a process that reflects several components, including (1) estimated values of each of our commercial real estate assets and investments, as determined by such asset management team, including related liabilities, based upon (a) market capitalization rates, comparable sales information, interest rates, net operating income, (b) with respect to debt, default rates, discount rates and loss severity rates, (c) for properties that have development or value add plans, progress of such development or value add plan, and (d) in certain instances, reports of the underlying real estate provided by an independent valuation expert, (2) the price of liquid assets for which third party market quotes are available, (3) accruals of periodic distributions, and (4) estimated accruals of operating revenues and expenses. For joint venture or direct equity investments, our sponsor primarily relies on the discounted cash flow method. Under the discounted cash flow method, our sponsor’s asset management team will calculate the distributions due to the respective investment based on a property-level pro forma measured against ongoing actual performance over the projected likely-hold period. The sponsor’s asset management team will then discount future cash-flow projections at an appropriate market levered-discount rate to determine present value, which value is considered the net asset value of the investment. The sponsor may alternatively apply the hypothetical sales method to value its investments. Under this approach, our sponsor’s asset management team will assume (i) the sale of the property at a price equal to the concluded property value, (ii) the liquidation of any additional assets after paying all liabilities, and (iii) the distribution of the net sale proceeds to investors. The distributed amount is considered the net asset value of each respective investment. For debt and fixed-return preferred equity investment, assuming no material adverse change in the property, the sponsor’s asset management team will mark these investments to their cost basis (including any accrued unpaid interest). If there were to be material adverse changes in these properties, the asset management team intends to value these investments using the hypothetical sales method described above. For our investments that have closed within three to nine months and no material changes have occurred from the original underwriting, our sponsor’s asset management team will typically apply the original property purchase price (or pre-closing third party appraisal value) for the property valuation, and the investment cost basis for the investment-level valuation. Note, however, that the determination of our NAV is not based on, nor intended to comply with, fair value standards under U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (“GAAP”), and our NAV may not be indicative of the price that we would receive for our assets at current market conditions. In instances where an appraisal of the underlying real estate asset is necessary, including, but not limited to, instances where our Manager is unsure of its ability on its own to accurately determine the estimated values of our commercial real estate assets and investments, or instances where third party market values for comparable properties are either nonexistent or extremely inconsistent, we will engage an appraiser that has expertise in appraising commercial real estate loans and assets, to act as our independent valuation expert. The independent valuation expert is not responsible for, nor prepares, our NAV per share. See “Description of our Common Shares—Valuation Policies” for more details about our NAV and how it will be calculated.
Q: How exact will the calculation of the semi-annual NAV per share be?

A: As there is no market value for our common shares as they are not expected to be listed or traded on any stock exchange or other marketplace, our goal is to provide a reasonable estimate of the value of our common shares as of the end of each semi-annual period (or such other periodic basis as determined by the Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually). Our assets will consist principally of investments in commercial real estate, development projects and other select real estate-related assets. Our sponsor’s internal accountants’ valuation of the real estate underlying these assets is subject to a number of judgments and assumptions that may not prove to be accurate. The use of different judgments or assumptions would likely result in different estimates of the value of the real estate underlying our assets. Moreover, although we evaluate and provide our NAV per share on a semi-annual basis, our NAV per share may fluctuate daily, so that the NAV per share in effect for any semi-annual period may not reflect the precise amount that might be paid for your shares in a market transaction. Further, our published NAV per share may not fully reflect certain material events to the extent that they are not known or their financial impact on our portfolio is not immediately quantifiable. Any resulting potential disparity in our NAV per share may be in favor of either shareholders who redeem their shares, or shareholders who buy new shares, or existing shareholders. In addition, the determination of our NAV is not based on, nor intended to comply with, fair value standards under GAAP, and our NAV may not be indicative of the price that we would receive for our assets at current market conditions. See “Description of our Common Shares—Valuation Policies” for more details about our NAV and how it will be calculated.

Q: Will I have the opportunity to redeem my common shares?

A: Yes. While you should view this investment as long-term, we have adopted a redemption plan whereby, on an ongoing basis, an investor may obtain liquidity monthly, following a minimum sixty (60) day waiting period after submitting their redemption request. Our Manager has designed our redemption plan with a view towards providing investors with an initial period in which they can decide whether a long-term investment in our Company is right for them. In addition, despite the illiquid nature of the assets expected to be held by the Company, the Manager believes it is best to provide the opportunity for ongoing liquidity in the event shareholders need it in the form of a discounted redemption price prior to year 5, which economic benefit indirectly accrues to shareholders who have not requested redemption. Neither the Manager nor our sponsor receives any economic benefit as a result of the discounted redemption price through year 5.

Pursuant to our redemption plan, a shareholder may only (a) have one outstanding redemption request at any given time and (b) request that we redeem up to the lesser of 5,000 shares or $50,000 per redemption request. In addition, the redemption plan is subject to certain liquidity limitations, which may fluctuate depending on the liquidity of the real estate assets held by us.

The calculation of the redemption price will depend, in part, on whether a shareholder requests redemption within the first eighty-nine (89) days of first acquiring the shares (the “Introductory Period”) or thereafter (the “Post-Introductory Period”).

During the Introductory Period, the per share redemption price will be equal to the purchase price of the shares being redeemed reduced by (i) the aggregate sum of distributions paid with respect to such shares, rounded down to the nearest cent and (ii) the aggregate sum of distributions, if any, declared but unpaid on the shares subject to the redemption request. In other words, a shareholder would receive back their original investment amount, from the redemption price paid, prior distributions received and distributions that have been declared (and that will be received when paid), but would not receive any amounts in excess of their original investment amount.

During the Post-Introductory Period, the per share redemption price will be calculated based on a declining discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request, and rounded down to the nearest cent. In addition, the redemption plan is subject to certain liquidity limitations, which may fluctuate depending on the liquidity of the real estate assets held by us. During the Post-Introductory Period, the redemption price with respect to the common shares that are subject to the redemption request will not be reduced by the aggregate sum of distributions, if any, that have been (i) paid with respect to such shares prior to the date of the redemption request or (ii) declared but unpaid on such shares with record dates during the period between the redemption request date and the redemption date.
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(1) The Effective Redemption Price will be rounded down to the nearest $0.01.
(2) The Effective Redemption Price during the Introductory Period is calculated based upon the purchase price of the shares, not the per share price in effect at the time of the redemption request.
(3) The Effective Redemption Price during the Introductory Period will be reduced by the aggregate sum of distributions paid or payable on such shares, the amount of which we are unable to calculate at this time.
(4) For shares held at least ninety (90) days but less than three (3) years, the Effective Redemption Price includes the fixed 3% discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.
(5) For shares held at least three (3) years but less than four (4) years, the Effective Redemption Price includes the fixed 2% discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.
(6) For shares held at least four (4) years but less than five (5) years, the Effective Redemption Price includes the fixed 1% discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.
(7) For shares held at least five (5) years, the Effective Redemption Price does not include any discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.

As shareholders must observe a minimum sixty (60) day waiting period following a redemption request before such request will be honored, whether a redemption request is deemed to be in the Introductory Period or the Post-Introductory Period will be determined as of the date the redemption request is made, not the date the redemption request is honored. Meaning, for example, if a redemption request is submitted during the Introductory Period, but honored after the Introductory Period, the effective redemption price will be determined using the Introductory Period methodology.

The redemption plan may be changed or suspended at any time without notice. See “Description of Our Common Shares—Redemption Plan” for more details.

Q: Will there be any limits on my ability to redeem my shares?
A: Yes. While we designed our redemption plan to allow shareholders to request redemptions on an ongoing basis, we need to impose limitations on the size of individual redemption requests and the total amount of net redemptions per calendar quarter in order to maintain sufficient sources of liquidity to satisfy redemption requests without impacting our ability to invest in commercial real estate assets and maximize investor returns.

In addition, in the event our Manager determines, in its sole discretion, that we do not have sufficient funds available to redeem all of the common shares for which redemption requests have been submitted during any given month, such pending requests will be honored on a pro-rata basis, if at all. In the event that not all redemptions are being honored in a given month, the redemption requests not fully honored will have the remaining amount of such redemption requests considered during the next month in which redemptions are being honored. Accordingly, all unsatisfied redemption requests will be treated as requests for redemption on the next date on which redemptions are being honored, with redemptions processed on a pro-rata basis, if at all. If funds available for the redemption plan are not sufficient to accommodate all redemption requests on such future redemption date, common shares will be redeemed on a pro-rata basis, if at all.
We intend to limit shareholders to one (1) redemption request outstanding at any time, meaning that, if a common shareholder desires to request more or less shares to be redeemed, such common shareholder must first withdraw the first redemption request, which may affect whether the request is considered in the “Introductory Period” or “Post-Introductory Period.” For investors who hold common shares with more than one record date, redemption requests will be applied to such common shares in the order in which they settled, on a last in first out basis – meaning, those common shares that have been continuously held for the shortest amount of time will be redeemed first. In addition, we intend to limit individual redemption requests to the lesser of 5,000 shares or $50,000 per each redemption request, which may affect whether the entirety of a redemption request will be considered to be in the “Introductory Period” or “Post-Introductory Period.”

In light of the SEC’s current guidance on redemption plans, we generally intend to limit redemptions in any calendar month to shares whose aggregate value (based on the repurchase price per share in effect as of the redemption date) is less than or equal to 0.5% of the NAV of all of our outstanding shares as of the first day of such calendar month, and generally intend to limit the amount redeemed in any calendar quarter to shares whose aggregate value (based on the repurchase price per share in effect as of the redemption date) is 1.25% of the NAV of all of our outstanding shares as of first day of the last month of such calendar quarter (e.g., March 1, June 1, September 1, or December 1), with excess capacity carried over to later calendar quarters in that calendar year. However, as we intend to make a number of commercial real estate investments of varying terms and maturities, our Manager may elect to increase or decrease the amount of common shares available for redemption in any given month or quarter, as these commercial real estate assets are paid off or sold, but we do not intend to redeem more than 5.00% of the common shares outstanding during any calendar year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, we are not obligated to redeem common shares under the redemption plan.

Further, our Manager may in its sole discretion, amend, suspend, or terminate the redemption plan at any time without prior notice, including to protect our operations and our non-redeemed shareholders, to prevent an undue burden on our liquidity, to preserve our status as a REIT, following any material decrease in our NAV, or for any other reason. However, in the event that we amend, suspend or terminate our redemption plan, we will file an offering circular supplement and/or Form 1-U, as appropriate, and post such information on the Fundrise Platform to disclose such amendment. Our Manager may also, in its sole discretion, decline any particular redemption request if it believes such action is necessary to preserve our status as a REIT. See “Description of Our Common Shares—Redemption Plan” for more details.

Q: Will I still be entitled to distributions after I submit a request for redemption?

A: Yes. You will continue to receive distributions with respect to the common shares that are subject to a redemption request between the time you make such redemption request and the effective date of the redemption. However, if you redeem your shares during the Introductory Period, those distributions will be credited against the redemption price otherwise payable to you such that your redemption price will be no greater than your original investment.

Q: Will I be charged upfront selling commissions?

A: No. Investors will not pay upfront selling commissions as part of the price per common share purchased in this offering. Additionally, there is no dealer manager fee or other service-related fee in connection with the offering and sale of our common shares through the Fundrise Platform.

Q: Who will pay your organization and offering costs?

A: Our Manager or its affiliates will pay on our behalf all costs incurred in connection with our organization and the offering of our common shares. See “Estimated Use of Proceeds” for more information about the types of costs that may be incurred, including those expenses described in the next paragraph. At the election of our Manager, and on a date no earlier than the date we begin calculating and reporting our NAV, we will start to reimburse our Manager, without interest, for these organization and offering costs incurred both before and after such date. Reimbursement payments will be made in monthly installments, but the aggregate monthly amount reimbursed can never exceed 0.50% of the aggregate gross offering proceeds from this offering; provided, however, our Manager agreed to a limitation that no reimbursement may be made which, as a result of the reimbursement, would cause the net asset value to be less than $10.00 per share. If the sum of the total unreimbursed amount of such organization and offering costs, plus new costs incurred since the last reimbursement payment, exceeds the reimbursement limit described above for the applicable monthly installment, the excess will be eligible for reimbursement in subsequent months (subject to the 0.50% limit), calculated on an accumulated basis, until our Manager has been reimbursed in full.
Q: What fees and expenses will you pay to your Manager or any of its affiliates?

A: We will pay our Manager a quarterly asset management fee at an annualized rate of 0.85%, which until September 30, 2020, will be based on our net offering proceeds as of the end of each quarter, and thereafter will be based on our NAV at the end of each prior semi-annual period (or such other period as determined by the Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually). This rate will be determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but cannot exceed an annualized rate of 1.00%. The amount of the asset management fee may vary from time to time, and we will publicly report any changes in the asset management fee. Upon liquidation of any of our equity investments in real estate, we will reimburse our Manager for actual expenses incurred on our behalf in connection with such liquidation and we will pay our Manager up to 1.50% of the gross proceeds from such liquidation if our Manager is acting as the developer or is engaged by the developer to sell the project.

Our Manager, or an affiliate of the Manager, will be entitled to a quarterly development fee of 5.00% of the total development costs, excluding property; however, we do not intend to charge such development fee unless it is net of the fee being charged by the developer of the project or there is no outside developer of the project. In addition, our Manager, or an affiliate of our Manager, will be entitled to a reimbursement for any special servicing expenses for any non-performing asset as well as acquisition and origination fees that may be paid by the co-investor, joint venture, borrower or property holding entity.

We will reimburse our Manager for the organization and offering expenses that the Manager will pay on our behalf, including expenses in connection with marketing this offering. We will also reimburse our Manager for out-of-pocket expenses in connection with the origination of our investments, although with respect to our debt investments, it is expected that those expenses will be reimbursed by the borrower. Additionally, we will reimburse our Manager for out-of-pocket expenses paid to third parties in connection with providing services to us. This does not include the Manager’s overhead, employee costs borne by the Manager, utilities or technology costs. The expense reimbursements that we will pay to our Manager include expenses incurred by our sponsor in the performance of services under the shared services agreement between our Manager and our sponsor. See “Management—Shared Services Agreement.”

The payment by us of fees and expenses will reduce the cash available for investment and distribution and will directly impact our NAV. See “Management Compensation” for more details regarding the fees that will be paid to our Manager and its affiliates.

Q: Will you use leverage?

A: Yes, we intend to use leverage. Our targeted portfolio-wide leverage, after we have acquired a substantial portfolio, is between 50%-85% of the greater of cost (before deducting depreciation or other non-cash reserves) or fair market value of our assets. During the period when we are acquiring our initial portfolio, we may employ greater leverage on individual assets (that will also result in greater leverage of the initial portfolio) in order to quickly build a diversified portfolio of assets. Please see “Investment Objectives and Strategy” for more details.
**Q: How often will I receive distributions?**

**A:** We do not expect to declare any distributions until the proceeds from our public offering are invested and generating operating cash flow. Once we begin to make distributions, we expect that our Manager will declare and make them on a quarterly basis, or more or less frequently as determined by our Manager, in arrears. Any distributions we make will be at the discretion of our Manager, and will be based on, among other factors, our present and reasonably projected future cash flow. We expect that the Manager will set the rate of distributions at a level that will be reasonably consistent and sustainable over time, which will be fully dependent on the yields generated by our assets.

Our Manager’s discretion as to the payment of distributions will be limited by the REIT distribution requirements, which generally require that we make aggregate annual distributions to our shareholders of at least 90% of our REIT taxable income, computed without regard to the dividends paid deduction and excluding net capital gain. Moreover, even if we make the required minimum distributions under the REIT rules, we will be subject to U.S. federal income and excise taxes on our undistributed taxable income and gains, if any. As a result, the Manager intends to make additional distributions, beyond the minimum REIT distribution, to avoid such potential income and excise taxes. See “Description of Our Common Shares — Distributions” and “U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations.”

Any distributions that we make will directly impact our NAV, by reducing the amount of our assets. Our goal is to provide a reasonably predictable and stable level of current income, through quarterly distributions, while at the same time maintaining a fair level of consistency in our NAV. Over the course of your investment, your distributions plus the change in NAV per share (either positive or negative) will produce your total return.

**Q: What will be the source of your distributions?**

**A:** While our goal is to pay distributions from our cash flow from operations, we may use other sources to fund distributions. Until the proceeds from our public offering are invested and generating operating cash flow, some or all of our distributions may be paid from other sources, including the net proceeds of this offering, cash advances by our Manager, cash resulting from a waiver of fees or reimbursements due to our Manager, borrowings in anticipation of future operating cash flow and the issuance of additional securities. Use of some or all of these sources may reduce the amount of capital we invest in assets and negatively impact the return on your investment and the value of your investment. We have not established a limit on the amount of proceeds we may use to fund distributions. We can provide no assurances that future cash flow will support payment of distributions or the maintenance of distributions at any particular level or at all.

**Q: Will the distributions I receive be taxable as ordinary income?**

**A:** Unless your investment is held in a qualified tax-exempt account or we designate certain distributions as capital gain dividends, distributions that you receive generally will be taxed as ordinary income to the extent they are from current or accumulated earnings and profits. However, for taxable years beginning before January 1, 2026, subject to certain limitations, non-corporate taxpayers are generally eligible for a deduction of up to 20% on most ordinary REIT dividends.

The portion of your distribution in excess of current and accumulated earnings and profits is considered a return of capital for U.S. federal income tax purposes and will reduce the tax basis of your investment, rather than result in current tax, until your basis is reduced to zero. Return of capital distributions made to you in excess of your tax basis in our common shares will be treated as sales proceeds from the sale of our common shares for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Distributions we designate as capital gain dividends will generally be taxable at long-term capital gains rates for U.S. federal income tax purposes. However, because each investor’s tax considerations are different, we recommend that you consult with your tax advisor. You also should review the section of this offering circular entitled “U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations,” including the discussion of the special rules applicable to distributions in redemption of shares and liquidating distributions.

**Q: May I reinvest my cash distributions in additional shares?**

**A:** Yes. While we have not adopted a distribution reinvestment plan whereby investors may elect to have their cash distributions automatically reinvested in additional common shares, so long as this offering remains ongoing, you may choose to use the proceeds of any distribution to purchase additional shares hereunder, either directly or through a program established by our Manager. The purchase price for such shares will be $10.00 until September 30, 2020. Thereafter, the per share purchase price for our common shares will be adjusted at the end of each semi-annual period, or such other period as determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually. Our Manager has initially determined to adjust the per share purchase price in
this offering semi-annually, as of April 1st and October 1st of each year (or as soon as commercially reasonable and announced by us thereafter), to be no less than our NAV divided by the number of our common shares outstanding as of the end of the prior semi-annual period (NAV per share). Our Manager will adjust our per share purchase price as of the date the new NAV is announced, not the date of such NAV, and investors will pay the most recent publicly announced purchase price as of the date of their subscription. Note, however, that under the rules applicable to us under Regulation A, we are only permitted to publicly offer up to $50 million of our common shares in any twelve-month period.
Q: **Who might benefit from an investment in your shares?**

A: An investment in our shares may be beneficial for you if you seek to diversify your personal portfolio with a public commercial real estate investment vehicle focused primarily on investments in commercial real estate, development projects and other select real estate-related assets, seek to receive current income, seek to preserve capital and are able to hold your investment for a time period consistent with our liquidity strategy. On the other hand, we caution persons who require immediate liquidity or guaranteed income, or who seek a short-term investment, that an investment in our shares will not meet those needs.

Q: **Are there any risks involved in buying your shares?**

A: Investing in our common shares involves a high degree of risk. If we are unable to effectively manage the impact of these risks, we may not meet our investment objectives, and therefore, you should purchase these securities only if you can afford a complete loss of your investment. See “Risk Factors” for a description of the risks relating to this offering and an investment in our shares.

Q: **How does a “best efforts” offering work?**

A: When common shares are offered to the public on a “best efforts” basis, we are only required to use our best efforts to sell our common shares. Neither our sponsor, Manager nor any other party has a firm commitment or obligation to purchase any of our common shares (other than our sponsor and its affiliate’s commitment to purchase an aggregate of 1,500 common shares from us at $10.00 per share in private placements).

Q: **Who can buy shares?**

A: Generally, you may purchase shares if you are a “qualified purchaser” (as defined in Regulation A). “Qualified purchasers” include:

- “accredited investors” under Rule 501(a) of Regulation D; and

- all other investors so long as their investment in our common shares does not represent more than 10% of the greater of their annual income or net worth (for natural persons), or 10% of the greater of annual revenue or net assets at fiscal year-end (for non-natural persons).

However, our common shares are being offered and sold only to those investors that are within the latter category (*i.e.*, investors whose investment in our common shares does not represent more than 10% of the applicable amount), regardless of an investor’s status as an “accredited investor.”

Net worth in all cases should be calculated excluding the value of an investor’s home, home furnishings and automobiles. We reserve the right to reject any investor’s subscription in whole or in part for any reason, including if we determine in our sole and absolute discretion that such investor is not a “qualified purchaser” for purposes of Regulation A. Please refer to the section above entitled “State Law Exemption and Purchase Restrictions” for more information.
Q: How do I buy shares?

A: You may purchase our common shares in this offering by creating a new account, or logging into your existing account, at the Fundrise Platform. You will need to fill out a subscription agreement like the one attached to this offering circular as Appendix B for a certain investment amount and pay for the shares at the time you subscribe.

Q: Is there any minimum investment required?

A: Yes. You must initially purchase at least 100 shares in this offering, or $1,000 based on the current per share price. There is no minimum investment requirement on additional purchases after you have purchased a minimum of 100 shares. However, in certain instances, we may revise the minimum purchase requirements in the future or elect to waive the minimum purchase requirement, such as for individuals who participate in different plans established by our Manager through which they can invest in our common shares.

In addition, in order to help protect us from the risk of chargebacks, we intend to require that any subscription in excess of $125,000 of our shares be funded through a bank wire transfer and not an ACH electronic fund transfer.

Q: May I make an investment through my IRA or other tax-deferred retirement account?

A: Generally, yes. We currently accept investments through IRAs maintained with certain custodians, although we intend to limit the amount of IRA investments to less than 25 percent of our shares. However, IRAs or other tax-deferred retirement accounts that invest in our shares generally will be subject to tax on any “unrelated business taxable income” under the Code.

Q: Is there any minimum initial offering amount required to be sold?

A: No.

Q: What will you do with the proceeds from your offering?

A: We expect to use substantially all of the net proceeds from this offering (after paying or reimbursing organization and offering expenses) to invest in and manage a diversified portfolio of assets primarily consisting of investments in commercial real estate and development projects, with such investments consisting of equity interests in such properties or debt, as well as commercial real estate loans, commercial real estate debt securities (including CMBS, CDOs, and REIT senior unsecured debt) and other select real estate-related assets, where the underlying assets primarily consist of such properties. We may make our investments through majority-owned subsidiaries, some of which may have rights to receive preferred economic returns. We expect that any expenses or fees payable to our Manager for its services in connection with managing our daily affairs, including but not limited to, the selection and acquisition or origination of our investments, will be paid from cash flow from operations. If such fees and expenses are not paid from cash flow (or waived) they will reduce the cash available for investment and distribution and will directly impact our NAV. See “Management Compensation” for more details regarding the fees that will be paid to our Manager and its affiliates.

We may not be able to promptly invest the net proceeds of this offering in investments in commercial real estate, development projects and other select real estate-related assets. In the interim, we may invest in short-term, highly liquid or other authorized investments. Such short-term investments will not earn as high of a return as we expect to earn on our real estate-related investments.
Q: How long will this offering last?

A: We currently expect that this offering will remain open for investors until we raise the maximum amount being offered, unless terminated by us at an earlier time. We reserve the right to terminate this offering for any reason at any time.

Q: Will I be notified of how my investment is doing?

A: Yes, we will provide you with periodic updates on the performance of your investment in us, including:

• an annual report;
• a semi-annual report;
• current event reports for specified material events within four business days of their occurrence;
• supplements to the offering circular, if we have material information to disclose to you; and
• other reports that we may file or furnish to the SEC from time to time.

We will provide this information to you by posting such information on the SEC’s website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov), on the Fundrise Platform at [www.fundrise.com](http://www.fundrise.com), or via e-mail.

Q: When will I get my detailed tax information?

A: Your IRS Form 1099-DIV tax information, if required, will be provided by January 31 of the year following each taxable year.

Q: Who can help answer my questions about the offering?

A: If you have more questions about the offering, or if you would like additional copies of this offering circular, you should contact us by email at [investments@fundrise.com](mailto:investments@fundrise.com) or by mail at:

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OFFERING SUMMARY

This offering summary highlights material information regarding our business and this offering that is not otherwise addressed in the “Questions and Answers About this Offering” section of this offering circular. Because it is a summary, it may not contain all of the information that is important to you. To understand this offering fully, you should read the entire offering circular carefully, including the “Risk Factors” section before making a decision to invest in our common shares.

Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC

Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC is a Delaware limited liability company recently formed to invest in and manage a diversified portfolio of assets primarily consisting of investments in commercial real estate, including commercial real estate loans and commercial real estate debt securities, development projects and other select real estate-related assets. We intend to operate in a manner that will allow us to qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Among other requirements, REITs are required to distribute to shareholders at least 90% of their annual REIT taxable income (computed without regard to the dividends paid deduction and excluding net capital gain).

Our office is located at 11 Dupont Circle NW, 9th FL, Washington, D.C. 20036. Our telephone number is (202) 584-0550. Information regarding our Company is also available on our web site at www.fundrise.com.

Investment Strategy

We intend to use substantially all of the proceeds of this offering to originate, acquire, asset manage, operate, selectively leverage, syndicate and opportunistically sell commercial real estate and development projects, with such investments consisting of equity interests in such properties or debt, as well as commercial real estate loans, commercial real estate debt securities (including CMBS, CDOs, and REIT senior unsecured debt) and other select real estate-related assets, where the underlying assets primarily consist of such properties. Our management has extensive experience investing in numerous types of properties. Thus, we may acquire a wide variety of commercial properties, including office, industrial, retail, hospitality, recreation and leisure, single-tenant, multifamily and other real properties. These properties may be existing, income-producing properties, newly constructed properties or properties under development or construction and may include multifamily properties purchased for conversion into condominiums and single-tenant properties that may be converted for multifamily use. We focus on acquiring properties with significant possibilities for capital appreciation, such as those requiring development, redevelopment or repositioning, those located in markets with high growth potential and those available from sellers who are distressed or face time-sensitive deadlines. We also may invest in real estate-related securities, including securities issued by other real estate companies, either for investment or in change of control transactions completed on a negotiated basis or otherwise, and in bridge and mezzanine loans that may lead to an opportunity to purchase a real estate interest. In addition, to the extent that our Manager and its investment committee determines that it is advantageous, we also may make or invest in commercial mortgage-backed securities, mortgage loans and Section 1031 tenant-in-common interests. We expect that our portfolio of debt investments will be secured primarily by U.S. based collateral, primarily commercial real estate properties and development projects, and diversified by security type.

We will seek to create and maintain a portfolio of investments that generate a low volatility income stream of attractive and consistent cash distributions. Our focus on investing in debt and equity instruments will emphasize the payment of current returns to investors and preservation of invested capital as our primary investment objectives, as well as capital appreciation from our investments, as is typically the case with strategies focused exclusively on opportunistic or equity-oriented investments.

For debt investments, our Manager intends to directly structure, underwrite and originate many of the debt products in which we invest, as this provides for the best opportunity to manage our borrower and partner relationships and optimize the terms of our investments. Our proven underwriting process, which our management team has successfully developed over their extensive real estate careers in a variety of market conditions and implemented at our sponsor, will involve comprehensive financial, structural, operational and legal due diligence of our borrowers and partners in order to optimize pricing and structuring and mitigate risk. We feel the current and future market environment (including any existing or future government-sponsored programs) provides a wide range of opportunities to generate compelling investments with strong risk-return profiles for our shareholders.
Investment Objectives

Our primary investment objectives are:

• to realize growth in the value of our investments within approximately five years of the termination of this offering;

• to grow net cash from operations so that an increasing amount of cash flow is available for distributions to investors over the long term;

• to pay attractive and consistent cash distributions;

• to enable investors to realize a return on their investment by beginning the process of liquidating and distributing cash to investors within approximately five years of the termination of this offering, or providing liquidity through alternative means such as in-kind distributions of our own securities or other assets; and

• to preserve, protect and return your capital contribution.

We will also seek to realize growth in the value of our investments by timing their sale to maximize value. However, there is no assurance that our investment objectives will be met.

Market Opportunities

We believe that the near and intermediate-term market for investment in select commercial real estate loans, commercial real estate equity investments, commercial real estate-related debt securities, and other real-estate related assets is compelling from a risk-return perspective. Given the prospect of low growth for the economy, we favor a strategy weighted toward targeting senior and mezzanine debt which maximize current income, with significant subordinate capital and downside structural protections. In contrast, returns typically associated with pure equity strategies are mostly “back-ended” and are dependent on asset appreciation, capitalization rate compression, cash flow growth, aggressive refinancing and/or sale of the underlying property. We believe that our investment strategy, combined with the experience and expertise of our Manager’s management team, will provide opportunities to originate investments with attractive current and accrued returns and strong structural features directly with local, joint venture real estate companies, thereby taking advantage of changing market conditions in order to seek the best risk-return dynamic for our shareholders.

Our Manager

Fundrise Advisors, LLC, our Manager, manages our day-to-day operations. Our Manager is an investment adviser registered with the SEC and a wholly-owned subsidiary of our sponsor. Registration with the SEC does not imply a certain level of skill or training. A team of real estate and debt finance professionals, acting through our Manager, will make all the decisions regarding the selection, negotiation, financing and disposition of our investments, subject to the limitations in our operating agreement. Our Manager will also provide asset management, marketing, investor relations and other administrative services on our behalf with the goal of maximizing our operating cash flow and preserving our invested capital. Rise Companies Corp., our sponsor, is able to exercise significant control over our business.
About the Fundrise Platform

We are also an affiliate of Fundrise, LLC, the owner and operator of the Fundrise Platform, an online financial platform focused on real estate, which may be found on the website: www.fundrise.com. Fundrise, LLC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Rise Companies Corp., our sponsor.

Benjamin S. Miller, the co-founder and Chief Executive Officer of Rise Companies Corp., is responsible for overseeing the day-to-day operations of Rise Companies Corp. and its affiliates, including Fundrise, LLC.

Our Structure

The chart below shows the relationship among various Rise Companies Corp. affiliates and our Company as of the date of this offering circular.

* Pursuant to our operating agreement, the Manager will receive an asset management fee and, with respect to debt investments, if any, a reimbursement of special servicing expenses. See “Management Compensation.”
Management Compensation

Our Manager and its affiliates will receive fees and expense reimbursements for services relating to this offering and the investment and management of our assets. The items of compensation are summarized in the following table. Neither our Manager nor its affiliates will receive any selling commissions or dealer manager fees in connection with the offer and sale of our common shares. See “Management Compensation” for a more detailed explanation of the fees and expenses payable to our Manager and its affiliates.

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<td>Our Manager will pay organization and offering expenses on our behalf in connection with the offering of our shares. We will reimburse our Manager for these costs and future organization and offering costs it may incur on our behalf.</td>
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<td>Acquisition / Origination Fee — Sponsor or its Affiliate (2)</td>
<td>Up to 2.00% of any amounts funded by us, our sponsor or affiliates of our sponsor to acquire or originate real estate properties, excluding any acquisition and origination expenses and any debt attributable to such investments. To the extent we invest in commercial real estate loans, the borrower will pay up to 2.00% of the amount funded by us, our sponsor or affiliates of our sponsor to acquire or originate such commercial real estate loans. We will not be entitled to these fees.</td>
<td>Paid by the co-investors, joint-venture, borrower or property holding entity at closing. Actual amounts are dependent upon the total equity and debt capital we raise; we cannot determine these amounts at the present time.</td>
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<td>Reimbursement of Acquisition / Origination Expenses — Manager</td>
<td>We will reimburse our Manager for actual expenses incurred in connection with the selection, acquisition or origination of an investment, to the extent not reimbursed by the borrower in connection with any debt investments we may make, whether or not we ultimately acquire or originate the investment.</td>
<td>Actual amounts are dependent upon the offering proceeds we raise (and any leverage we employ); we cannot determine these amounts at the present time.</td>
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<td><strong>Asset Management Fee — Manager (3)</strong></td>
<td>Quarterly asset management fee equal to an annualized rate of 0.85%, which, until September 30, 2020, will be based on our net offering proceeds as of the end of each quarter, and thereafter will be based on our NAV at the end of each prior semi-annual period (or such other period as determined by the Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually). This rate is determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but cannot exceed an annualized rate of 1.00%. The amount of the asset management fee may vary from time to time, and we will publicly report any changes in the asset management fee. To mitigate the effect of our lack of assets, revenue and operating history, our Manager has agreed, for a period until June 30, 2020 (the “fee waiver period”), to waive its asset management fee during the fee waiver period. Following the conclusion of the fee waiver period, our Manager may, in its sole discretion, waive its asset management fee, in whole or in part. The Manager will forfeit any portion of the asset management fee that is waived.</td>
<td>Actual amounts are dependent upon the offering proceeds we raise (and any leverage we employ) and the results of our operations; we cannot determine these amounts at the present time.</td>
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<td><strong>Reimbursement of Other Operating Expenses — Manager</strong></td>
<td>We will reimburse our Manager for out-of-pocket expenses paid to third parties in connection with providing services to us. This does not include the Manager’s overhead, employee costs borne by the Manager, utilities or technology costs. The expense reimbursements that we will pay to our Manager also include expenses incurred by our sponsor in the performance of services under the shared services agreement between our Manager and our sponsor, including any increases in insurance attributable to the management or operation of our Company.</td>
<td>Actual amounts are dependent upon the results of our operations; we cannot determine these amounts at the present time.</td>
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(1) At the election of our Manager we will start to reimburse our Manager, without interest, for these organization and offering costs incurred both before and after such date. Reimbursement payments will be made in monthly installments, but the aggregate monthly amount reimbursed can never exceed 0.50% of the aggregate gross offering proceeds from this and our prior offering; provided, however, no reimbursement will be made which, as a result of the reimbursement, would cause the net asset value to be less than $10.00 per share. If the sum of the total unreimbursed amount of such organization and offering costs, plus new costs incurred since the last reimbursement payment, exceeds the reimbursement limit described above for the applicable monthly installment, the excess will
be eligible for reimbursement in subsequent months (subject to the 0.50% limit), calculated on an accumulated basis, until our Manager has been reimbursed in full.
(2) The acquisition/origination fee paid to our sponsor by the joint venture, co-investors, borrowers or property holding entity, is a percentage of the purchase price of an investment or the amount funded by us to acquire or originate a loan.

(3) Our Manager in its sole discretion may defer or waive any fee or reimbursements payable to it under the operating agreement. All or any portion of any deferred fees or reimbursements will be deferred without interest and paid when the Manager determines.

As part of its mission to drive down the overall costs regarding the construction, real estate development, special servicing, and sale of assets, the Manager intends to perform some or all of these functions in house in-lieu of outsourcing to a third-party consultant. In the event that the Manager performs these tasks, it will be entitled to receive compensation as described below, which the Manager believes is at or below the cost that would be incurred by retaining an independent third-party. See “Management Compensation” for a more detailed explanation of the fees and expenses payable to our Manager and its affiliates.

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<td><strong>Construction and Development Fee - Manager or Other Party</strong></td>
<td>A construction oversight and development management fee of 5.00% of the total development costs, excluding property; however, we do not intend to charge such development management fee unless it is net of the fee being charged by the developer of the project. Our Manager may, in its sole discretion, waive its development management fee, in whole or in part. The Manager will forfeit any portion of the development management fee that is waived.</td>
<td>Actual amounts are dependent upon the development costs of the individual projects; we cannot determine these amounts at the present time.</td>
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<td><strong>Reimbursement of Special Servicing Expenses – Manager or Other Party</strong></td>
<td>We will reimburse our Manager for actual expenses incurred on our behalf in connection with the special servicing of non-performing assets, including, but not limited to, reimbursement of non-ordinary expenses and employee time required to special service a non-performing asset. Whether an asset is deemed to be non-performing is in the sole discretion of our Manager.</td>
<td>Actual amounts are dependent upon the occurrence of an asset becoming non-performing, the original value of such asset, and the results of our operations; we cannot determine these amounts at the present time.</td>
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<td><strong>Disposition Fees – Manager or Other Party</strong></td>
<td>We will reimburse our Manager for actual expenses incurred on our behalf in connection with the liquidation of equity investments in real estate, and we will pay up to 1.50% of the gross proceeds from such sale if our Manager is acting as the real estate developer or is engaged by the developer to sell the project. Whether to liquidate an equity investment in real estate is in the sole discretion of our Manager.</td>
<td>Actual amounts are dependent upon the price at which we sell or otherwise liquidate our investments; we cannot determine these amounts at the present time.</td>
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Example of Certain Estimated Fees in Our First Fiscal Year

In our first fiscal year, assuming we are successful in raising the maximum offering amount of $50 million of our common shares, and our sponsor and an affiliate of our sponsor fulfilled their commitment to purchase $15,000 of our common shares, we will have $49,665,000 available for future property acquisitions after deducting organization and offering costs, which are expected to be $350,000. As none of the other funds sponsored by our sponsor have utilized leverage in the past, we do not currently expect to use leverage at the Company-level (other than short-term borrowings) with respect to our investments. On that basis, if we invest the $49,665,000, then we would be able to invest approximately $49,665,000 in assets. Leverage at the property-level (as well as short-term leverage at the Company-level) has an immaterial effect on the investment amount on which the acquisition/origination fee and asset management fees are calculated.

If 100% of these purchases are investments subject to the 2.0% acquisition/origination fee, the acquisition/origination fee (which is based on the investment amount funded by us) on such investments would equal $993,300. While our sponsor has agreed to waive its asset management fee through June 30, 2020, assuming our net offering proceeds equal $49,665,000, the annualized asset management fee would equal $422,152.50 (0.85% of net offering proceeds or NAV, the metric upon which the asset management fee is based).

Summary of Risk Factors

Investing in our common shares involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully review the “Risk Factors” section of this offering circular, beginning on page 29, which contains a detailed discussion of the material risks that you should consider before you invest in our common shares.

Conflicts of Interest

Our Manager and its affiliates will experience conflicts of interest in connection with the management of our business. Some of the material conflicts that our Manager and its affiliates will face include the following:

- The asset management fee that will be paid to our Manager will be based on our NAV, which will be calculated by our sponsor’s internal accountants and asset management team. Our Manager may benefit by us retaining ownership of our assets at times when our shareholders may be better served by the sale or disposition of our assets in order to avoid a reduction in our NAV.

- Our sponsor’s real estate professionals acting on behalf of our Manager must determine which investment opportunities to recommend to us and other Fundrise entities. Our sponsor has previously organized, as of the date of this offering circular, the following similar programs (eREITs® and eFunds™):

  - Fundrise Real Estate Investment Trust, LLC (the “Income eREIT®”), Fundrise Income eREIT II, LLC (the “Income eREIT® II”), Fundrise Income eREIT III, LLC (the “Income eREIT® III”), Fundrise Income eREIT 2019, LLC (the “Income eREIT® 2019”), Fundrise Income eREIT V, LLC (the “Income eREIT® V”), and Fundrise Income eREIT VI, LLC (the “Income eREIT® VI”), which were formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio of commercial real estate investments through the acquisition of commercial real estate loans;

  - Fundrise Equity REIT, LLC (the “Growth eREIT®”), Fundrise Growth eREIT II, LLC (the “Growth eREIT® II”), Fundrise Growth eREIT III, LLC (the “Growth eREIT® III”), Fundrise Growth eREIT 2019, LLC (the “Growth eREIT® 2019”), Fundrise Growth eREIT V, LLC (the “Growth eREIT® V”), and Fundrise Growth eREIT VI, LLC (the “Growth eREIT® VI”), which were formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio of commercial real estate properties;
Fundrise Midland Opportunistic REIT, LLC (the “Heartland eREIT®”), which was formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio primarily consisting of investments in multifamily rental properties and development projects located primarily in the Houston, TX, Dallas, TX, Austin, TX, Chicago, IL, and Denver, CO metropolitan statistical areas;

Fundrise West Coast Opportunistic REIT, LLC (the “West Coast eREIT®”), which was formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio primarily consisting of investments in multifamily rental properties and development projects located primarily in the Los Angeles, CA, San Francisco, CA, San Diego, CA, Seattle, WA, and Portland, OR metropolitan statistical areas;

Fundrise East Coast Opportunistic REIT, LLC (the “East Coast eREIT®”), which was formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio primarily consisting of investments in multifamily rental properties and development projects located primarily in the states of Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, as well as the metropolitan statistical areas of Washington, DC and Philadelphia, PA.

Fundrise For-Sale Housing eFUND – Los Angeles CA, LLC (the “LA Homes eFund™”), which was formed to acquire property for the development of for-sale housing in the Los Angeles, CA metropolitan statistical area;

Fundrise For-Sale Housing eFUND – Washington DC, LLC (the “DC Homes eFund™”), which was formed to acquire property for the development of for-sale housing in the Washington, DC metropolitan statistical area; and

Fundrise National For-Sale Housing eFUND, LLC (the “National eFund™”), which was formed to acquire property for the development of for-sale housing in the metropolitan statistical areas in which our sponsor is not currently sponsoring another regionally or locally focused eFund™, or to acquire assets in such regions that are not currently the focus of another eFund™.

These additional Fundrise Platform investment opportunities may have investment criteria that compete with us.

- Our sponsor’s real estate and debt finance professionals acting on behalf of our Manager will have to allocate their time among us, our sponsor’s business and other programs and activities in which they are involved.

- The terms of our operating agreement (including the Manager’s rights and obligations and the compensation payable to our Manager and its affiliates) were not negotiated at arm’s length.

- Our shareholders may only remove our Manager for “cause” following the affirmative vote of shareholders holding two-thirds of the outstanding common shares. Unsatisfactory financial performance does not constitute “cause” under the operating agreement.

- At some future date after we have acquired a substantial investment portfolio that our Manager determines would be most effectively managed by our own personnel, we may seek shareholder approval to internalize our management by acquiring assets and employing the key real estate and debt finance professionals performing services to us on behalf of our Manager for consideration that would be negotiated at that time. The payment of such consideration could result in dilution to your interest in us and could reduce the net income per share and funds from operations per share attributable to your investment. Additionally, in an internalization transaction, our sponsor’s real estate and debt finance professionals that become our employees may receive more compensation than they previously received from our sponsor or its affiliates. These possibilities may provide incentives to these individuals to pursue an internalization transaction, even if an alternative strategy might otherwise be in our shareholder’s best interests.
• Our Manager may, without shareholder consent unless otherwise required by law, determine that we should merge or consolidate through a roll-up or other similar transaction involving other entities, including entities affiliated with our Manager, into or with such other entities.

• As a non-listed company conducting an exempt offering pursuant to Regulation A, we are not subject to a number of corporate governance requirements, including the requirements for a board of directors or independent board committees.

Distributions

We do not expect to declare any distributions until the proceeds from our public offering are invested and generating operating cash flow. In addition, to the extent we invest in development or redevelopment projects or in properties that have significant capital requirements, these properties may not immediately generate cash flow from operations. Thus, our ability to make distributions may be negatively impacted, especially during our early periods of operation.

Once we begin to make distributions, we expect that our Manager will declare and make them on a quarterly basis, or more or less frequently as determined by our Manager, in arrears. Any distributions we make will be at the discretion of our Manager, and will be based on, among other factors, our present and reasonably projected future cash flow. We expect that the Manager will set the rate of distributions at a level that will be reasonably consistent and sustainable over time. Distributions will be paid to shareholders as of the record dates selected by the Manager.

The Manager’s discretion as to the payment of distributions will be limited by the REIT distribution requirements, which generally require that we make aggregate annual distributions to our shareholders of at least 90% of our REIT taxable income, computed without regard to the dividends paid deduction and excluding net capital gain. Moreover, even if we make the required minimum distributions under the REIT rules, we will be subject to U.S. federal income and excise taxes on our undistributed taxable income and gains, if any. As a result, the Manager also intends to make such additional distributions, beyond the minimum REIT distribution, to avoid such potential income and excise taxes. See “Description of Our Common Shares — Distributions” and “U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations.”

While our goal is to pay distributions from our cash flow from operations, we may use other sources to fund distributions. Until the proceeds from our public offering are invested and generating operating cash flow, some or all of our distributions may be paid from other sources, including the net proceeds of this offering, cash advances by our Manager, cash resulting from a waiver of fees or reimbursements due to our Manager, borrowings in anticipation of future operating cash flow and the issuance of additional securities. Use of some or all of these sources may reduce the amount of capital we invest in assets and negatively impact the return on your investment and the value of your investment. We have not established a limit on the amount of proceeds we may use to fund distributions. We can provide no assurances that future cash flow will support payment of distributions or maintaining distributions at any particular level or at all.

Any distributions that we make will directly impact our NAV, by reducing the amount of our assets. Our goal will be to provide a reasonably predictable and stable level of current income, through quarterly or other periodic distributions, while at the same time maintaining a fair level of consistency in our NAV. Over the course of your investment, your distributions plus the change in NAV per share (either positive or negative) will produce your total return.

Our distributions generally will constitute a return of capital to the extent that they exceed our current and accumulated earnings and profits as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes. To the extent that a distribution is treated as a return of capital for U.S. federal income tax purposes, it will reduce a holder’s adjusted tax basis in the holder’s shares, and to the extent that it exceeds the holder’s adjusted tax basis, it will be treated as gain resulting from a sale or exchange of such shares.
Borrowing Policy

We may employ conservative levels of borrowing in order to provide additional funds to support our investment activities. Our target portfolio-wide leverage after we have acquired an initial substantial portfolio of diversified investments is between 50%-85 of the greater of cost (before deducting depreciation or other non-cash reserves) or fair market value of our assets. During the period when we are beginning our operations and growing our portfolio, we may employ greater leverage on individual assets (that will also result in greater leverage of the initial portfolio) in order to quickly build a diversified portfolio of assets. Our Manager may from time to time modify our leverage policy in its discretion in light of then-current economic conditions, relative costs of debt and equity capital, market values of our properties, general conditions in the market for debt and equity securities, growth and acquisition opportunities or other factors. However, other than during our initial period of operations, it is our policy to not borrow more than 85% of the greater of cost (before deducting depreciation or other non-cash reserves) or fair market value of our assets. We cannot exceed the leverage limit of our leverage policy unless any excess in borrowing over such level is approved by our Manager’s investment committee. See “Investment Objectives and Strategy” for more details regarding our leverage policies.

Valuation Policies

We intend to engage an independent valuation expert with expertise in appraising commercial real estate loans and assets or receive an independent valuation expert report at the time each loan or asset is acquired in order to provide valuations of certain commercial real estate assets and investments, including related liabilities, that are set forth in reports of the underlying real estate, and to adjust those valuations for events known to the independent valuation expert that it believes are likely to have a material impact on previously provided estimates of the value, to the extent applicable, of the affected commercial real estate assets and investments and related liabilities. Our real estate assets will consist primarily of a diversified portfolio of commercial real estate loans, commercial real estate and other real estate-related assets where the underlying collateral is typically commercial real estate or security interests therein. Our commercial real estate related liabilities will consist primarily of related party loans and participation interests. In addition, our assets will include liquid assets and securities classified as held to maturity, which are not valued by our independent valuation expert, and cash and cash equivalents. We will amortize asset acquisition costs over the duration of the real estate asset. In the instances of assets with uncertain durations, we will amortize asset acquisition costs over five years. Our liabilities will include accrued fees and operating expenses, accrued distributions payable, accrued management fees and, to the extent we are using margin, trade payables incurred in the ordinary course of business, which are estimated by our Manager. Our Manager will be responsible for ensuring that the independent valuation expert discharges its responsibilities in accordance with our valuation guidelines, and will periodically receive and review such information about the valuation of our assets and liabilities as it deems necessary to exercise its oversight responsibility.

At the end of each semi-annual period (or such other period as determined by the Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually), beginning September 30, 2020, our sponsor’s internal accountants calculate our NAV per share using a process that reflects (1) estimated values of each of our commercial real estate assets and investments, including related liabilities, based upon (a) market capitalization rates, comparable sales information, interest rates, net operating income, (b) with respect to debt, default rates, discount rates and loss severity rates, (c) for properties that have development or value add plans, progress along such development or value add plan, and (d) in certain instances, reports of the underlying real estate provided by an independent valuation expert, (2) the price of liquid assets for which third party market quotes are available, (3) accruals of our periodic distributions and (4) estimated accruals of our operating revenues and expenses. For joint venture or direct equity investments, the sponsor primarily relies on the discounted cash flow method. Under the discounted cash flow method, our sponsor’s asset management team will calculate the distributions due to the respective investment based on a property-level pro forma measured against ongoing actual performance over the projected likely-hold period. The sponsor’s asset management team will then discount future cash-flow projections at an appropriate market levered-discount rate to determine present value, which value is considered the net asset value of the investment. The sponsor may alternatively apply the hypothetical sales method to value its investments. Under this approach, our sponsor’s asset management team will assume (i) the sale of the property at a price equal to the concluded property value, (ii) the liquidation of any additional assets after paying all liabilities, and (iii) the distribution of the net sale proceeds to investors. The distributed amount is considered the net asset value of each respective investment. For debt and fixed-return preferred equity investment, assuming no material adverse change in the property, the sponsor’s asset management team will mark these investments to their cost basis (including any accrued unpaid interest). If there were to be material adverse changes in these properties, the asset management team intends to value these investments using the hypothetical sales method described above. For our investments that have closed within three to nine months and no material changes have occurred from the original underwriting, our sponsor’s asset management team will typically apply the original property purchase price (or pre-closing third party appraisal value) for the property valuation, and the investment cost basis for the investment-level valuation.
Note, however, that the determination of our NAV is not based on, nor intended to comply with, fair value standards under GAAP, and our NAV may not be indicative of the price that we would receive for our assets at current market conditions. In instances where we determine that an appraisal of the real estate asset is necessary, including, but not limited to, instances where our Manager is unsure of its ability on its own to accurately determine the estimated values of our commercial real estate assets and investments, or instances where third party market values for comparable properties are either nonexistent or extremely inconsistent, we will engage an appraiser that has expertise in appraising commercial real estate assets, to act as our independent valuation expert. The independent valuation expert will not be responsible for, nor for preparing, our semi-annual NAV per share.

As there is no market value for our common shares as they are not expected to be listed or traded on any stock exchange or other marketplace, our goal is to provide a reasonable estimate of the value of our common shares on a semi-annual basis (or such other periodic basis as determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually). However, the majority of our assets will consist of commercial real estate and, as with any commercial real estate valuation protocol, the conclusions reached by our sponsor’s internal asset management team or internal accountants, as the case may be, will be based on a number of judgments, assumptions and opinions about future events that may or may not prove to be correct. The use of different judgments, assumptions or opinions would likely result in different estimates of the value of our commercial real estate assets and investments. In addition, for any given period, our published NAV per share may not fully reflect certain material events, to the extent that the financial impact of such events on our portfolio is not immediately quantifiable. Note, however, that the determination of our NAV is not based on, nor intended to comply with, fair value standards under GAAP, and our NAV may not be indicative of the price that we would receive for our assets at current market conditions. As a result, the calculation of our NAV per share may not reflect the precise amount that might be paid for your shares in a market transaction, and any potential disparity in our NAV per share may be in favor of either shareholders who redeem their shares, or shareholders who buy new shares, or existing shareholders. However, to the extent quantifiable, if a material event occurs in between updates of NAV that would cause our NAV per share to change by 5% or more from the last disclosed NAV, we will disclose the updated price and the reason for the change in an offering circular supplement as promptly as reasonably practicable, and will update the NAV information provided on our website.

Share Price Adjustments

Our Manager set our initial offering price at $10.00 per share, which will be the purchase price of our common shares until September 30, 2020. Thereafter, the per share purchase price for our common shares will be adjusted at the end of each semi-annual period, or such other period as determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually. Our Manager has initially determined to adjust the per share purchase price in this offering semi-annually, as of April 1st and October 1st of each year (or as soon as commercially reasonable and announced by us thereafter), to be no less than our NAV divided by the number of our common shares outstanding as of the end of the prior semi-annual period (NAV per share), in each case prior to giving effect to any share purchases or redemptions to be effected on such day. Our Manager will adjust our per share purchase price as of the date the new NAV is announced, not the date of such NAV, and investors will pay the most recent publicly announced purchase price as of the date of their subscription.

Beginning after September 30, 2020, we will file with the SEC an offering circular supplement disclosing the determination of our NAV per share that will be applicable from the date following the date of the supplement disclosing the new NAV until the filing of the next NAV supplement, which we refer to as the pricing supplement. We will file the pricing supplement at the end of each semi-annual period (or at the end of such other period for which our Manager has determined to calculate our NAV). We will also post that period’s NAV on the public Fundrise Platform, www.fundrise.com. The Fundrise Platform will also contain this offering circular, including any supplements and amendments. We will disclose, on a semi-annual basis (or such other periodic basis as determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually) an offering circular supplement filed with the SEC, the principal valuation components of our NAV. In addition, if a material event occurs in between updates of NAV that would cause our NAV per share to change by 5% or more from the last disclosed NAV, we will disclose the updated price and the reason for the change in an offering circular supplement as promptly as reasonably practicable, and will update the NAV information provided on our website.
Any subscriptions that we receive prior to filing of the pricing supplement disclosing our NAV adjustment will be executed at a price equal to our then currently disclosed NAV per share. Thus, even if settlement occurs in the following period for which NAV is calculated, the purchase price for the shares will be the price in effect at the time the subscription was received.

**Redemption Plan**

Our common shares are currently not listed on a national securities exchange or included for quotation on a national securities market, and currently there is no intention to list our common shares. In order to provide our shareholders with some limited liquidity, we have adopted a redemption plan to enable shareholders to redeem their common shares in limited circumstances. We will not solicit redemptions under this redemption plan, other than through our offering circular and any supplements or amendments thereto disclosing our NAV per share. Shareholders desiring to request redemption of their common shares must do so of their own volition and not at our behest, invitation or encouragement. Our role in effectuating redemptions under the redemption plan will solely be ministerial.

While shareholders should view this investment as long-term, we have adopted a redemption plan whereby, on an ongoing basis, an investor has the opportunity to obtain liquidity. Our Manager has designed our redemption plan with a view towards providing investors with an initial period with which to decide whether a long-term investment in our Company is right for them. In addition, despite the illiquid nature of the assets expected to be held by our Company, our Manager believes it is best to provide the opportunity for ongoing liquidity in the event shareholders need it.

Pursuant to our redemption plan, a shareholder may only (a) have one outstanding redemption request at any given time and (b) request that we redeem up to the lesser of 5,000 shares or $50,000 per each redemption request. In addition, the redemption plan is subject to certain liquidity limitations, which may fluctuate depending on the liquidity of the real estate assets held by us.

The calculation of the redemption price will depend, in part, on whether a shareholder requests redemption in the Introductory Period or Post-Introductory Period.

During the Introductory Period, the per share redemption price will be equal to the purchase price of the shares being redeemed reduced by (i) the aggregate sum of distributions paid with respect to such shares, rounded down to the nearest cent and (ii) the aggregate sum of distributions, if any, declared but unpaid on the shares subject to the redemption request. In other words, a shareholder would receive back their original investment amount, from the redemption price paid, prior distributions received and distributions that have been declared (and that will be received when paid), but would not receive any amounts in excess of their original investment amount.

During the Post-Introductory Period, the per share redemption price will be calculated based on a declining discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request, and rounded down to the nearest cent. In addition, the redemption plan is subject to certain liquidity limitations, which may fluctuate depending on the liquidity of the real estate assets held by us. During the Post-Introductory Period, the redemption price with respect to the common shares that are subject to the redemption request will not be reduced by the aggregate sum of distributions, if any, that have been (i) paid with respect to such shares prior to the date of the redemption request or (ii) declared but unpaid on such shares with record dates during the period between the redemption request date and the redemption date.
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1) The Effective Redemption Price will be rounded down to the nearest $0.01.
2) The Effective Redemption Price during the Introductory Period is calculated based upon the purchase price of the shares, not the per share price in effect at the time of the redemption request.
3) The Effective Redemption Price during the Introductory Period will be reduced by the aggregate sum of distributions paid or payable on such shares, the amount of which we are unable to calculate at this time.
4) For shares held at least ninety (90) days but less than three (3) years, the Effective Redemption Price includes the fixed 3% discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.
5) For shares held at least three (3) years but less than four (4) years, the Effective Redemption Price includes the fixed 2% discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.
6) For shares held at least four (4) years but less than five (5) years, the Effective Redemption Price includes the fixed 1% discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.
7) For shares held at least five (5) years, the Effective Redemption Price does not include any discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.

As shareholders must observe a minimum sixty (60) day waiting period following a redemption request before such request will be honored, whether a redemption request is deemed to be in the Introductory Period or the Post-Introductory Period will be determined as of the date the redemption request is made, not the date the redemption request is honored. Meaning, for example, if a redemption request is submitted during the Introductory Period, but honored after the Introductory Period, the effective redemption price will be determined using the Introductory Period methodology.

Redemption of our common shares may be requested at any time upon written request to us at least sixty (60) days prior to the redemption date; provided, however, written requests for common shares to be redeemed during the Introductory Period must be delivered to our Manager prior to the end of such shareholder’s Introductory Period. Our Manager intends to provide notice of redemption by the end of the first month following the sixtieth (60th) day after the submission of the redemption request, with an effective redemption date no earlier than the sixtieth (60th) day following the submission of the redemption request, and expects to remit the redemption price within three (3) business days (but generally no more than five (5) business days) of the effective redemption date. Shareholders may withdraw their redemption request at any time prior to the redemption date.

We cannot guarantee that the funds set aside for the redemption plan will be sufficient to accommodate all requests made in any given time period. In the event our Manager determines, in its sole discretion, that we do not have sufficient funds available to redeem all of the common shares for which redemption requests have been submitted during any given month, such pending requests will be honored on a pro-rata basis, if at all. In the event that not all redemptions are being honored in a given month, the redemption requests not fully honored will have the remaining amount of such redemption requests considered on the next month in which redemptions are being honored. Accordingly, all unsatisfied redemption requests will be treated as requests for redemption on the next date on which redemptions are being honored, with redemptions being processed pro-rata, if at all. If funds available for the redemption plan are not sufficient to accommodate all redemption requests on such future redemption date, common shares will be redeemed on a pro-rata basis, if at all.
We intend to limit common shareholders to one (1) redemption request outstanding at any given time, meaning that, if a common shareholder desires to request more or less shares to be redeemed, such common shareholder must first withdraw the first redemption request, which may affect whether the request is considered in the Introductory Period” or “Post-Introductory Period.” For investors who hold common shares with more than one record date, redemption requests will be applied to such common shares in the order in which they settled, on a last in first out basis – meaning, those common shares that have been continuously held for the shortest amount of time will be redeemed first. In addition, we intend to limit individual redemption requests to the lesser of 5,000 shares or $50,000 per each redemption request, which may affect whether the entirety of a redemption request will be considered to be in the “Introductory Period” or “Post-Introductory Period.” In the event of a conflict between the minimum and maximum amounts that may be redeemed, the maximum dollar amount allowable will control.

In light of the SEC’s current guidance on redemption plans, we generally intend to limit redemptions in any calendar month to shares whose aggregate value (based on the repurchase price per share in effect as of the redemption date) is less than or equal to 0.5% of the NAV of all of our outstanding shares as of the first day of such calendar month, and generally intend to limit the amount redeemed in any calendar quarter to shares whose aggregate value (based on the repurchase price per share in effect as of the redemption date) is 1.25% of the NAV of all of our outstanding shares as of first day of the last month of such calendar quarter (e.g., March 1, June 1, September 1, or December 1), with excess capacity carried over to later calendar quarters in that calendar year. However, as we intend to make a number of commercial real estate investments of varying terms and maturities, our Manager may elect to increase or decrease the amount of common shares available for redemption in any given month or quarter, as these commercial real estate assets are paid off or sold, but we do not intend to redeem more than 5.00% of the common shares outstanding during any calendar year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, we are not obligated to redeem common shares under the redemption plan.

In addition, our Manager may, in its sole discretion, amend, suspend, or terminate the redemption plan at any time without prior notice, including to protect our operations and our non-redeemed shareholders, to prevent an undue burden on our liquidity, to preserve our status as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, following any material decrease in our NAV, or for any other reason. However, in the event that we amend, suspend or terminate our redemption plan, we will file an offering circular supplement and/or Form 1-U, as appropriate, and post such information on the Fundrise Platform to disclose such amendment. Our Manager may also, in its sole discretion, decline any particular redemption request if it believes such action is necessary to preserve our status as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Therefore, you may not have the opportunity to make a redemption request prior to any potential termination of our redemption plan.

Please refer to the section entitled “Description of Our Common Shares—Redemption Plan” for more information.

Liquidity Event

Subject to then existing market conditions, we may consider alternatives to our liquidation as a means for providing liquidity to our shareholders within approximately five to seven years from the one-year anniversary of the qualification of this offering. While we expect to seek a liquidity transaction in this time frame, there can be no assurance that a suitable transaction will be available or that market conditions for a transaction will be favorable during that time frame. Our Manager has the discretion to consider a liquidity transaction at any time if it determines such event to be in our best interests. A liquidity transaction could consist of a sale or partial sale of our assets, a sale or merger of our Company, a consolidation transaction with other companies managed by our Manager or its affiliates, a listing of our shares on a national securities exchange or a similar transaction. We do not have a stated term, as we believe setting a finite date for a possible, but uncertain future liquidity transaction may result in actions that are not necessarily in the best interest or within the expectations of our shareholders.

Voting Rights

Our common shareholders will have voting rights only with respect to certain matters, primarily relating to amendments to our operating agreement that would adversely change the rights of the common shares, removal of our Manager for “cause,” and the dissolution of the issuer (only if the Manager has been removed for “cause”). Each outstanding common share entitles the holder to one vote on all matters submitted to a vote of common shareholders. Our shareholders do not elect or vote on our Manager, and, unlike the holders of common shares in a corporation, have only limited voting rights on matters affecting our business, and therefore limited ability to influence decisions regarding our business. For additional information, see “Description of Our Common Shares—Voting Rights.”
Other Governance Matters

Other than the limited shareholder voting rights described above, our operating agreement vests most other decisions relating to our assets and to the business of our Company, including decisions relating to acquisitions, originations and dispositions, the engagement of asset managers, the issuance of securities in our Company including additional common shares, mergers, dispositions, roll-up transactions, and other decisions relating to our business, in our Manager. See “Management” for more information about the rights and responsibilities of our Manager.

Investment Company Act Considerations

We intend to conduct our operations so that neither we, nor any of our subsidiaries, is required to register as investment companies under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, or the Investment Company Act. Section 3(a)(1)(A) of the Investment Company Act defines an investment company as any issuer that is or holds itself out as being engaged primarily in the business of investing, reinvesting or trading in securities. Section 3(a)(1)(C) of the Investment Company Act defines an investment company as any issuer that is engaged or proposes to engage in the business of investing, reinvesting, owning, holding or trading in securities and owns or proposes to acquire investment securities having a value exceeding 40% of the value of the issuer’s total assets (exclusive of U.S. Government securities and cash items) on an unconsolidated basis, which we refer to as the 40% test. Excluded from the term “investment securities,” among other things, are U.S. Government securities and securities issued by majority-owned subsidiaries that are not themselves investment companies and are not relying on the exception from the definition of investment company set forth in Section 3(c)(1) or Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

We anticipate that we will hold real estate and real estate-related assets described below (i) directly, (ii) through wholly-owned subsidiaries, (iii) through majority-owned joint venture subsidiaries, and, (iv) to a lesser extent, through minority-owned joint venture subsidiaries.

We expect to use substantially all of the net proceeds from this offering (after paying or reimbursing organization and offering expenses) to invest in and manage a diversified portfolio of assets primarily consisting of investments in commercial real estate and development projects, with such investments consisting of equity interests in such properties or debt, as well as commercial real estate loans, commercial real estate debt securities (including CMBS, CDOs, and REIT senior unsecured debt) and other select real estate-related assets, where the underlying assets primarily consist of such properties.

We will monitor our compliance with the 40% test and the holdings of our subsidiaries to ensure that each of our subsidiaries is in compliance with an applicable exemption or exclusion from registration as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

The securities issued by any wholly-owned or majority-owned subsidiary that we may form and that are excluded from the definition of “investment company” based on Section 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, together with any other investment securities we may own, may not have a value in excess of 40% of the value of our total assets on an unconsolidated basis.

The Investment Company Act defines a majority-owned subsidiary of a person as a company 50% or more of the outstanding voting securities of which are owned by such person, or by another company which is a majority-owned subsidiary of such person. We treat companies in which we own at least a majority of the outstanding voting securities as majority-owned subsidiaries. The determination of whether an entity is a majority-owned subsidiary of our Company is made by us. We also treat subsidiaries of which we or our wholly-owned or majority-owned subsidiary is the manager (in a manager-managed entity) or managing member (in a member-managed entity) or in which our agreement or the agreement of our wholly-owned or majority-owned subsidiary is required for all major decisions affecting the subsidiaries (referred to herein as “Controlled Subsidiaries”), as majority-owned subsidiaries even though none of the interests issued by such Controlled Subsidiaries meets the definition of voting securities under the Investment Company Act. We reached our conclusion on the basis that the interests issued by the Controlled Subsidiaries are the functional equivalent of voting securities. We have not asked the SEC staff for concurrence of our analysis and it is possible that the SEC staff could disagree with any of our determinations. If the SEC staff were to disagree with our treatment of one or more companies as majority-owned subsidiaries, we would need to adjust our strategy and our assets. Any such adjustment in our strategy could have a material adverse effect on us.
We believe that neither we nor certain of our subsidiaries will be considered investment companies for purposes of Section 3(a)(1)(A) of the Investment Company Act because we and they will not engage primarily or hold themselves out as being primarily engaged in the business of investing, reinvesting or trading in securities. Rather, we and such subsidiaries will be primarily engaged in non-investment company businesses related to real estate. Consequently, we and our subsidiaries expect to be able to conduct our operations such that none will be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

Certain of our subsidiaries may also rely upon the exclusion from the definition of investment company under Section 3(c)(5)(C) of the Investment Company Act. Section 3(c)(5)(C), as interpreted by the staff of the SEC, requires an entity to invest at least 55% of its assets in “mortgages and other liens on and interests in real estate,” which we refer to as “qualifying real estate interests,” and at least 80% of its assets in qualifying real estate interests plus “real estate-related assets.”

Qualification for exemption from registration under the Investment Company Act will limit our ability to make certain investments. To the extent that the SEC staff provides more specific guidance regarding any of the matters bearing upon such exclusions, we may be required to adjust our strategy accordingly. Any additional guidance from the SEC staff could provide additional flexibility to us, or it could further inhibit our ability to pursue the strategies we have chosen.

The loss of our exclusion from regulation pursuant to the Investment Company Act could require us to restructure our operations, sell certain of our assets or abstain from the purchase of certain assets, which could have an adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations. See “Risk Factors—Risks related to Our Organizational Structure—Maintenance of our Investment Company Act exemption imposes limits on our operations, which may adversely affect our operations.”

RISK FACTORS

An investment in our common shares involves substantial risks. You should carefully consider the following risk factors in addition to the other information contained in this offering circular before purchasing shares. The occurrence of any of the following risks might cause you to lose a significant part of your investment. The risks and uncertainties discussed below are not the only ones we face, but do represent those risks and uncertainties that we believe are most significant to our business, operating results, prospects and financial condition. Some statements in this offering circular, including statements in the following risk factors, constitute forward-looking statements. Please refer to the section entitled “Statements Regarding Forward-Looking Information.”

Risks Related to an Investment in Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC

*We have no prior operating history, and the prior performance of our sponsor or other real estate investment opportunities sponsored by our sponsor may not predict our future results.*

We are a recently formed company and have no operating history. As of the date of this offering circular, we have not made any investments, and prior to our initial closing, our total assets will consist of approximately $5,000 in cash. You should not assume that our performance will be similar to the past performance of our sponsor or other real estate investment opportunities sponsored by our sponsor. Our lack of an operating history significantly increases the risk and uncertainty you face in making an investment in our shares.
Because no public trading market for your shares currently exists, it will be difficult for you to sell your shares and, if you are able to sell your shares, you will likely sell them at a substantial discount to the public offering price.

Our operating agreement does not require our Manager to seek shareholder approval to liquidate our assets by a specified date, nor does our operating agreement require our Manager to list our shares for trading on a national securities exchange by a specified date. There is no public market for our shares and we currently have no plans to list our shares on a stock exchange or other trading market. Until our shares are listed, if ever, you may not sell your shares unless the buyer meets the applicable suitability and minimum purchase standards. In addition, our operating agreement prohibits the ownership of more than 9.8% in value or number of our shares, whichever is more restrictive, or more than 9.8% in value or number of our common shares, whichever is more restrictive, unless exempted by our Manager, which may inhibit large investors from purchasing your shares. In its sole discretion, including to protect our operations and our non-redeemed shareholders, to prevent an undue burden on our liquidity or to preserve our status as a REIT, our Manager could amend, suspend or terminate our redemption plan without notice. Further, the redemption plan includes numerous restrictions that would limit your ability to sell your shares. We describe these restrictions in more detail under “Description of Our Common Shares — Redemption Plan.” Therefore, it will be difficult for you to redeem and/or sell your shares promptly or at all. If you are able to sell your shares, you would likely have to sell them at a substantial discount to their public offering price. It is also likely that your shares would not be accepted as the primary collateral for a loan. Because of the illiquid nature of our shares, you should purchase our shares only as a long-term investment and be prepared to hold them for an indefinite period of time.

If we are unable to find suitable investments, we may not be able to achieve our investment objectives or pay distributions.

Our ability to achieve our investment objectives and to pay distributions depends upon the performance of our Manager in the acquisition of our investments and the ability of our Manager to source investment opportunities for us. The more money we raise in this offering, the greater our challenge will be to invest all of the net offering proceeds on attractive terms. Except for investments that may be described in supplements to this offering circular prior to the date you subscribe for our shares, you will have no opportunity to evaluate the economic merits or the terms of our investments before making a decision to invest in our Company. You must rely entirely on the management abilities of our Manager. We cannot assure you that our Manager will be successful in obtaining suitable investments on financially attractive terms or that, if our Manager makes investments on our behalf, our objectives will be achieved. If we, through our Manager, are unable to find suitable investments promptly, we will hold the proceeds from this offering in an interest-bearing account or invest the proceeds in short-term assets in a manner that is consistent with our qualification as a REIT. If we would continue to be unsuccessful in locating suitable investments, we may ultimately decide to liquidate. In the event we are unable to timely locate suitable investments, we may be unable or limited in our ability to pay distributions and we may not be able to meet our investment objectives.

If we pay distributions from sources other than our cash flow from operations, we will have less funds available for investments and your overall return will be reduced.

Although our distribution policy is to use our cash flow from operations to make distributions, our organization documents permit us to pay distributions from any source, including offering proceeds, borrowings, or sales of assets. Until the proceeds from this offering are fully invested and from time to time during the operational stage, we may not generate sufficient cash flow from operations to fund distributions. If we pay distributions from financings, the net proceeds from this or future offerings or other sources other than our cash flow from operations, we will have less funds available for investments in real estate properties and other real estate-related assets and the number of real estate properties that we invest in and the overall return to our shareholders may be reduced. If we fund distributions from borrowings, our interest expense and other financing costs, as well as the repayment of such borrowings, will reduce our earnings and cash flow from operations available for distribution in future periods, and accordingly your overall return may be reduced. If we fund distributions from the sale of assets or the maturity, payoff or settlement of debt investments, this will affect our ability to generate cash flows from operations in future periods.
Future disruptions in the financial markets or deteriorating economic conditions could adversely impact the commercial real estate market as well as the market for equity-related and debt-related investments generally, which could hinder our ability to implement our business strategy and generate returns to you.

We intend to originate and acquire a diversified portfolio of commercial real estate equity investments and commercial real estate loans, as well as commercial real estate debt securities and other real estate-related assets. We may make our investments through majority-owned subsidiaries, some of which may have rights to receive preferred economic returns. Economic conditions greatly increase the risks of these investments (see “— Risks Related to Our Investments”). The success of our business is significantly related to general economic conditions and, accordingly, our business could be harmed by an economic slowdown and downturn in real estate asset values, property sales and leasing activities. Periods of economic slowdown or recession, significantly rising interest rates, declining employment levels, decreasing demand for real estate, declining real estate values, or the public perception that any of these events may occur, can reduce volumes for many of our business lines. These economic conditions could result in a general decline in acquisition, disposition and leasing activity, as well as a general decline in the value of real estate and in rents, which in turn would reduce revenue from property management fees and brokerage commissions derived from property sales, leases and mortgage brokerage as well as revenues associated with investment management and/or development activities. In addition, these conditions could lead to a decline in property sales prices as well as a decline in funds invested in existing commercial real estate assets and properties planned for development.

Future disruptions in the financial markets or deteriorating economic conditions may also impact the market for our investments and the volatility of our investments. The returns available to investors in our targeted investments are determined, in part, by: (i) the supply and demand for such investments and (ii) the existence of a market for such investments, which includes the ability to sell or finance such investments. During periods of volatility, the number of investors participating in the market may change at an accelerated pace. If either demand or liquidity increases, the cost of our targeted investments may increase. As a result, we may have fewer funds available to make distributions to investors.

During an economic downturn, it may also take longer for us to dispose of real estate investments or the selling prices may be lower than originally anticipated. As a result, the carrying value of our real estate investments may become impaired and we could record losses as a result of such impairment or we could experience reduced profitability related to declines in real estate values. Further, as a result of our target leverage, our exposure to adverse general economic conditions is heightened.

These negative general economic conditions could reduce the overall amount of sale and leasing activity in the commercial real estate industry, and hence the demand for our services. We are unable to predict the likely duration and severity of disruptions in financial markets and adverse economic conditions in the United States and other countries. Our revenues and profitability depend on the overall demand for our services from our clients. While it is possible that the increase in the number of distressed sales and resulting decrease in asset prices will eventually translate to greater market activity, an overall reduction in sales transaction volume could materially and adversely impact our business.

All of the factors described above could adversely impact our ability to implement our business strategy and make distributions to our investors and could decrease the value of an investment in us. In addition, in an extreme deterioration of our business, we could have insufficient liquidity to meet our debt service obligations when they come due in future years. If we fail to meet our payment or other obligations under our credit agreement, the lenders under the agreement will be entitled to proceed against the collateral granted to them to secure the debt owed.

We may suffer from delays in locating suitable investments, which could limit our ability to make distributions and lower the overall return on your investment.

We rely upon our Manager’s real estate and debt finance professionals, including Mr. Benjamin S. Miller, its Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer, to identify suitable investments. Our sponsor and other Fundrise entities also rely on Mr. Miller for investment opportunities. To the extent that our Manager’s real estate and debt finance professionals face competing demands upon their time in instances when we have capital ready for investment, we may face delays in execution.
Additionally, the current market for properties that meet our investment objectives is highly competitive, as is the leasing market for such properties. The more shares we sell in this offering, the greater our challenge will be to invest all of the net offering proceeds on attractive terms. Except for investments that may be described in supplements to this offering circular prior to the date you subscribe for our shares, you will have no opportunity to evaluate the terms of transactions or other economic or financial data concerning our investments. You must rely entirely on the oversight and management ability of our Manager and the performance of any property manager. We cannot be sure that our Manager will be successful in obtaining suitable investments on financially attractive terms.

We could also suffer from delays in locating suitable investments as a result of our reliance on our Manager at times when its officers, employees, or agents are simultaneously seeking to locate suitable investments for other Fundrise sponsored programs, some of which have investment objectives and employ investment strategies that are similar to ours. Furthermore, where we acquire properties prior to the start of construction or during the early stages of construction, it will typically take several months to complete construction and rent available space. Therefore, you could suffer delays in the receipt of distributions attributable to those particular properties.

Further, because we are raising a “blind pool” without any pre-selected assets, it may be difficult for us to invest the net offering proceeds promptly and on attractive terms. Delays we encounter in the selection and origination of income-producing loans and other assets would likely limit our ability to pay distributions to our shareholders and lower their overall returns. Similar concerns arise when there are prepayments, maturities or sales of our investments.

Because this is a blind pool offering, you will not have the opportunity to evaluate our investments before we make them, which makes your investment more speculative.

Because we have not yet acquired or identified any investments that we may make, we are not able to provide you with any information to assist you in evaluating the merits of any specific investments that we may make, except for investments that may be described in supplements to this offering circular. We will seek to invest substantially all of the offering proceeds available for investment, after the payment of fees and expenses, in commercial real estate equity, commercial real estate loans, and other select real estate-related assets. However, because you will be unable to evaluate the economic merit of assets before we invest in them, you will have to rely entirely on the ability of our Manager to select suitable and successful investment opportunities. These factors increase the risk that your investment may not generate returns comparable to our competitors.

You may be more likely to sustain a loss on your investment because our sponsor does not have as strong an economic incentive to avoid losses as do sponsors who have made significant equity investments in their companies.

Fundrise, L.P., an affiliate of our sponsor, and our sponsor have committed to invest an aggregate of only $15,000 in us through the purchase of 1,500 of our common shares at $10.00 per share. Therefore, if we are successful in raising enough proceeds to be able to reimburse our sponsor for our organization and offering expenses, our sponsor will have little exposure to loss in the value of our shares. Without this exposure, our investors may be at a greater risk of loss because our sponsor does not have as much to lose from a decrease in the value of our shares as do those sponsors who make more significant equity investments in their companies.

Because we are limited in the amount of funds we can raise, we will be limited in the number and type of investments we make and the value of your investment in us will fluctuate with the performance of the specific assets we acquire.

This offering is being made on a “best efforts” basis. Further, under Regulation A, we are only allowed to raise up to $50 million in any 12 month period (although we may raise capital in other ways). We expect the size of the investments that we will make will average about $1.0 million to $10.0 million per asset. As a result, the amount of proceeds we raise in this offering may be substantially less than the amount we would need to achieve a diversified portfolio of investments, even if we are successful in raising the maximum offering amount. If we are unable to raise substantial funds, we will make fewer investments resulting in less diversification in terms of the type, number and size of investments that we make. In that case, the likelihood that any single asset’s performance would adversely affect our profitability will increase. Your investment in our shares will be subject to greater risk to the extent that we lack a diversified portfolio of investments. Further, we will have certain fixed operating expenses, including certain expenses as a public reporting company, regardless of whether we are able to raise substantial funds in this offering. Our inability to raise substantial funds would increase our fixed operating expenses as a percentage of gross income, reducing our net income and limiting our ability to make distributions.
Any adverse changes in our sponsor’s financial health or our relationship with our sponsor or its affiliates could hinder our operating performance and the return on your investment.

We have engaged our Manager to manage our operations and our portfolio of commercial real estate loans, commercial real estate equity investments and other select real estate-related assets. Our Manager has no employees, and utilizes our sponsor’s personnel to perform services on its behalf for us. Our ability to achieve our investment objectives and to pay distributions is dependent upon the performance of our sponsor and its affiliates as well as our sponsor’s real estate and debt finance professionals in the identification and acquisition or origination of investments, the management of our assets and operation of our day-to-day activities. Any adverse changes in our sponsor’s financial condition or our relationship with our sponsor could hinder our Manager’s ability to successfully manage our operations and our portfolio of investments.

Our ability to implement our investment strategy is dependent, in part, upon our ability to successfully conduct this offering through the Fundrise Platform, which makes an investment in us more speculative.

We will conduct this offering primarily through the Fundrise Platform, which is owned by Fundrise, LLC. Only a limited number of real estate investment opportunities have been offered through the Fundrise Platform prior to this offering. Our sponsor has sponsored other real estate investment opportunities under other formats prior to this offering, but this is one of the initial REIT offerings being offered through the Fundrise Platform. The success of this offering, and our ability to implement our business strategy, is dependent upon our ability to sell our shares to investors through the Fundrise Platform. If we are not successful in selling our shares through the Fundrise Platform, our ability to raise proceeds through this offering will be limited and we may not have adequate capital to implement our investment strategy. If we are unsuccessful in implementing our investment strategy, you could lose all or a part of your investment.

If we do not successfully implement a liquidity transaction, you may have to hold your investment for an indefinite period.

Although we presently intend to complete a transaction providing liquidity to shareholders within approximately five to seven years from the one-year anniversary of the qualification of this offering, our operating agreement does not require our Manager to pursue such a liquidity transaction. Market conditions and other factors could cause us to delay the listing of our shares on a national securities exchange or delay the commencement of a liquidation or other type of liquidity transaction, such as a merger or sale of assets, beyond five to seven years from the one-year anniversary of the qualification of this offering. If our Manager does determine to pursue a liquidity transaction, we would be under no obligation to conclude the process within a set time. If we adopt a plan of liquidation, the timing of the sale of assets will depend on real estate and financial markets, economic conditions in areas in which properties are located, and the U.S. federal income tax effects on shareholders, that may prevail in the future. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to liquidate all assets. After we adopt a plan of liquidation, we would likely remain in existence until all our investments are liquidated. If we do not pursue a liquidity transaction, or delay such a transaction due to market conditions, your shares may continue to be illiquid and you may, for an indefinite period of time, be unable to convert your investment to cash easily and could suffer losses on your investment.

We may change our targeted investments and investment guidelines without shareholder consent.

Our Manager may change our targeted investments and investment guidelines at any time without the consent of our shareholders, which could result in our making investments that are different from, and possibly riskier than, the investments described in this offering circular. A change in our targeted investments or investment guidelines may increase our exposure to interest rate risk, default risk and real estate market fluctuations, all of which could adversely affect the value of our common shares and our ability to make distributions to you.
We have minimal operating capital, no significant assets and no revenue from operations.

We have minimal operating capital and for the foreseeable future will be dependent upon our ability to finance our operations from the sale of equity or other financing alternatives. There can be no assurance that we will be able to successfully raise operating capital. The failure to successfully raise operating capital, and the failure to attract qualified real estate companies and sufficient investor purchase commitments, could result in our bankruptcy or other event which would have a material adverse effect on us and our shareholders. We have no significant assets or financial resources, so such adverse event could put your investment dollars at significant risk.

The market in which we participate is competitive and, if we do not compete effectively, our operating results could be harmed.

We compete with many other entities engaged in real estate investment activities, including individuals, corporations, bank and insurance company investment accounts, other REITs, private real estate funds, and other entities engaged in real estate investment activities as well as online real estate platforms that compete with the Fundrise Platform. This market is competitive and rapidly changing. We expect competition to persist and intensify in the future, which could harm our ability to increase volume on the Fundrise Platform.

Competition could result in reduced volumes, reduced fees or the failure of the Fundrise Platform to achieve or maintain more widespread market acceptance, any of which could harm our business. In addition, in the future we and the Fundrise Platform may experience new competition from more established internet companies possessing large, existing customer bases, substantial financial resources and established distribution channels. If any of these companies or any major financial institution decided to enter the online investment business, acquire one of our existing competitors or form a strategic alliance with one of our competitors, our ability to compete effectively could be significantly compromised and our operating results could be harmed.

Most of our current or potential competitors have significantly more financial, technical, marketing and other resources than we do and may be able to devote greater resources to the development, promotion, sale and support of their platforms and distribution channels. Larger real estate programs may enjoy significant competitive advantages that result from, among other things, a lower cost of capital and enhanced operating efficiencies. In addition, the number of entities and the amount of funds competing for suitable properties may increase. Any such increase would result in increased demand for these assets and therefore increased prices paid for them. If we pay higher prices for properties and other investments, our profitability will be reduced and you may experience a lower return on your investment.

Our potential competitors may also have longer operating histories, more extensive customer bases, greater brand recognition and broader customer relationships than we have. These competitors may be better able to develop new products, to respond quickly to new technologies and to undertake more extensive marketing campaigns. The online real estate investing industry is driven by constant innovation. If we or the Fundrise Platform are unable to compete with such companies and meet the need for innovation, the demand for the Fundrise Platform could stagnate or substantially decline.

We rely on third-party banks and on third-party computer hardware and software. If we are unable to continue utilizing these services, our business and ability to service the corresponding project loans may be adversely affected.

We and the Fundrise Platform rely on third-party and FDIC-insured depository institutions to process our transactions, including payments of corresponding loans and equity investments, processing of subscriptions under this offering and distributions to our shareholders. Under the Automated Clearing House (ACH) rules, if we experience a high rate of reversed transactions (known as “chargebacks”), we may be subject to sanctions and potentially disqualified from using the system to process payments. The Fundrise Platform also relies on computer hardware purchased and software licensed from third parties. This purchased or licensed hardware and software may be physically located off-site, as is often the case with “cloud services.” This purchased or licensed hardware and software may not continue to be available on commercially reasonable terms, or at all. If the Fundrise Platform cannot continue to obtain such services elsewhere, or if it cannot transition to another processor quickly, our ability to process payments will suffer and your ability to receive distributions will be delayed or impaired.
If our Manager fails to retain its key personnel, we may not be able to achieve our anticipated level of growth and our business could suffer.

Our future depends, in part, on our Manager’s ability to attract and retain key personnel. Our future also depends on the continued contributions of the executive officers and other key personnel of our Manager, each of whom would be difficult to replace. In particular, the Founder/Chief Executive Officer Benjamin S. Miller of our parent company and sponsor, Rise Companies Corp., who is the Chief Executive Officer of our Manager, is critical to the management of our business and operations and the development of our strategic direction. The loss of the services of Mr. Benjamin S. Miller or other executive officers or key personnel of our Manager and the process to replace any of our Manager’s key personnel would involve significant time and expense and may significantly delay or prevent the achievement of our business objectives.

Employee misconduct and unsubstantiated allegations against us and misconduct by employees of our sponsor could expose us to significant reputational harm.

We are vulnerable to reputational harm, as we operate in an industry where integrity and the confidence of our investors is of critical importance. If an employee of our sponsor or its affiliates were to engage in illegal or suspicious activities, or if unsubstantiated allegations are made against us or our sponsor by such employees, stockholders or others, our sponsor and we may suffer serious harm to our reputation (as a consequence of the negative perception resulting from such activities or allegations), financial position, relationships with key persons and companies in the real estate market, and our ability to attract new investors. Our business often requires that we deal with confidential information. If employees of our sponsor were to improperly use or disclose this information, we could suffer serious harm to our reputation, financial position and current and future business relationships.

It is not always possible to deter employee misconduct, and the precautions our sponsor takes to detect and prevent this activity may not be effective in all cases. Misconduct by our sponsor’s employees, or even unsubstantiated allegations of misconduct, could subject our sponsor and us to regulatory sanctions and result in an adverse effect on our reputation and our business. See “Management—Recent Developments Regarding our Manager’s Executive Officers.”

If our techniques for managing risk are ineffective, we may be exposed to unanticipated losses.

In order to manage the significant risks inherent in our business, we must maintain effective policies, procedures and systems that enable us to identify, monitor and control our exposure to market, operational, legal and reputational risks. Our risk management methods may prove to be ineffective due to their design or implementation or as a result of the lack of adequate, accurate or timely information. If our risk management efforts are ineffective, we could suffer losses or face litigation, particularly from our clients, and sanctions or fines from regulators.

Our techniques for managing risks may not fully mitigate the risk exposure in all economic or market environments, or against all types of risk, including risks that we might fail to identify or anticipate. Any failures in our risk management techniques and strategies to accurately quantify such risk exposure could limit our ability to manage risks or to seek positive, risk-adjusted returns. In addition, any risk management failures could cause fund losses to be significantly greater than historical measures predict. Our more qualitative approach to managing those risks could prove insufficient, exposing us to unanticipated losses in our net asset value and therefore a reduction in our revenues.

This offering is focused on attracting a large number of investors that plan on making relatively small investments. An inability to attract such investors may have an adverse effect on the success of our offering, and we may not raise adequate capital to implement our business strategy.

Our common shares are being offered and sold only to “qualified purchasers” (as defined in Regulation A). “Qualified purchasers” include: (i) “accredited investors” under Rule 501(a) of Regulation D (which, in the case of natural persons, (A) have an individual net worth, or joint net worth with the person’s spouse, that exceeds $1,000,000 at the time of the purchase, excluding the value of the primary residence of such person, or (B) earned income exceeding $200,000 in each of the two most recent years or joint income with a spouse exceeding $300,000 for those years and a reasonable expectation of the same income level in the current year) and (ii) all other investors so long as their investment in the particular issuer does not represent more than 10% of the greater of their annual income or net worth (for natural persons), or 10% of the greater of annual revenue or net assets at fiscal year-end (for non-natural persons). However, our common shares are currently being offered and sold only to those investors that are within the latter category (i.e., investors whose investment in our common shares does not represent more than 10% of the applicable amount), regardless of an investor’s status as an “accredited investor.” Therefore, our target investor base inherently consists of persons that may not have the
high net worth or income that investors in a traditional initial public offerings have, where the investor base is typically composed of “accredited investors.”
Our reliance on attracting investors that may not meet the net worth or income requirements of “accredited investors” carries certain risks that may not be present in traditional initial public offerings. For example, certain economic, geopolitical and social conditions may influence the investing habits and risk tolerance of these smaller investors to a greater extent than “accredited investors,” which may have an adverse effect on our ability to raise adequate capital to implement our business strategy. Additionally, our focus on investors that plan on making, or are able to make, relatively small investments requires a larger investor base in order to meet our annual goal of raising $50 million in our offering. We may have difficulties in attracting a large investor base, which may have an adverse effect on the success of this offering, and a larger investor base involves increased transaction costs, which will increase our expenses.

Risks Related to our Sponsor and the Fundrise Platform

Our sponsor is a development stage company with limited operating history and no profits to date. As a company in the early stages of development, our sponsor faces increased risks, uncertainties, expenses and difficulties.

Our sponsor has a limited operating history. In order for us to be successful, the volume of investments originated through the Fundrise Platform will need to increase, which will require our sponsor to increase its facilities, personnel and infrastructure to accommodate the greater obligations and demands on the Fundrise Platform. The Fundrise Platform is dependent upon the website to maintain current listings and transactions in real estate-related assets. Our sponsor also expects to constantly update its software and website, expand its customer support services and retain an appropriate number of employees to maintain the operations of the Fundrise Platform. If our business grows substantially, our sponsor may need to make significant new investments in personnel and infrastructure to support that growth. If our sponsor is unable to increase the capacity of the Fundrise Platform and maintain the necessary infrastructure, or if our sponsor is unable to make significant investments on a timely basis or at reasonable costs, you may experience delays in receipt of distributions on our common shares, periodic downtime of the Fundrise Platform or other disruptions to our business and operations.

Our sponsor will need to raise substantial additional capital to fund its operations, and if it fails to obtain additional funding, it may be unable to continue operations.

Prior to January 2017, our sponsor had funded substantially all of its operations with proceeds from private financings from individual investors. On January 31, 2017, our sponsor began an initial offering of shares of its class B common stock to the public. As of June 30, 2019, our sponsor had raised approximately $44.1 million through such equity offering. To continue the development of the Fundrise Platform, our sponsor will require substantial additional funds. To meet such financing requirements in the future, our sponsor may raise funds through equity offerings, debt financings or strategic alliances. Raising additional funds may involve agreements or covenants that restrict our sponsor’s business activities and options. Additional funding may not be available to it on favorable terms, or at all. If our sponsor is unable to obtain additional funds for the operation of the Fundrise Platform, it may be forced to reduce or terminate its operations, which may adversely affect our business and results of operations.

Our sponsor is currently incurring net losses and expects to continue incurring net losses in the future.

Our sponsor is currently incurring net losses and expects to continue incurring net losses in the future. Its failure to become profitable could impair the operations of the Fundrise Platform by limiting its access to working capital to operate the Fundrise Platform. In addition, our sponsor expects its operating expenses to increase in the future as it expands its operations. If our sponsor’s operating expenses exceed its expectations, its financial performance could be adversely affected. If its revenue does not grow to offset these increased expenses, our sponsor may never become profitable. In future periods, our sponsor may not have any revenue growth, or its revenue could decline.
If our sponsor were to enter bankruptcy proceedings, the operation of the Fundrise Platform and the activities with respect to our operations and business would be interrupted and subscription proceeds held in a segregated account may be subject to the bankruptcy.

If our sponsor were to enter bankruptcy proceedings or cease operations, we would be required to find other ways to meet obligations regarding our operations and business. Such alternatives could result in delays in the disbursement of distributions or the filing of reports or could require us to pay significant fees to another company that we engage to perform services for us.

If the security of our investors’ confidential information stored in our sponsor’s systems is breached or otherwise subjected to unauthorized access, your secure information may be stolen.

The Fundrise Platform may store investors’ bank information and other personally-identifiable sensitive data. The Fundrise Platform is hosted in data centers that are compliant with payment card industry security standards and the website uses daily security monitoring services provided by Symantec Corporation. However, any accidental or willful security breach or other unauthorized access could cause your secure information to be stolen and used for criminal purposes, and you would be subject to increased risk of fraud or identity theft. Because techniques used to obtain unauthorized access or to sabotage systems change frequently and generally are not recognized until they are launched against a target, the Fundrise Platform and its third-party hosting facilities may be unable to anticipate these techniques or to implement adequate preventative measures. In addition, many states have enacted laws requiring companies to notify individuals of data security breaches involving their personal data. These mandatory disclosures regarding a security breach are costly to implement and often lead to widespread negative publicity, which may cause our investors and real estate companies to lose confidence in the effectiveness of our data security measures. Any security breach, whether actual or perceived, would harm our reputation, resulting in the potential loss of investors and adverse effect on the value of your investment in us.

Any significant disruption in service on the Fundrise Platform or in its computer systems could reduce the attractiveness of the Fundrise Platform and result in a loss of users.

If a catastrophic event resulted in a platform outage and physical data loss, the Fundrise Platform’s ability to perform its functions would be adversely affected. The satisfactory performance, reliability, and availability of our sponsor’s technology and its underlying hosting services infrastructure are critical to our sponsor’s operations, level of customer service, reputation and ability to attract new users and retain existing users. Our sponsor’s hosting services infrastructure is provided by a third party hosting provider (the “Hosting Provider”). Our sponsor also maintains a backup system at a separate location that is owned and operated by a third party. The Hosting Provider does not guarantee that users’ access to the Fundrise Platform will be uninterrupted, error-free or secure. Our sponsor’s operations depend on the Hosting Provider’s ability to protect its and our sponsor’s systems in its facilities against damage or interruption from natural disasters, power or telecommunications failures, air quality, temperature, humidity and other environmental concerns, computer viruses or other attempts to harm our systems, criminal acts and similar events. If our sponsor’s arrangement with the Hosting Provider is terminated, or there is a lapse of service or damage to its facilities, our sponsor could experience interruptions in its service as well as delays and additional expense in arranging new facilities. Any interruptions or delays in our sponsor’s service, whether as a result of an error by the Hosting Provider or other third-party error, our sponsor’s own error, natural disasters or security breaches, whether accidental or willful, could harm our ability to perform any services for corresponding project investments or maintain accurate accounts, and could harm our sponsor’s relationships with users of the Fundrise Platform and our sponsor’s reputation. Additionally, in the event of damage or interruption, our sponsor’s insurance policies may not adequately compensate our sponsor for any losses that we may incur. Our sponsor’s disaster recovery plan has not been tested under actual disaster conditions, and it may not have sufficient capacity to recover all data and services in the event of an outage at a facility operated by the Hosting Provider. These factors could prevent us from processing or posting payments on the corresponding investments, damage our sponsor’s brand and reputation, divert our sponsor’s employees’ attention, and cause users to abandon the Fundrise Platform.
We do not own the Fundrise name, but were granted a license by our sponsor to use the Fundrise name. Use of the name by other parties or the termination of our license agreement may harm our business.

We will enter into a license agreement with our sponsor effective upon the commencement of this offering, pursuant to which our sponsor will grant us a non-exclusive, royalty-free license to use the name “Fundrise.” Under this agreement, we will have a right to use the “Fundrise” name as long as our Manager continues to manage us. Our sponsor will retain the right to continue using the “Fundrise” name. Our sponsor is not precluded from licensing or transferring the ownership of the “Fundrise” name to third parties, some of whom may compete against us. Consequently, we will be unable to prevent any damage to the goodwill associated with our name that may occur as a result of the activities of our sponsor or others related to the use of our name. Furthermore, in the event the license agreement is terminated, we will be required to change our name and cease using the “Fundrise” name. Any of these events could disrupt our recognition in the market place, damage any goodwill we may have generated and otherwise harm our business.

Risks Related to Compliance and Regulation

We are offering our common shares pursuant to recent amendments to Regulation A promulgated pursuant to the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act of 2012 (the “JOBS Act”), and we cannot be certain if the reduced disclosure requirements applicable to Tier 2 issuers will make our common shares less attractive to investors as compared to a traditional initial public offering.

As a Tier 2 issuer, we will be subject to scaled disclosure and reporting requirements, which may make our common shares less attractive to investors as compared to a traditional initial public offering, which may make an investment in our common shares less attractive to investors who are accustomed to enhanced disclosure and more frequent financial reporting. In addition, given the relative lack of regulatory precedence regarding the recent amendments to Regulation A, there is a significant amount of regulatory uncertainty in regard to how the SEC or the individual state securities regulators will regulate both the offer and sale of our securities, as well as any ongoing compliance that we may be subject to. If our scaled disclosure and reporting requirements, or regulatory uncertainty regarding Regulation A, reduces the attractiveness of our common shares, we may be unable to raise the necessary funds necessary to commence operations, or to develop a diversified portfolio of real estate investments, which could severely affect the value of our common shares.

Under Section 107 of the JOBS Act, we are permitted to use the extended transition period provided in Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act for complying with new or revised accounting standards. This permits us to delay the adoption of certain accounting standards until those standards would otherwise apply to private companies. We have elected to use the extended transition period provided in Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act for complying with new or revised accounting standard that have different effective dates for public and private companies until the earlier of the date that we (i) are no longer an emerging growth company or (ii) affirmatively and irrevocably opt out of the extended transition period provided in Section 7(a)(2)(B). By electing to extend the transition period for complying with new or revised accounting standards, our financial statements may not be comparable to companies that comply with all public accounting standards.

Our use of Form 1-A and our reliance on Regulation A for this offering may make it more difficult to raise capital as and when we need it, as compared to if we were conducting a traditional initial public offering on Form S-11.

Because of the exemptions from various reporting requirements provided to us under Regulation A and because we are only permitted to raise up to $50 million in any 12 month period under Regulation A (although we may raise capital in other ways), we may be less attractive to investors and it may be difficult for us to raise additional capital as and when we need it. Investors may be unable to compare our business with other companies in our industry if they believe that our financial accounting is not as transparent as other companies in our industry. If we are unable to raise additional capital as and when we need it, our financial condition and results of operations may be materially and adversely affected.
There may be deficiencies with our internal controls that require improvements, and if we are unable to adequately evaluate internal controls, we may be subject to sanctions.

As a Tier 2 issuer, we will not need to provide a report on the effectiveness of our internal controls over financial reporting, and we will be exempt from the auditor attestation requirements concerning any such report so long as we are a Tier 2 issuer. We are in the process of evaluating whether our internal control procedures are effective and therefore there is a greater likelihood of undiscovered errors in our internal controls or reported financial statements as compared to issuers that have conducted such evaluations.

Non-compliance with laws and regulations may impair our ability to arrange, service or otherwise manage our loans and other assets.

Failure to comply with the laws and regulatory requirements applicable to our business may, among other things, limit our, or a collection agency’s, ability to collect all or part of the payments on our investments. In addition, our non-compliance could subject us to damages, revocation of required licenses or other authorities, class action lawsuits, administrative enforcement actions, and civil and criminal liability, which may harm our business.

Some states, including California, require nonfinancial companies, such as Fundrise Lending, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Rise Companies Corp. (“Fundrise Lending”) that will work with our Manager to originate loans and other real estate investments, to obtain a real estate or other license in order to make commercial loans on a regular basis. Fundrise Lending has a California Finance Lenders Law License with California’s Department of Business Oversight that satisfies the requirements in California. Fundrise Lending does not intend to finance loans in states where such licenses are required until it obtains the required license. Fundrise Lending may, in the future, affiliate itself with third parties such as financial institutions in order to be able to arrange loans in jurisdictions where it might otherwise be restricted.

Maintenance of our Investment Company Act exemption imposes limits on our operations, which may adversely affect our operations.

We intend to conduct our operations so that neither we nor any of our subsidiaries is required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act. We anticipate that we will hold real estate and real estate-related assets described below (i) directly, (ii) through wholly-owned subsidiaries, (iii) through majority-owned joint venture subsidiaries, and, (iv) to a lesser extent, through minority-owned joint venture subsidiaries.

We expect to use substantially all of the net proceeds from this offering (after paying or reimbursing organization and offering expenses) to invest in and manage a diversified portfolio of assets primarily consisting of investments in commercial real estate and development projects, with such investments consisting of equity interests in such properties or debt, as well as commercial real estate loans, commercial real estate debt securities (including CMBS, CDOs, and REIT senior unsecured debt) and other select real estate-related assets, where the underlying assets primarily consist of such properties.

In connection with the Section 3(a)(1)(C) analysis, the determination of whether an entity is a majority-owned subsidiary of our Company is made by us. The Investment Company Act defines a majority-owned subsidiary of a person as a company 50% or more of the outstanding voting securities of which are owned by such person, or by another company which is a majority-owned subsidiary of such person. The Investment Company Act further defines voting security as any security presently entitling the owner or holder thereof to vote for the election of directors of a company. We treat companies in which we own at least a majority of the outstanding voting securities as majority-owned subsidiaries. We also treat subsidiaries of which we or our wholly-owned or majority-owned subsidiary is the manager (in a manager-managed entity) or managing member (in a member-managed entity) or in which our agreement or the agreement of our wholly-owned or majority-owned subsidiary is required for all major decisions affecting the subsidiaries (referred to herein as “Controlled Subsidiaries”), as majority-owned subsidiaries even though none of the interests issued by such Controlled Subsidiaries meets the definition of voting securities under the Investment Company Act. We reached our conclusion on the basis that the interests issued by the Controlled Subsidiaries are the functional equivalent of voting securities. We have not asked the SEC staff for concurrence of our analysis, our treatment of such interests as voting securities, or whether the Controlled Subsidiaries, or any other of our subsidiaries, may be treated in the manner in which we intend, and it is possible that the SEC staff could disagree with any of our determinations. If the SEC staff were to disagree with our treatment of one or more companies as majority-owned subsidiaries, we would need to adjust our strategy and our assets. Any such adjustment in our strategy could have a material adverse effect on us.
Certain of our subsidiaries may rely on the exclusion provided by Section 3(c)(5)(C) under the Investment Company Act. Section 3(c)(5)(C) of the Investment Company Act is designed for entities “primarily engaged in the business of purchasing or otherwise acquiring mortgages and other liens on and interests in real estate.” This exclusion generally requires that at least 55% of the entity’s assets on an unconsolidated basis consist of qualifying real estate assets and at least 80% of the entity’s assets consist of qualifying real estate assets or real estate-related assets. These requirements limit the assets those subsidiaries can own and the timing of sales and purchases of those assets.

To classify the assets held by our subsidiaries as qualifying real estate assets or real estate-related assets, we will rely on no-action letters and other guidance published by the SEC staff regarding those kinds of assets, as well as upon our analyses (in consultation with outside counsel) of guidance published with respect to other types of assets. There can be no assurance that the laws and regulations governing the Investment Company Act status of companies similar to ours, or the guidance from the SEC or its staff regarding the treatment of assets as qualifying real estate assets or real estate-related assets, will not change in a manner that adversely affects our operations. In fact, in August 2011, the SEC published a concept release in which it asked for comments on this exclusion from regulation. To the extent that the SEC staff provides more specific guidance regarding any of the matters bearing upon our exemption from the need to register or exclusion under the Investment Company Act, we may be required to adjust our strategy accordingly. Any additional guidance from the SEC staff could further inhibit our ability to pursue the strategies that we have chosen.

Furthermore, although we intend to monitor the assets of our subsidiaries regularly, there can be no assurance that our subsidiaries will be able to maintain their exclusion from registration. Any of the foregoing could require us to adjust our strategy, which could limit our ability to make certain investments or require us to sell assets in a manner, at a price or at a time that we otherwise would not have chosen. This could negatively affect the value of our common shares, the sustainability of our business model and our ability to make distributions.

Registration under the Investment Company Act would require us to comply with a variety of substantive requirements that impose, among other things:

- limitations on capital structure;
- restrictions on specified investments;
- restrictions on leverage or senior securities;
- restrictions on unsecured borrowings;
- prohibitions on transactions with affiliates; and
- compliance with reporting, record keeping, voting, proxy disclosure and other rules and regulations that would significantly increase our operating expenses.

If we were required to register as an investment company but failed to do so, we could be prohibited from engaging in our business, and criminal and civil actions could be brought against us.

Registration with the SEC as an investment company would be costly, would subject us to a host of complex regulations and would divert attention from the conduct of our business, which could materially and adversely affect us. In addition, if we purchase or sell any real estate assets to avoid becoming an investment company under the Investment Company Act, our NAV, the amount of funds available for investment and our ability to pay distributions to our shareholders could be materially adversely affected.

We are not subject to the banking regulations of any state or federal regulatory agency.

We are not subject to the periodic examinations to which commercial banks and other thrift institutions are subject. Consequently, our financing decisions and our decisions regarding establishing loan loss reserves are not subject to periodic review by any governmental agency. Moreover, we are not subject to regulatory oversight relating to our capital, asset quality, management or compliance with laws.
Recent legislative and regulatory initiatives have imposed restrictions and requirements on financial institutions that could have an adverse effect on our business.

The financial industry is becoming more highly regulated. There has been, and may continue to be, a related increase in regulatory investigations of the trading and other investment activities of alternative investment funds. Such investigations may impose additional expenses on us, may require the attention of senior management of our Manager and may result in fines if we are deemed to have violated any regulations.

As Internet commerce develops, federal and state governments may adopt new laws to regulate Internet commerce, which may negatively affect our business.

As Internet commerce continues to evolve, increasing regulation by federal and state governments becomes more likely. Our and the Fundrise Platform’s business could be negatively affected by the application of existing laws and regulations or the enactment of new laws applicable to our business. The cost to comply with such laws or regulations could be significant and would increase our operating expenses, which could negatively impact our ability to acquire commercial real estate equity investments, commercial real estate loans and other real estate investments. In addition, federal and state governmental or regulatory agencies may decide to impose taxes on services provided over the Internet. These taxes could discourage the use of the Internet as a means of raising capital, which would adversely affect the viability of the Fundrise Platform.

Laws intended to prohibit money laundering may require Fundrise to disclose investor information to regulatory authorities.

The Uniting and Strengthening America By Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the “PATRIOT Act”) requires that financial institutions establish and maintain compliance programs to guard against money laundering activities, and requires the Secretary of the U.S. Treasury (“Treasury”) to prescribe regulations in connection with anti-money laundering policies of financial institutions. The Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (“FinCEN”), an agency of the Treasury, has announced that it is likely that such regulations would subject certain pooled investment vehicles to enact anti-money laundering policies. It is possible that there could be promulgated legislation or regulations that would require Fundrise or its service providers to share information with governmental authorities with respect to prospective investors in connection with the establishment of anti-money laundering procedures. Such legislation and/or regulations could require us to implement additional restrictions on the transfer of our common shares to comply with such legislation and/or regulations. We reserve the right to request such information as is necessary to verify the identity of prospective shareholders and the source of the payment of subscription monies, or as is necessary to comply with any customer identification programs required by FinCEN and/or the SEC. In the event of delay or failure by a prospective shareholder to produce any information required for verification purposes, an application for, or transfer of, our common shares may be refused. We will not have the ability to reject a transfer of our common shares where all necessary information is provided and any other applicable transfer requirements, including those imposed under the transfer provisions of our operating agreement, are satisfied.

Risks Related to Conflicts of Interest

There are conflicts of interest between us, our Manager and its affiliates.

Our Manager’s executive officers, including our Manager’s Chief Executive Officer, Benjamin S. Miller, are principals in the Manager’s parent company, Rise Companies Corp., which provides asset management and other services to our Manager and us. Prevailing market rates are determined by Management based on industry standards and expectations of what Management would be able to negotiate with a third party on an arm’s length basis. All of the agreements and arrangements between such parties, including those relating to compensation, are not the result of arm’s length negotiations. Some of the conflicts inherent in our Company’s transactions with the Manager and its affiliates, and the limitations on such parties adopted to address these conflicts, are described below. Our Company, Manager and their affiliates will try to balance our interests with their own. However, to the extent that such parties take actions that are more favorable to other entities than us, these actions could have negative impact on our financial performance and, consequently, on distributions to shareholders and the value of our common shares. We have adopted a conflicts of interest policy and certain conflicts will be reviewed by the Independent Representative (defined below). See “Conflicts of Interest—Certain Conflict Resolution Measures—Independent Representative” and “—Our Policies Relating to Conflicts of Interest.”
Our Manager will face a conflict of interest because the asset management fee it will receive for services performed for us will be based on our NAV, which employees of our sponsor, the parent company of our Manager, are ultimately responsible for determining.

Our Manager, a wholly-owned subsidiary of our sponsor, will be paid an asset management fee which after September 30, 2020 will be based on our NAV as calculated by our sponsor’s internal accountants and asset management team. The calculation of our NAV involves certain subjective judgments with respect to estimating, for example, the value of our commercial real estate assets and investments and accruals of our operating revenues and expenses, and therefore, our NAV may not correspond to the realizable value upon a sale of those assets. Because the calculation of NAV involves subjective judgment, there can be no assurance that the estimates used by our sponsor’s internal accountants and asset management team to calculate our NAV, or the resulting NAV, will be identical to the estimates that would be used, or the NAV that would be calculated, by an independent consultant. In addition, our Manager may benefit by us retaining ownership of our assets at times when our shareholders may be better served by the sale or disposition of our assets in order to avoid a reduction in our NAV. Finally, the determination of our NAV is not based on, nor intended to comply with, fair value standards under GAAP, and our NAV may not be indicative of the price that we would receive for our assets at current market conditions.

Our Manager faces a conflict of interest because the disposition fees it may receive upon liquidation of certain investments will be based on whether our Manager determines, in its sole discretion, to liquidate such investments.

Our Manager will be paid a disposition fee of up to 1.50% of the gross proceeds from the liquidation of our investments if our Manager is acting as the real estate developer or is engaged by the developer to sell the project. Our Manager has sole discretion over whether to liquidate a given investment. As such, our Manager faces a conflict of interest because it may benefit financially by deciding to liquidate an investment, when our shareholders may be otherwise better served by us retaining ownership of such property.

The interests of the Manager, the principals and its other affiliates may conflict with your interests.

The operating agreement provides our Manager with broad powers and authority which may result in one or more conflicts of interest between your interests and those of the Manager, the principals and its other affiliates. This risk is increased by the Manager being controlled by Benjamin Miller, who is a principal in our sponsor and who participates, or expects to participate, directly or indirectly in other offerings by our sponsor and its affiliates. Potential conflicts of interest include, but are not limited to, the following:

- the Manager, the principals and/or its other affiliates are offering, and may continue to originate and offer, other real estate investment opportunities, including additional equity and debt offerings similar to this offering, primarily through the Fundrise Platform, and may make investments in real estate assets for their own respective accounts, whether or not competitive with our business;
- the Manager, the principals and/or its other affiliates will not be required to disgorge any profits or fees or other compensation they may receive from any other business they own separately from us, and you will not be entitled to receive or share in any of the profits return fees or compensation from any other business owned and operated by the Manager, the principals and/or its other affiliates for their own benefit;
- we may engage the Manager or affiliates of the Manager to perform services at prevailing market rates. Prevailing market rates are determined by the Manager based on industry standards and expectations of what the Manager would be able to negotiate with third party on an arm’s length basis; and
- the Manager, the principals and/or its other affiliates are not required to devote all of their time and efforts to our affairs.
We have agreed to limit remedies available to us and our shareholders for actions by our Manager that might otherwise constitute a breach of duty.

Our Manager maintains a contractual, as opposed to a fiduciary relationship, with us and our shareholders. Accordingly, we and our shareholders will only have recourse and be able to seek remedies against our Manager to the extent it breaches its obligations pursuant to our operating agreement. Furthermore, we have agreed to limit the liability of our Manager and to indemnify our Manager against certain liabilities. These provisions are detrimental to shareholders because they restrict the remedies available to them for actions that without those limitations might constitute breaches of duty, including fiduciary duties. By purchasing our common shares, you will be treated as having consented to the provisions set forth in the operating agreement. In addition, we may choose not to enforce, or to enforce less vigorously, our rights under the operating agreement because of our desire to maintain our ongoing relationship with our Manager.

Risks Related to Our Investments

Our commercial real estate and real estate-related assets will be subject to the risks typically associated with real estate.

Our commercial real estate and real estate-related assets will be subject to the risks typically associated with real estate. The value of real estate may be adversely affected by a number of risks, including:

- natural disasters such as hurricanes, earthquakes and floods;
- acts of war or terrorism, including the consequences of terrorist attacks, such as those that occurred on September 11, 2001;
- adverse changes in national and local economic and real estate conditions;
- an oversupply of (or a reduction in demand for) space in the areas where particular properties are located and the attractiveness of particular properties to prospective tenants;
- changes in governmental laws and regulations, fiscal policies and zoning ordinances and the related costs of compliance therewith and the potential for liability under applicable laws;
- costs of remediation and liabilities associated with environmental conditions affecting properties; and
- the potential for uninsured or underinsured property losses.

The value of each property is affected significantly by its ability to generate cash flow and net income, which in turn depends on the amount of rental or other income that can be generated net of expenses required to be incurred with respect to the property. Many expenditures associated with properties (such as operating expenses and capital expenditures) cannot be reduced when there is a reduction in income from the properties.

In addition, our commercial real estate loans and other debt-related assets will generally be directly or indirectly secured by a lien on real property that, upon the occurrence of a default on the loan, could result in our acquiring ownership of the property. We will not know whether the values of the properties ultimately securing our loans will remain at the levels existing on the dates of origination of those loans. If the values of the mortgaged properties drop, our risk will increase because of the lower value of the security associated with such loans. In this manner, real estate values could impact the values of our loan investments. Our investments in commercial real estate-related debt securities may be similarly affected by real estate property values.

These factors may have a material adverse effect on the value that we can realize from our assets.
The actual rents we receive for the properties in our portfolio may be less than estimated market rents, and we may experience a decline in realized rental rates from time to time, which could adversely affect our financial condition, results of operations and cash flow.

As a result of potential factors, including competitive pricing pressure in our markets, a general economic downturn and the desirability of our properties compared to other properties in our markets, we may be unable to realize our estimated market rents across the properties in our portfolio. Depending on market rental rates at any given time as compared to expiring leases in our portfolio, from time to time rental rates for expiring leases may be higher than starting rental rates for new leases. If we are unable to obtain sufficient rental rates across our portfolio, then our ability to generate cash flow growth will be negatively impacted.

Properties that have significant vacancies could be difficult to sell, which could diminish the return on these properties.

A property may incur vacancies either by the expiration of tenant leases or the continued default of tenants under their leases. If vacancies continue for a long period of time, we may suffer reduced revenues resulting in less cash available for distribution to our shareholders. In addition, the resale value of the property could be diminished because the market value of our properties will depend principally upon the value of the cash flow generated by the leases associated with that property. Such a reduction in the resale value of a property could also reduce the value of our shareholders’ investment.

Further, a decline in general economic conditions in the markets in which our investments are located or in the U.S. generally could lead to an increase in tenant defaults, lower rental rates and less demand for commercial real estate space in those markets. As a result of these trends, we may be more inclined to provide leasing incentives to our tenants in order to compete in a more competitive leasing environment. Such trends may result in reduced revenue and lower resale value of properties, which may reduce your return.

We may enter into long-term leases with tenants in certain properties, which may not result in fair market rental rates over time.

We may enter into long-term leases with tenants of certain of our properties, or include renewal options that specify a maximum rate increase. These leases would provide for rent to increase over time; however, if we do not accurately judge the potential for increases in market rental rates, we may set the terms of these long-term leases at levels such that, even after contractual rent increases, the rent under our long-term leases is less than then-current market rates. Further, we may have no ability to terminate those leases or to adjust the rent to then-prevailing market rates. As a result, our cash available for distribution could be lower than if we did not enter into long-term leases.

Certain property types or portfolios of such properties that we acquire may not have efficient alternative uses and we may have difficulty leasing them to new tenants and/or have to make significant capital expenditures to them to do so.

Certain property types, such as industrial properties, can be difficult to lease to new tenants, should the current tenant terminate or choose not to renew its lease. These properties generally have received significant tenant-specific improvements and only very specific tenants may be able to use such improvements, making the properties very difficult to re-lease in their current condition. Additionally, an interested tenant may demand that, as a condition of executing a lease for the property, we finance and construct significant improvements so that the tenant could use the property. This expense may decrease cash available for distribution, as we likely would have to (i) pay for the improvements up-front or (ii) finance the improvements at potentially unattractive terms.

Any retail tenants we may have will face competition from numerous retail channels and retail tenants may be disproportionately affected by current economic conditions. These events could reduce our profitability at any retail properties we acquire and affect our ability to pay distributions.

Retailers face continued competition from discount or value retailers, factory outlet centers, wholesale clubs, mail order catalogues and operators and television shopping networks. In addition, improvements in technology and faster delivery speeds have spurred the increased popularity of shopping via the Internet. As a result, the “brick and mortar” retail industry is facing lower demand, reductions in sales revenues and increased bankruptcies throughout the United States. Such conditions could adversely affect any retail tenants we may have and, consequently, our funds available for distribution.
We depend on tenants for our revenue, and lease defaults or terminations could reduce our net income and limit our ability to make distributions to our shareholders.

The success of our investments materially depends on the financial stability of our tenants. A default or termination by a tenant on its lease payments to us would cause us to lose the revenue associated with such lease and require us to find an alternative source of revenue to meet mortgage payments and prevent a foreclosure, if the property is subject to a mortgage. In the event of a tenant default or bankruptcy, we may experience delays in enforcing our rights as landlord and may incur substantial costs in protecting our investment and re-leasing our property. If a tenant defaults on or terminates a lease, we may be unable to lease the property for the rent previously received or sell the property without incurring a loss. These events could cause us to reduce the amount of distributions to you.

To the extent we acquire retail properties, our revenue will be significantly impacted by the success and economic viability of our retail anchor tenants. Our reliance on a single tenant or significant tenants in certain buildings may decrease our ability to lease vacated space and adversely affect the returns on our shareholders’ investment.

In the retail sector, a tenant occupying all or a large portion of the gross leasable area of a retail center, commonly referred to as an anchor tenant, may become insolvent, may suffer a downturn in business and default on or terminate its lease, or may decide not to renew its lease. Any of these events would result in a reduction or cessation in rental payments to us from that tenant and would adversely affect our financial condition. A lease termination by an anchor tenant could result in lease terminations or reductions in rent by other tenants whose leases may permit cancellation or rent reduction if an anchor tenant’s lease is terminated. In such event, we may be unable to re-lease the vacated space. Similarly, the leases of some anchor tenants may permit the anchor tenant to transfer its lease to another retailer. The transfer to a new anchor tenant could cause customer traffic in the retail center to decrease and thereby reduce the income generated by that retail center. A lease transfer to a new anchor tenant could also allow other tenants, under the terms of their respective leases, to make reduced rental payments or to terminate their leases. In the event that we are unable to re-lease the vacated space to a new anchor tenant, we may incur additional expenses in order to renovate and subdivide the space to be able to re-lease the space to more than one tenant.

We have no established investment criteria limiting the geographic concentration of our investments in commercial real estate and real estate-related assets. If our investments are concentrated in an area that experiences adverse economic conditions, our investments may lose value and we may experience losses.

 Certain of our investments in commercial real estate and real estate-related assets may be in one geographic location or secured by a single property or properties in one geographic location. These investments may carry the risks associated with significant geographical concentration. We have not established and do not plan to establish any investment criteria to limit our exposure to these risks for future investments. As a result, our investments may be overly concentrated in certain geographic areas, and we may experience losses as a result. A worsening of economic conditions in the geographic area in which our investments may be concentrated could have an adverse effect on our business, including reducing the demand for new financings, limiting the ability of customers to pay financed amounts and impairing the value of our collateral.

Potential development and construction delays and resultant increased costs and risks may hinder our operating results and decrease our net income.

From time to time we may acquire unimproved real property or properties that are under development or construction. Investments in such properties will be subject to the uncertainties associated with the development and construction of real property, including those related to re-zoning land for development, environmental concerns of governmental entities and/or community groups and our builders’ ability to build in conformity with plans, specifications, budgeted costs and timetables. If a builder fails to perform, we may resort to legal action to rescind the purchase or the construction contract or to compel performance. A builder’s performance may also be affected or delayed by conditions beyond the builder’s control. Delays in completing construction could also give tenants the right to terminate preconstruction leases. We may incur additional risks when we make periodic progress payments or other advances to builders before they complete construction. These and other factors can result in increased costs of a project or loss of our investment. In addition, we will be subject to normal lease-up risks relating to newly constructed projects. We also must rely on rental income and expense projections and estimates of the fair market value of property upon completion of construction when agreeing upon a purchase price at the time we acquire the property. If our projections are inaccurate, we may pay too much for a property, and the return on our investment could suffer. In addition, to the extent we make or acquire loans to finance construction or renovation projects, risks of cost overruns and non-completion of the construction or renovation of the properties underlying loans we make or acquire may materially adversely affect our investment.
Actions of any joint venture partners that we may have in the future could reduce the returns on joint venture investments and decrease our shareholders' overall return.

We may enter into joint ventures to acquire properties and other assets. We may also purchase and develop properties in joint ventures or in partnerships, co-tenancies or other co-ownership arrangements. Such investments may involve risks not otherwise present with other methods of investment, including, for example, the following risks:

- that our co-venturer, co-tenant or partner in an investment could become insolvent or bankrupt;
- that such co-venturer, co-tenant or partner may at any time have economic or business interests or goals that are or that become inconsistent with our business interests or goals;
- that such co-venturer, co-tenant or partner may be in a position to take action contrary to our instructions or requests or contrary to our policies or objectives; or
- that disputes between us and our co-venturer, co-tenant or partner may result in litigation or arbitration that would increase our expenses and prevent our officers and directors from focusing their time and effort on our operations.

Any of the above might subject a property to liabilities in excess of those contemplated and thus reduce our returns on that investment and the value of your investment.

Costs imposed pursuant to governmental laws and regulations may reduce our net income and the cash available for distributions to our shareholders.

Real property and the operations conducted on real property are subject to federal, state and local laws and regulations relating to protection of the environment and human health. We could be subject to liability in the form of fines, penalties or damages for noncompliance with these laws and regulations. These laws and regulations generally govern wastewater discharges, air emissions, the operation and removal of underground and above-ground storage tanks, the use, storage, treatment, transportation and disposal of solid and hazardous materials, the remediation of contamination associated with the release or disposal of solid and hazardous materials, the presence of toxic building materials and other health and safety-related concerns.

Some of these laws and regulations may impose joint and several liability on the tenants, owners or operators of real property for the costs to investigate or remediate contaminated properties, regardless of fault, whether the contamination occurred prior to purchase, or whether the acts causing the contamination were legal. Activities of our tenants, the condition of properties at the time we buy them, operations in the vicinity of our properties, such as the presence of underground storage tanks, or activities of unrelated third parties may affect our properties.
The presence of hazardous substances, or the failure to properly manage or remediate these substances, may hinder our ability to sell, rent or pledge such property as collateral for future borrowings. Any material expenditures, fines, penalties or damages we must pay will reduce our ability to make distributions and may reduce the value of your investment.

The costs of defending against claims of environmental liability, of complying with environmental regulatory requirements, of remediating any contaminated property or of paying personal injury or other damage claims could reduce the amounts available for distribution to our shareholders.

Under various federal, state and local environmental laws, ordinances and regulations, a current or previous real property owner or operator may be liable for the cost of removing or remediating hazardous or toxic substances on, under or in such property. These costs could be substantial. Such laws often impose liability whether or not the owner or operator knew of, or was responsible for, the presence of such hazardous or toxic substances. Environmental laws also may impose liens on property or restrictions on the manner in which property may be used or businesses may be operated, and these restrictions may require substantial expenditures or prevent us from entering into leases with prospective tenants that may be impacted by such laws. Environmental laws provide for sanctions for noncompliance and may be enforced by governmental agencies or, in certain circumstances, by private parties. Certain environmental laws and common law principles could be used to impose liability for the release of and exposure to hazardous substances, including asbestos-containing materials and lead-based paint. Third parties may seek recovery from real property owners or operators for personal injury or property damage associated with exposure to released hazardous substances and governments may seek recovery for natural resource damage. The costs of defending against claims of environmental liability, of complying with environmental regulatory requirements, of remediating any contaminated property, or of paying personal injury, property damage or natural resource damage claims could reduce the amounts available for distribution to you.

We expect that all of our properties will be subject to Phase I environmental assessments at the time they are acquired; however, such assessments may not provide complete environmental histories due, for example, to limited available information about prior operations at the properties or other gaps in information at the time we acquire the property. A Phase I environmental assessment is an initial environmental investigation to identify potential environmental liabilities associated with the current and past uses of a given property. If any of our properties were found to contain hazardous or toxic substances after our acquisition, the value of our investment could decrease below the amount paid for such investment. In addition, real estate-related investments in which we invest may be secured by properties with recognized environmental conditions. Where we are secured creditors, we will attempt to acquire contractual agreements, including environmental indemnities, that protect us from losses arising out of environmental problems in the event the property is transferred by foreclosure or bankruptcy; however, no assurances can be given that such indemnities would fully protect us from responsibility for costs associated with addressing any environmental problems related to such properties.

Costs associated with complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act may decrease cash available for distributions.

Our properties may be subject to the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, or the ADA. Under the ADA, all places of public accommodation are required to comply with federal requirements related to access and use by disabled persons. The ADA has separate compliance requirements for “public accommodations” and “commercial facilities” that generally require that buildings and services be made accessible and available to people with disabilities. The ADA's requirements could require removal of access barriers and could result in the imposition of injunctive relief, monetary penalties or, in some cases, an award of damages. Any funds used for ADA compliance will reduce our net income and the amount of cash available for distributions to you.

Uninsured losses relating to real property or excessively expensive premiums for insurance coverage could reduce our cash flows and the return on our shareholders’ investment.

There are types of losses, generally catastrophic in nature, such as losses due to wars, acts of terrorism, earthquakes, floods, hurricanes, pollution or environmental matters, that are uninsurable or not economically insurable, or may be insured subject to limitations, such as large deductibles or co-payments. Insurance risks associated with potential acts of terrorism could sharply increase the premiums we pay for coverage against property and casualty claims. Additionally, mortgage lenders in some cases insist that commercial property owners purchase coverage against terrorism as a condition for providing mortgage loans. Such insurance policies may not be available at reasonable costs, if at all, which could inhibit our ability to finance or refinance our properties. In such instances, we may be required to provide other financial support, either through financial assurances or self-insurance, to cover potential losses. We may not have adequate coverage for such losses. If any of our properties incurs a casualty loss that is not fully insured, the value of our assets will be reduced by any such uninsured loss, which may reduce the value of your investment. In addition, other than any working capital reserve or other reserves we may establish, we have no source of funding to repair or reconstruct any uninsured property. Also, to the extent we must pay unexpectedly large amounts for insurance, we could suffer reduced earnings that would result in lower distributions to you.
In addition, insurance may not cover all potential losses on properties underlying mortgage loans that we may originate or acquire, which may impair our security and harm the value of our assets. We will require that each of the borrowers under our mortgage loan investments obtain comprehensive insurance covering the mortgaged property, including liability, fire and extended coverage. However, there are certain types of losses, generally of a catastrophic nature, such as earthquakes, floods and hurricanes that may be uninsurable or not economically insurable. We may not require borrowers to obtain terrorism insurance if it is deemed commercially unreasonable. Inflation, changes in building codes and ordinances, environmental considerations, and other factors also might make it infeasible to use insurance proceeds to replace a property if it is damaged or destroyed. Under such circumstances, the insurance proceeds, if any, might not be adequate to restore the economic value of the mortgaged property, which might impair our security and decrease the value of the property.

The commercial real estate loans we may originate or invest in could be subject to delinquency, foreclosure and loss, which could result in losses to us.

Commercial real estate loans are secured by multifamily or commercial property and are subject to risks of delinquency and foreclosure. The ability of a borrower to repay a loan secured by an income-producing property typically is dependent primarily upon the successful operation of such property rather than upon the existence of independent income or assets of the borrower. If the net operating income of the property is reduced, the borrower’s ability to repay the loan may be impaired. Net operating income of an income-producing property can be affected by, among other things: tenant mix, success of tenant businesses, property management decisions, property location and condition, competition from comparable types of properties, changes in laws that increase operating expenses or limit rents that may be charged, any need to address environmental contamination at the property, the occurrence of any uninsured casualty at the property, changes in national, regional or local economic conditions and/or specific industry segments, declines in regional or local real estate values, declines in regional or local rental or occupancy rates, increases in interest rates, real estate tax rates and other operating expenses, changes in governmental rules, regulations and fiscal policies, including environmental legislation, natural disasters, terrorism, social unrest and civil disturbances. In addition, to the extent we originate or acquire adjustable rate mortgage loans, such loans may contribute to higher delinquency rates because borrowers with adjustable rate mortgage loans may be exposed to increased monthly payments if the related mortgage interest rate adjusts upward from the initial fixed rate.

In the event of any default under a mortgage loan held directly by us, we will bear a risk of loss of principal to the extent of any deficiency between the value of the collateral and the principal and accrued interest of the mortgage loan, which could have a material adverse effect on our cash flow from operations. We expect that many of the commercial real estate loans that we may originate will be fully or substantially non-recourse. In the event of a default by a borrower on a non-recourse loan, we will only have recourse to the underlying asset (including any escrowed funds and reserves) collateralizing the loan. If a borrower defaults on one of our commercial real estate loans and the underlying asset collateralizing the commercial real estate loan is insufficient to satisfy the outstanding balance of the commercial real estate loan, we may suffer a loss of principal or interest. In addition, even if we have recourse to a borrower’s assets, we may not have full recourse to such assets in the event of a borrower bankruptcy.

Foreclosure of a mortgage loan can be an expensive and lengthy process that could have a substantial negative effect on our anticipated return on the foreclosed mortgage loan. In the event of the bankruptcy of a mortgage loan borrower, the mortgage loan to such borrower will be deemed to be secured only to the extent of the value of the mortgaged property at the time of bankruptcy (as determined by the bankruptcy court), and the lien securing the mortgage loan will be subject to the avoidance powers of the bankruptcy trustee or debtor-in-possession to the extent the lien is unenforceable under state law. The resulting time delay could reduce the value of our investment in the defaulted mortgage loans, impede our ability to foreclose on or sell the mortgaged property or to obtain proceeds sufficient to repay all amounts due to us on the mortgage loan.
Our investments in subordinated commercial real estate loans may be subject to losses.

We may acquire or originate subordinated commercial real estate loans. In the event a borrower defaults on a subordinated loan and lacks sufficient assets to satisfy our loan, we may suffer a loss of principal or interest. In the event a borrower declares bankruptcy, we may not have full recourse to the assets of the borrower, or the assets of the borrower may not be sufficient to satisfy the loan. If a borrower defaults on our loan or on debt senior to our loan, or in the event of a borrower bankruptcy, our loan will be satisfied only after the senior debt is paid in full. Where debt senior to our loan exists, the presence of intercreditor arrangements may limit our ability to amend our loan documents, assign our loans, accept prepayments, exercise our remedies (through “standstill periods”), and control decisions made in bankruptcy proceedings relating to borrowers.

The mezzanine loans in which we may invest involve greater risks of loss than senior loans secured by the same properties.

We may invest in mezzanine loans that take the form of subordinated loans secured by a pledge of the ownership interests of either the entity owning the real property or an entity that owns (directly or indirectly) the interest in the entity owning the real property. These types of investments may involve a higher degree of risk than long-term senior mortgage lending secured by income-producing real property because the investment may become unsecured as a result of foreclosure by the senior lender. In the event of a bankruptcy of the entity providing the pledge of its ownership interests as security, we may not have full recourse to the assets of such entity, or the assets of the entity may not be sufficient to satisfy our mezzanine loan. If a borrower defaults on our mezzanine loan or debt senior to our loan, or in the event of a borrower bankruptcy, our mezzanine loan will be satisfied only after the senior debt. As a result, we may not recover some or all of our investment. In addition, mezzanine loans may have higher loan-to-value ratios than conventional mortgage loans, resulting in less equity in the real property and increasing the risk of loss of principal.

Majority-owned subsidiaries we may invest in will be subject to specific risks relating to the particular subsidiary.

We may also invest in majority-owned subsidiaries owning real estate where we are entitled to receive a preferred economic return. Such investments may be subordinate to debt financing. These investments will involve special risks relating to the particular subsidiary, including the financial condition and business outlook of the subsidiary. To the extent these investments are subordinate to debt financing, they will also be subject to risks of (i) limited liquidity in the secondary trading market, (ii) substantial market price volatility resulting from changes in prevailing interest rates, (iii) subordination to the prior claims of banks and other senior lenders to the issuer, (iv) the operation of mandatory sinking fund or call or redemption provisions during periods of declining interest rates that could cause the subsidiary to reinvest any redemption proceeds in lower yielding assets, (v) the possibility that earnings of the subsidiary may be insufficient to meet any distribution obligations and (vi) the declining creditworthiness and potential for insolvency of the subsidiary during periods of rising interest rates and economic downturn. As a result, we may not recover some or all of our capital, which could result in losses.

Investments in non-conforming or non-investment grade rated loans involve greater risk of loss.

Some of our debt investments, if any, may not conform to conventional loan standards applied by traditional lenders and either will not be rated or will be rated as non-investment grade by the rating agencies. The non-investment grade ratings for these assets typically result from the overall leverage of the loans, the lack of a strong operating history for the properties underlying the loans, the borrowers’ credit history, the properties’ underlying cash flow or other factors. As a result, these investments may have a higher risk of default and loss than investment grade rated assets. Any loss we incur may be significant and may reduce distributions to our shareholders and adversely affect the value of our common shares.
**Risks of cost overruns and non-completion of the construction or renovation of the properties underlying loans we make or acquire may materially adversely affect our investment.**

The renovation, refurbishment or expansion by a borrower under a mortgaged or leveraged property involves risks of cost overruns and non-completion. Costs of construction or improvements to bring a property up to standards established for the market position intended for that property may exceed original estimates, possibly making a project uneconomical. Other risks may include environmental risks and construction, rehabilitation and subsequent leasing of the property not being completed on schedule. If such construction or renovation is not completed in a timely manner, or if it costs more than expected, the borrower may experience a prolonged impairment of net operating income and may not be able to make payments on our investment.

**We may invest in CMBS, which are subject to several types of risks that may adversely impact our performance.**

Commercial mortgage-backed securities, or CMBS, are bonds that evidence interests in, or are secured by, a single commercial mortgage loan or a pool of commercial mortgage loans. Accordingly, the mortgage-backed securities we may invest in are subject to all the risks of the underlying mortgage loans, including the risks of prepayment or default.

In a rising interest rate environment, the value of CMBS may be adversely affected when repayments on underlying mortgage loans do not occur as anticipated, resulting in the extension of the security’s effective maturity and the related increase in interest rate sensitivity of a longer-term instrument. The prices of lower credit quality securities are generally less sensitive to interest rate changes than more highly rated assets but more sensitive to adverse economic downturns or individual issuer developments. A projection of an economic downturn, for example, could cause a decline in the price of lower credit quality securities because the ability of obligors of mortgages underlying CMBS to make principal and interest payments or to refinance may be impaired. In this case, existing credit support in the securitization structure may be insufficient to protect us against loss of our principal on these securities. The value of CMBS also may change due to shifts in the market’s perception of issuers and regulatory or tax changes adversely affecting the mortgage securities markets as a whole. In addition, CMBS are subject to the credit risk associated with the performance of the underlying mortgage properties.

CMBS are also subject to several risks created through the securitization process. Certain subordinate CMBS are paid interest only to the extent that there are funds available to make payments. To the extent the collateral pool includes a large percentage of delinquent loans, there is a risk that interest payment on subordinate CMBS will not be fully paid. Subordinate securities of CMBS are also subject to greater risk than those CMBS that are more highly rated.

**We may not control the special servicing of the mortgage loans included in the CMBS in which we may invest and, in such cases, the special servicer may take actions that could adversely affect our interests.**

With respect to each series of CMBS in which we may invest, overall control over the special servicing of the related underlying mortgage loans may be held by a directing certificate holder, which is appointed by the holders of the most subordinate class of CMBS in such series. We may acquire classes of existing series of CMBS where we will not have the right to appoint the directing certificate holder. In connection with the servicing of the specially serviced mortgage loans, the related special servicer may, at the direction of the directing certificate holder, take actions that could adversely affect our interests.

**We may invest in CDOs and such investments may involve significant risks.**

We may invest in CDOs. CDOs are multiple class debt securities, or bonds, secured by pools of assets, such as mortgage-backed securities, B-Notes, mezzanine loans, REIT debt and credit default swaps. Like typical securities structures, in a CDO, the assets are pledged to a trustee for the benefit of the holders of the bonds. Like CMBS, CDOs are affected by payments, defaults, delinquencies and losses on the underlying commercial real estate loans. CDOs often have reinvestment periods that typically last for five years during which proceeds from the sale of a collateral asset may be invested in substitute collateral. Upon termination of the reinvestment period, the static pool functions very similarly to a CMBS securitization where repayment of principal allows for redemption of bonds sequentially. To the extent we invest in the equity securities of a CDO, we will be entitled to all of the income generated by the CDO after the CDO pays all of the interest due on the senior debt securities and its expenses. However, there will be little or no income or principal available to the CDO equity if defaults or losses on the underlying collateral exceed a certain amount. In that event, the value of our investment in any equity class of a CDO could decrease substantially. In addition, the equity securities of CDOs are generally illiquid and often must be held by a REIT and because they represent a leveraged investment in the CDO’s assets, the value of the equity securities will generally have greater fluctuations than the values of the underlying collateral.
**Investments that are not United States government insured involve risk of loss.**

We may originate and acquire uninsured loans and assets as part of our investment strategy. Such loans and assets may include mortgage loans, mezzanine loans and bridge loans. While holding such interests, we are subject to risks of borrower defaults, bankruptcies, fraud, losses and special hazard losses that are not covered by standard hazard insurance. In the event of any default under loans, we bear the risk of loss of principal and nonpayment of interest and fees to the extent of any deficiency between the value of the collateral and the principal amount of the loan. To the extent we suffer such losses with respect to our investments in such loans, the value of the Company and the value of our common shares may be adversely affected.

**Adjustable rate mortgage loans may entail greater risks of default to lenders than fixed rate mortgage loans.**

Adjustable rate mortgage loans may contribute to higher delinquency rates. Borrowers with adjustable rate mortgage loans may be exposed to increased monthly payments if the related mortgage interest rate adjusts upward from the initial fixed rate or a low introductory rate, as applicable, in effect during the initial period of the mortgage loan to the rate computed in accordance with the applicable index and margin. This increase in borrowers’ monthly payments, together with any increase in prevailing market interest rates, after the initial fixed rate period, may result in significantly increased monthly payments for borrowers with adjustable rate mortgage loans, which may make it more difficult for the borrowers to repay the loan or could increase the risk of default of their obligations under the loan.

**Changes in interest rates and/or credit spreads could negatively affect the value of any debt investments we may make, which could result in reduced earnings or losses and negatively affect the cash available for distribution to our shareholders.**

We may invest in fixed-rate debt investments with fixed distribution amounts. Under a normal yield curve, an investment in these instruments will decline in value if long-term interest rates increase or if credit spreads widen. We may also invest in floating-rate debt investments, for which decreases in interest rates or narrowing of credit spreads will have a negative effect on value and interest income. Even though a loan or other debt investment may be performing in accordance with its loan agreement and the underlying collateral has not changed, the economic value of the loan may be negatively impacted by the incremental interest foregone from the changes in interest rates or credit spreads. Declines in market value may ultimately reduce earnings or result in losses to us, which may negatively affect cash available for distribution to our shareholders.

**Prepayments can adversely affect the yields on any debt investments we may make.**

Prepayments on debt instruments, where permitted under the debt documents, are influenced by changes in current interest rates and a variety of economic, geographic and other factors beyond our control, and consequently, such prepayment rates cannot be predicted with certainty. If we are unable to invest the proceeds of such prepayments received, the yield on our portfolio will decline. In addition, we may acquire assets at a discount or premium and if the asset does not repay when expected, our anticipated yield may be impacted. Under certain interest rate and prepayment scenarios we may fail to recoup fully our cost of acquisition of certain investments.
Hedging against interest rate exposure may adversely affect our earnings, limit our gains or result in losses, which could adversely affect cash available for distribution to our shareholders.

We may enter into interest rate swap agreements or pursue other interest rate hedging strategies. Our hedging activity, if any, will vary in scope based on the level of interest rates, the type of portfolio investments held, and other changing market conditions. Interest rate hedging may fail to protect or could adversely affect us because, among other things:

- interest rate hedging can be expensive, particularly during periods of rising and volatile interest rates;
- available interest rate hedging may not correspond directly with the interest rate risk for which protection is sought;
- the duration of the hedge may not match the duration of the related liability or asset;
- our hedging opportunities may be limited by the treatment of income from hedging transactions under the rules determining REIT qualification;
- the credit quality of the party owing money on the hedge may be downgraded to such an extent that it impairs our ability to sell or assign our side of the hedging transaction;
- the party owing money in the hedging transaction may default on its obligation to pay; and
- we may purchase a hedge that turns out not to be necessary, i.e., a hedge that is out of the money.

Any hedging activity we engage in may adversely affect our earnings, which could adversely affect cash available for distribution to our shareholders. Therefore, while we may enter into such transactions to seek to reduce interest rate risks, unanticipated changes in interest rates may result in poorer overall investment performance than if we had not engaged in any such hedging transactions. In addition, the degree of correlation between price movements of the instruments used in a hedging strategy and price movements in the portfolio positions being hedged or liabilities being hedged may vary materially. Moreover, for a variety of reasons, we may not seek to establish a perfect correlation between such hedging instruments and the portfolio holdings being hedged. Any such imperfect correlation may prevent us from achieving the intended hedge and expose us to risk of loss.

Many of our investments are illiquid and we may not be able to vary our portfolio in response to changes in economic and other conditions.

Many factors that are beyond our control affect the real estate market and could affect our ability to sell properties and other investments for the price, on the terms or within the time frame that we desire. These factors include general economic conditions, the availability of financing, interest rates and other factors, including supply and demand. Because real estate investments are relatively illiquid, we have a limited ability to vary our portfolio in response to changes in economic or other conditions. Further, before we can sell a property on the terms we want, it may be necessary to expend funds to correct defects or to make improvements. However, we cannot give any assurance that we will have the funds available to correct such defects or to make such improvements. Moreover, the senior mortgage loans, subordinated loans, mezzanine loans and other loans and investments we may originate or purchase will be particularly illiquid investments due to their short life and the greater difficulty of recoupment in the event of a borrower’s default. In addition, some of the commercial real estate-related securities that we may purchase may be traded in private, unregistered transactions and may therefore be subject to restrictions on resale or otherwise have no established trading market. As a result, we expect many of our investments will be illiquid, and if we are required to liquidate all or a portion of our portfolio quickly, we may realize significantly less than the value at which we have previously recorded our investments and our ability to vary our portfolio in response to changes in economic and other conditions may be relatively limited, which could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition.
Declines in the market values of our investments may adversely affect periodic reported results of operations and credit availability, which may reduce earnings and, in turn, cash available for distribution to our shareholders.

Some of our assets may be classified for accounting purposes as “available-for-sale.” These investments are carried at estimated fair value and temporary changes in the market values of those assets will be directly charged or credited to shareholders’ equity without impacting net income on the income statement. Moreover, if we determine that a decline in the estimated fair value of an available-for-sale security falls below its amortized value and is not temporary, we will recognize a loss on that security on the income statement, which will reduce our earnings in the period recognized.

A decline in the market value of our assets may adversely affect us particularly in instances where we have borrowed money based on the market value of those assets. If the market value of those assets declines, the lender may require us to post additional collateral to support the loan. If we were unable to post the additional collateral, we may have to sell assets at a time when we might not otherwise choose to do so. A reduction in credit available may reduce our earnings and, in turn, cash available for distribution to shareholders.

Further, credit facility providers may require us to maintain a certain amount of cash reserves or to set aside unlevered assets sufficient to maintain a specified liquidity position, which would allow us to satisfy our collateral obligations. As a result, we may not be able to leverage our assets as fully as we would choose, which could reduce our return on equity. In the event that we are unable to meet these contractual obligations, our financial condition could deteriorate rapidly.

Market values of our investments may decline for a number of reasons, such as changes in prevailing market rates, increases in defaults, increases in voluntary prepayments for those investments that we have that are subject to prepayment risk, widening of credit spreads and downgrades of ratings of the securities by ratings agencies.

Some of our portfolio investments will be carried at estimated fair value as determined by us and, as a result, there may be uncertainty as to the value of these investments.

Some of our portfolio investments will be in the form of securities that are recorded at fair value but that have limited liquidity or are not publicly traded. The fair value of securities and other investments that have limited liquidity or are not publicly traded may not be readily determinable. We estimate the fair value of these investments on a semi-annual basis. Because such valuations are inherently uncertain, may fluctuate over short periods of time and may be based on numerous estimates, our determinations of fair value may differ materially from the values that would have been used if a ready market for these securities existed. The value of our common shares could be adversely affected if our determinations regarding the fair value of these investments are materially higher than the values that we ultimately realize upon their disposal.

Competition with third parties in acquiring properties and other investments may reduce our profitability and the return on your investment.

We have significant competition with respect to our acquisition of properties, originating loans, and other investments with many other companies, including other REITs, insurance companies, commercial banks, private investment funds, hedge funds, specialty finance companies, online investment platforms and other investors, many of which have greater resources than us. We may not be able to compete successfully for investments. In addition, the number of entities and the amount of funds competing for suitable investments may increase. If we acquire properties and other investments at higher prices or originate loans on more generous terms than our competitors and/or by using less-than-ideal capital structures, our returns will be lower and the value of our assets may not increase or may decrease significantly below the amount we paid for such assets. If such events occur, you may experience a lower return on your investment.
A prolonged economic slowdown, a lengthy or severe recession or declining real estate values could harm our operations.

Many of our investments may be susceptible to economic slowdowns or recessions, which could lead to financial losses in our investments and a decrease in revenues, net income and assets. An economic slowdown or recession, in addition to other non-economic factors such as an excess supply of properties, could have a material negative impact on the values of both commercial real estate and residential real estate properties. Declining real estate values will likely reduce our level of new mortgage loan originations, since borrowers often use increases in the value of their existing properties to support the purchase or investment in additional properties. Borrowers may also be less able to pay principal and interest on our loans if the real estate economy weakens. Further, declining real estate values significantly increase the likelihood that we will incur losses on our loans in the event of default because the value of our collateral may be insufficient to cover our cost on the loan. Any sustained period of increased payment delinquencies, foreclosures or losses could adversely affect both our net interest income from loans in our portfolio as well as our ability to originate, sell and securitize loans, which would significantly harm our revenues, results of operations, financial condition, business prospects and our ability to make distributions to you.

If we sell a property by providing financing to the purchaser, we will bear the risk of default by the purchaser, which could delay or reduce the distributions available to our shareholders.

If we decide to sell any of our properties, we intend to use our best efforts to sell them for cash; however, in some instances, we may sell our properties by providing financing to purchasers. When we provide financing to a purchaser, we will bear the risk that the purchaser may default, which could reduce our cash distributions to shareholders. Even in the absence of a purchaser default, the distribution of the proceeds of the sale to our shareholders, or the reinvestment of the proceeds in other assets, will be delayed until the promissory note or other property we may accept upon a sale are actually paid, sold, refinanced or otherwise disposed.

Insurance may not cover all potential losses on the mortgaged properties, which may impair our security and harm the value of our assets.

We will require that each of the borrowers under our mortgage loan investments obtain comprehensive insurance covering the mortgaged property, including liability, fire and extended coverage. However, there are certain types of losses, generally of a catastrophic nature, such as earthquakes, floods and hurricanes that may be uninsurable or not economically insurable. We may not require borrowers to obtain terrorism insurance if it is deemed commercially unreasonable. Inflation, changes in building codes and ordinances, environmental considerations, and other factors also might make it infeasible to use insurance proceeds to replace a property if it is damaged or destroyed. Under such circumstances, the insurance proceeds, if any, might not be adequate to restore the economic value of the mortgaged property, which might impair our security and decrease the value of the property.

With respect to mortgaged properties, options and other purchase rights may affect value or hinder recovery.

A borrower under certain mortgage loans may give its tenants or another person a right of first refusal or an option to purchase all or a portion of the related mortgaged property. These rights may impede the lender’s ability to sell the related mortgaged property at foreclosure or may adversely affect the value or marketability of the property.

If we overestimate the value or income-producing ability or incorrectly price the risks of our investments, we may experience losses.

Analysis of the value or income-producing ability of a commercial property is highly subjective and may be subject to error. Our Manager will value our potential investments based on yields and risks, taking into account estimated future losses on the commercial real estate loans and the mortgaged property included in the securitization’s pools or select commercial real estate equity investments, and the estimated impact of these losses on expected future cash flows and returns. In the event that we underestimate the risks relative to the price we pay for a particular investment, we may experience losses with respect to such investment.
A borrower’s form of entity may cause special risks or hinder our recovery.

Since most of the borrowers for our commercial real estate loan investments are legal entities rather than individuals, our risk of loss may be greater than those of mortgage loans made to individuals. Unlike individuals involved in bankruptcies, most of the entities generally do not have personal assets and creditworthiness at stake. The terms of the mortgage loans generally require that the borrowers covenant to be single-purpose entities, although in some instances the borrowers are not required to observe all covenants and conditions that typically are required in order for them to be viewed under standard rating agency criteria as “single-purpose entities.” Borrowers’ organizational documents or the terms of the mortgage loans may limit their activities to the ownership of only the related mortgaged property or properties and limit the borrowers’ ability to incur additional indebtedness. These provisions are designed to mitigate the possibility that the borrowers’ financial condition would be adversely impacted by factors unrelated to the mortgaged property and the mortgage loan in the pool.

The bankruptcy of a borrower, or a general partner or managing member of a borrower, may impair the ability of the lender to enforce its rights and remedies under the related mortgage. Borrowers that are not single-purpose entities structured to limit the possibility of becoming insolvent or bankrupt, may be more likely to become insolvent or the subject of a voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy proceeding because the borrowers may be (i) operating entities with a business distinct from the operation of the mortgaged property with the associated liabilities and risks of operating an ongoing business or (ii) individuals that have personal liabilities unrelated to the property.

We are exposed to environmental liabilities with respect to properties to which we take title.

In the course of our business, we may take title to real estate, and, if we do take title, we could be subject to environmental liabilities with respect to these properties. In such a circumstance, we may be held liable to a governmental entity or to third parties for property damage, personal injury, and investigation and clean-up costs incurred by these parties in connection with environmental contamination, or may be required to investigate or clean up hazardous or toxic substances, or chemical releases, at a property. The costs associated with investigation or remediation activities could be substantial. If we ever become subject to significant environmental liabilities, our business, financial condition, liquidity and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected.

A number of our investments are concentrated in the residential sector and our business would be adversely affected by an economic downturn in that sector.

A number of our investments in real estate assets are primarily concentrated in the residential sector. This concentration may expose us to the risk of economic downturns in this sector to a greater extent than if our business activities included a more significant portion of other sectors of the real estate industry.

Risks Relating to Economic Conditions

Economic recessions or downturns may have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Economic recessions or downturns may result in a prolonged period of market illiquidity, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Unfavorable economic conditions also could reduce investments on the Fundrise Platform by investors and engagement by real estate operators. Periods of economic slowdown or recession, significantly rising interest rates, declining employment levels, decreasing demand for real estate, or the public perception that any of these events may occur, have resulted in and could continue to result in a general decline in acquisition, disposition and leasing activity, as well as a general decline in the value of real estate and in rents. These events could adversely affect our demand among investors, which will impact our results of operations.

During an economic downturn, it may also take longer for us to dispose of real estate investments, or the disposition prices may be lower than originally anticipated. As a result, the carrying value of such real estate investments may become impaired and we could record losses as a result of such impairment or could experience reduced profitability related to declines in real estate values. These events could adversely affect our performance and, in turn, our business, and negatively impact our results of operations.
Negative general economic conditions could continue to reduce the overall amount of sale and leasing activity in the commercial real estate industry, and hence the demand for our securities, which may in turn adversely affect our revenues. We are unable to predict the likely duration and severity of the current disruption in financial markets and adverse economic conditions in the United States and other countries.

**Further downgrades of the U.S. credit rating, impending automatic spending cuts or a government shutdown could negatively impact our liquidity, financial condition and earnings.**

Recent U.S. debt ceiling and budget deficit concerns have increased the possibility of additional credit rating downgrades and economic slowdowns, or a recession in the United States. Although U.S. lawmakers passed legislation to raise the federal debt ceiling on multiple occasions, ratings agencies have lowered or threatened to lower the long-term sovereign credit rating on the United States. The impact of this or any further downgrades to the U.S. government’s sovereign credit rating or its perceived creditworthiness could adversely affect the United States and global financial markets and economic conditions. With the improvement of the U.S. economy, the Federal Reserve may continue to raise interest rates, which would increase borrowing costs and may negatively impact our ability to access the debt markets on favorable terms. In addition, disagreement over the federal budget has caused the U.S. federal government to essentially shut down for periods of time. Continued adverse political and economic conditions could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

**Global economic, political and market conditions and economic uncertainty may adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.**

The current worldwide financial market situation, as well as various social and political tensions in the United States and around the world, may continue to contribute to increased market volatility, may have long-term effects on the United States and worldwide financial markets, and may cause further economic uncertainties or deterioration in the United States and worldwide. Economic uncertainty can have a negative impact on our business through changing spreads, structures and purchase multiples, as well as the overall supply of investment capital. Since 2010, several European Union, or EU, countries, including Greece, Ireland, Italy, Spain, and Portugal, have faced budget issues, some of which may have negative long-term effects for the economies of those countries and other EU countries. Additionally, the precise details and the resulting impact of the United Kingdom’s vote to leave the EU, commonly referred to as “Brexit,” are impossible to ascertain at this point. The effect on the United Kingdom’s economy will likely depend on the nature of trade relations with the EU following its exit, a matter to be negotiated. The decision may cause increased volatility and have a significant adverse impact on world financial markets, other international trade agreements, and the United Kingdom and European economies, as well as the broader global economy for some time. Further, there is continued concern about national-level support for the Euro and the accompanying coordination of fiscal and wage policy among European Economic and Monetary Union member countries. In addition, the fiscal policy of foreign nations, such as China, may have a severe impact on the worldwide and United States financial markets. We do not know how long the financial markets will continue to be affected by these events and cannot predict the effects of these or similar events in the future on the United States economy and securities markets or on our investments. As a result of these factors, there can be no assurance that we will be able to successfully monitor developments and manage our investments in a manner consistent with achieving our investment objectives.

**Risks Related to Our Organization and Structure**

**Our shareholders do not elect or vote on our Manager and have limited ability to influence decisions regarding our business.**

Our operating agreement provides that the assets, affairs and business of our Company will be managed under the direction of our Manager. Our shareholders do not elect or vote on our Manager, and, unlike the holders of common shares in a corporation, have only limited voting rights on matters affecting our business, and therefore limited ability to influence decisions regarding our business. In addition, our operating agreement provides that the Manager will generally operate in a manner that is appropriate to maintain our REIT status, which may further limit decisions regarding our business.
Our common shareholders will have limited voting rights and may be bound by either a majority or supermajority vote.

Our common shareholders will have voting rights only with respect to certain matters, primarily relating to amendments to our operating agreement that would adversely change the rights of the common shares, removal of our Manager for “cause,” and the dissolution of the issuer (only if the Manager has been removed for “cause”). Each outstanding common share entitles the holder to one vote on all matters submitted to a vote of common shareholders. Generally, matters to be voted on by our shareholders must be approved by a majority of the votes cast by all common shares present in person or represented by proxy, although the vote to remove the Manager for “cause” requires a two-thirds vote. If any vote occurs, you will be bound by the majority or supermajority vote, as applicable, even if you did not vote with the majority or supermajority.

As a non-listed company conducting an exempt offering pursuant to Regulation A, we are not subject to a number of corporate governance requirements, including the requirements for a board of directors or independent board committees.

As a non-listed company conducting an exempt offering pursuant to Regulation A, we are not subject to a number of corporate governance requirements that an issuer conducting an offering on Form S-11 or listing on a national stock exchange would be. Accordingly, while we will retain an independent representative to review certain conflicts of interest, we do not have a board of directors, nor are we required to have (i) a board of directors of which a majority consists of “independent” directors under the listing standards of a national stock exchange, (ii) an audit committee composed entirely of independent directors and a written audit committee charter meeting a national stock exchange’s requirements, (iii) a nominating/corporate governance committee composed entirely of independent directors and a written nominating/corporate governance committee charter meeting a national stock exchange’s requirements, (iv) a compensation committee composed entirely of independent directors and a written compensation committee charter meeting the requirements of a national stock exchange, and (v) independent audits of our internal controls. Accordingly, you may not have the same protections afforded to shareholders of companies that are subject to all of the corporate governance requirements of a national stock exchange.

As our sponsor establishes additional REIT offerings and other Fundrise Platform investment opportunities in the future, there may be conflicts of interests among the various REIT offerings, which may result in opportunities that would benefit our Company being allocated to the other offerings.

Our sponsor has in the past, and expects to continue in the future, to establish and sponsor additional REIT offerings, and to continue to offer investment opportunities through the Fundrise Platform, including offerings that will originate, acquire or invest in commercial real estate equity investments, commercial real estate loans and other select real estate-related assets. Our sponsor’s real estate and debt finance professionals acting on behalf of our Manager must determine which investment opportunities to recommend to us and other Fundrise entities. Our sponsor has previously organized, as of the date of this offering circular, the following similar programs (eREITs® and eFunds):

- The Income eREIT® II, Income eREIT® III, Income eREIT® 2019, Income eREIT® V, and Income eREIT® VI, which were formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio of commercial real estate investments through the acquisition of commercial real estate loans;

- The Growth eREIT®, Growth eREIT® II, Growth eREIT® III, Growth eREIT® 2019, Growth eREIT® V, and Growth eREIT® VI, which were formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio of commercial real estate properties;

- The Heartland eREIT®, which was formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio primarily consisting of investments in multifamily rental properties and development projects located primarily in the Houston, TX, Dallas, TX, Austin, TX, Chicago, IL, and Denver, CO metropolitan statistical areas;
• The West Coast eREIT®, which was formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio primarily consisting of investments in multifamily rental properties and development projects located primarily in the Los Angeles, CA, San Francisco, CA, San Diego, CA, Seattle, WA, and Portland, OR metropolitan statistical areas;

• The East Coast eREIT®, which was formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio primarily consisting of investments in multifamily rental properties and development projects located primarily in the states of Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, as well as the metropolitan statistical areas of Washington, DC and Philadelphia, PA;

• The LA Homes eFund™, which was formed to acquire property for the development of for-sale housing in the Los Angeles, CA metropolitan statistical area;

• The DC Homes eFund™, which was formed to acquire property for the development of for-sale housing in the Washington, DC metropolitan statistical area; and

• The National For-Sale eFund™, which was formed to acquire property for the development of for-sale housing in the metropolitan statistical areas in which our sponsor is not currently sponsoring another regionally or locally focused eFund™, or to acquire assets in such regions that are not currently the focus of another eFund.

These additional Fundrise Platform investment opportunities may have investment criteria that compete with us. If a sale, financing, investment or other business opportunity would be suitable for more than one investment opportunity, our sponsor and its officers and directors will allocate it using their business judgment. Any allocation of this type may involve the consideration of a number of factors that our sponsor and its officers and directors determine to be relevant. Except under any policies that may be adopted by our Manager or sponsor, no Fundrise Platform investment opportunity (including us) will have any duty, responsibility or obligation to refrain from:

• engaging in the same or similar activities or lines of business as any other Fundrise Platform investment opportunity;

• doing business with any potential or actual tenant, lender, purchaser, supplier, customer or competitor of any Fundrise Platform investment opportunity;

• engaging in, or refraining from, any other activities whatsoever relating to any of the potential or actual tenants, lenders, purchasers, suppliers or customers of any Fundrise Platform investment opportunity;

• establishing material commercial relationships with another Fundrise Platform investment opportunity; or

• making operational and financial decisions that could be considered to be detrimental to another Fundrise Platform investment opportunity.

In addition, any decisions by our sponsor or Manager to renew, extend, modify or terminate an agreement or arrangement, or enter into similar agreements or arrangements in the future, may benefit one Fundrise Platform investment opportunity more than another or limit or impair the ability of any Fundrise Platform investment opportunity to pursue business opportunities. In addition, third parties may require as a condition to their arrangements or agreements with or related to any one particular Fundrise Platform investment opportunity that such arrangements or agreements include or not include another Fundrise Platform investment opportunity, as the case may be. Any of these decisions may benefit one Fundrise Platform investment opportunity more than another.
The conflicts of interest policies we have adopted may not adequately address all of the conflicts of interest that may arise with respect to our activities and are subject to change or suspension.

In order to avoid any actual or perceived conflicts of interest among the Fundrise Platform investment opportunities and with our Manager’s directors, officers and affiliates, we have adopted a conflicts of interest policy to specifically address some of the conflicts relating to our activities. There is no assurance that these policies will be adequate to address all of the conflicts that may arise or will address such conflicts in a manner that is favorable to our Company. Our Manager may modify, suspend or rescind the policies set forth in the conflicts policy, including any resolution implementing the provisions of the conflicts policy, in each case, without a vote of our shareholders.

Certain provisions of our operating agreement and Delaware law could hinder, delay or prevent a change of control of our Company.

Certain provisions of our operating agreement and Delaware law could have the effect of discouraging, delaying or preventing transactions that involve an actual or threatened change of control of our Company. These provisions include the following:

- **Authorization of additional shares, issuances of authorized shares and classification of shares without shareholder approval.**
  Our operating agreement authorizes us to issue additional shares or other securities of our Company for the consideration and on the terms and conditions established by our Manager without the approval of our shareholders. In particular, our Manager is authorized to provide for the issuance of an unlimited amount of one or more classes or series of our shares, including preferred shares, and to fix the number of shares, the relative powers, preferences and rights, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions applicable to each class or series thereof by resolution authorizing the issuance of such class or series. Our ability to issue additional shares and other securities could render more difficult or discourage an attempt to obtain control over our Company by means of a tender offer, merger or otherwise.

- **Delaware Business Combination Statute—Section 203.** Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (“DGCL”), which restricts certain business combinations with interested shareholders in certain situations, does not apply to limited liability companies unless they elect to utilize it. Our operating agreement does not currently elect to have Section 203 of the DGCL apply to us. In general, this statute prohibits a publicly held Delaware corporation from engaging in a business combination with an interested shareholder for a period of three years after the date of the transaction by which that person became an interested shareholder, unless the business combination is approved in a prescribed manner. For purposes of Section 203, a business combination includes a merger, asset sale or other transaction resulting in a financial benefit to the interested shareholder, and an interested shareholder is a person who, together with affiliates and associates, owns, or within three years prior did own, 15% or more of voting shares. Our Manager may elect to amend our operating agreement at any time to have Section 203 apply to us.

- **Ownership limitations.** To assist us in qualifying as a REIT, our operating agreement, subject to certain exceptions, provides that generally no person may own, or be deemed to own by virtue of the attribution provisions of the Code, either more than 9.8% in value or in number of our common shares, whichever is more restrictive, or more than 9.8% in value or in number of our shares, whichever is more restrictive. Accordingly, no person may own, or be deemed to own, more than 9.8% in value or in number of our shares, whichever is more restrictive. The ownership limits could have the effect of discouraging a takeover or other transaction in which shareholders might receive a premium for their shares over the then prevailing market price or which holders might believe to be otherwise in their best interests. Furthermore, we will reject any investor’s subscription in whole or in part if we determine that such subscription would violate such ownership limits.

- **Exclusive authority of our Manager to amend our operating agreement.** Our operating agreement provides that our Manager has the exclusive power to adopt, alter or repeal any provision of the operating agreement, unless such amendment would adversely change the rights of the common shares. Thus, our shareholders generally may not effect changes to our operating agreement.
**You are limited in your ability to sell your common shares pursuant to our redemption plan. You may not be able to sell any of your common shares back to us, and if you do sell your shares, you may not receive the price you paid upon subscription.**

Our redemption plan may provide you with an opportunity to have your common shares redeemed by us. We anticipate that our common shares may be redeemed by us on an ongoing basis, following a minimum sixty (60) day waiting period after the redemption request has been submitted. However, our redemption plan contains certain restrictions and limitations, including those relating to the number of our common shares that we can redeem at any given time and limiting the redemption price. Specifically, we intend to limit the number of shares to be redeemed during any calendar year to no more than 5.0% of our common shares outstanding (or 1.25% per calendar quarter, with excess capacity carried over to later calendar quarters in that calendar year). However, as we intend to make a number of commercial real estate investments of varying terms and maturities, our Manager may elect to increase or decrease the amount of common shares available for redemption in any given month or quarter, as these commercial real estate assets are paid off or sold, so long as, in the aggregate, we do not redeem more than 5.00% in any calendar year.

In addition, pursuant to our redemption plan, a shareholder may only (a) have one outstanding redemption request at any given time and (b) request that we redeem up to the lesser of 5,000 shares or $50,000 per each redemption request.

Finally, our Manager reserves the right to reject any redemption request for any reason or no reason or to amend or terminate the redemption plan without prior notice. Therefore, you may not have the opportunity to make a redemption request prior to a potential termination of the redemption plan and you may not be able to sell any of your common shares back to us pursuant to the redemption plan. Moreover, if you do sell your common shares back to us pursuant to the redemption plan, you will not receive the same price you paid for the common shares being redeemed other than during your Introductory Period. See “Description of Our Common Shares — Redemption Plan.”

The offering price of our shares was not established on an independent basis; the actual value of your investment may be substantially less than what you pay. Until September 30, 2020, we expect to use the price paid to acquire a share in our offering as the estimated value of our shares. Thereafter, when determining the estimated value of our shares, the value of our shares will be based upon a number of assumptions that may not be accurate or complete.

Our Manager established the offering price of our shares on an arbitrary basis. The selling price of our shares bears no relationship to our book or asset values or to any other established criteria for valuing shares. Because the offering price is not based upon any independent valuation, the offering price may not be indicative of the proceeds that you would receive upon liquidation. Further, the offering price may be significantly more than the price at which the shares would trade if they were to be listed on an exchange or actively traded by broker-dealers.

After September 30, 2020, the per share purchase price for this offering will be adjusted at the end of each semi-annual period, or such other period as determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually. Our Manager has initially determined to adjust the per share purchase price for our common shares semi-annually as of April 1st and October 1st of each year (or as soon as commercially reasonable and announced by us thereafter) to be no less than our NAV divided by the number of our common shares outstanding as of the end of the prior semi-annual period (NAV per share). Our Manager will adjust our per share purchase price as of the date the new NAV is announced, not the date of such NAV, and investors will pay the most recent publicly announced purchase price as of the date of their subscription. Estimates of our NAV per share are based on available information and judgment. Therefore, actual values and results could differ from our estimates and that difference could be significant. This approach to valuing our shares may bear little relationship and will likely exceed what you might receive for your shares if you tried to sell them or if we liquidated our portfolio. In addition, the price you pay for your shares in this offering may be more or less than shareholders who acquire their shares in the future.
Your interest in us will be diluted if we issue additional shares, which could reduce the overall value of your investment.

Potential investors in this offering do not have preemptive rights to any shares we issue in the future. Under our operating agreement, we have authority to issue an unlimited number of additional common shares or other securities, although, under Regulation A, we are only allowed to sell up to $50 million of our shares in any 12 month period (although we may raise capital in other ways). In particular, our Manager is authorized, subject to the restrictions of Regulation A and other applicable securities laws, to provide for the issuance of an unlimited amount of one or more classes or series of shares in our Company, including preferred shares, and to fix the number of shares, the relative powers, preferences and rights, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions applicable to each class or series thereof by resolution authorizing the issuance of such class or series, without shareholder approval. After your purchase in this offering, our Manager may elect to (i) sell additional shares in this or future public offerings, (ii) issue equity interests in private offerings, or (iii) issue shares to our Manager, or its successors or assigns, in payment of an outstanding fee obligation. To the extent we issue additional equity interests after your purchase in this offering, your percentage ownership interest in us will be diluted. In addition, depending upon the terms and pricing of any additional offerings and the value of our investments, you may also experience dilution in the book value and fair value of your shares.

By purchasing shares in this offering, you are bound by the arbitration provisions contained in our subscription agreement and our operating agreement which limit your ability to bring class action lawsuits or seek remedy on a class basis, including with respect to securities law claims.

By purchasing shares in this offering, investors agree to be bound by the arbitration provisions contained in our subscription agreement and our operating agreement (each an “Arbitration Provision” and collectively, the “Arbitration Provisions”). Such Arbitration Provisions apply to claims under the U.S. federal securities laws and to all claims that are related to the Company, including with respect to this offering, our holdings, our common shares, our ongoing operations and the management of our investments, among other matters and limit the ability of investors to bring class action lawsuits or similarly seek remedy on a class basis. Furthermore, because the Arbitration Provision is contained in our operating agreement, such Arbitration Provision will also apply to any purchasers of shares in a secondary transaction.

By agreeing to be subject to the Arbitration Provisions, you are severely limiting your rights to seek redress against us in court. For example, you may not be able to pursue litigation for any claim in state or federal courts against us, our Manager, our sponsor, or their respective directors or officers, including with respect to securities law claims, and any awards or remedies determined by the arbitrators may not be appealed. In addition, arbitration rules generally limit discovery, which could impede your ability to bring or sustain claims, and the ability to collect attorneys’ fees or other damages may be limited in the arbitration, which may discourage attorneys from agreeing to represent parties wishing to commence such a proceeding.

Specifically, the Arbitration Provisions provide that either party may, at its sole election, require that the sole and exclusive forum and remedy for resolution of a claim be final and binding arbitration. We have not determined whether we will exercise our right to demand arbitration but reserve the right to make that determination on a case by case basis as claims arise. In this regard, the Arbitration Provision is similar to a binding arbitration provision as we are likely to invoke the Arbitration Provision to the fullest extent permissible.

Any arbitration brought pursuant to the Arbitration Provisions must be conducted in the State of Virginia, in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. The term “Claim” as used in the Arbitration Provisions is very broad and includes any past, present, or future claim, dispute, or controversy involving you (or persons claiming through or connected with you), on the one hand, and us (or persons claiming through or connected with us), on the other hand, relating to or arising out of your subscription agreement, the Fundrise Platform, and/or the activities or relationships that involve, lead to, or result from any of the foregoing, including (except an individual Claim that you may bring in Small Claims Court or an equivalent court, if any, so long as the Claim is pending only in that court) the validity or enforceability of the Arbitration Provisions, any part thereof, or the entire subscription agreement. Claims are subject to arbitration regardless of whether they arise from contract; tort (intentional or otherwise); a constitution, statute, common law, or principles of equity; or otherwise. Claims include (without limitation) matters arising as initial claims, counter-claims, cross-claims, third-party claims, or otherwise. The scope of the Arbitration Provisions is to be given the broadest possible interpretation that will permit it to be enforceable. Based on discussions with and research performed by the Company’s counsel, we believe that the Arbitration Provisions are enforceable under federal law, the laws of the State of Delaware, the laws of Washington, D.C., or under any other applicable laws or regulations. However, the issue of enforceability is not free from doubt and to the extent that one or more of the provisions in our subscription agreement or our operating agreement with respect to the Arbitration Provisions or otherwise requiring you to waive certain rights were to be found by a court to be unenforceable, we would abide by such decision.
Further, potential investors should consider that each of our subscription agreement and our operating agreement restricts the ability of our shareholders to bring class action lawsuits or to similarly seek remedy on a class basis, unless otherwise consented to by us. These restrictions on the ability to bring a class action lawsuit are likely to result in increased costs, both in terms of time and money, to individual investors who wish to pursue claims against us.

BY AGREEING TO BE SUBJECT TO THE ARBITRATION PROVISIONS, INVESTORS WILL NOT BE DEEMED TO WAIVE THE COMPANY’S COMPLIANCE WITH THE FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATED THEREUNDER.

By purchasing shares in this offering, you are bound by the provisions contained in our subscription agreement and our operating agreement that require you to waive your rights to request to review and obtain information relating to the Company, including, but not limited to, names and contact information of our shareholders.

By purchasing shares in this offering, investors agree to be bound by the provisions contained in our subscription agreement and our operating agreement (each a “Waiver Provision” and collectively, the “Waiver Provisions”). Such Waiver Provisions limit the ability of our shareholders to make a request to review and obtain information relating to and maintained by the Company and Fundrise, including, but not limited to, names and contact information of our shareholders, information listed in Section 18-305 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act, as amended, and any other information deemed to be confidential by the Manager in its sole discretion. Furthermore, because the Waiver Provision is contained in our operating agreement, such Waiver Provision will also apply to any purchasers of shares in a secondary transaction.

Through the Company’s required public filing disclosures, periodic reports and obligation to provide annual reports and tax information to its shareholders, much of the information listed in Section 18-305 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act will be available to shareholders notwithstanding the Waiver Provisions. While the intent of such Waiver Provisions is to protect your personally identifiable information from being disclosed pursuant to Section 18-305, by agreeing to be subject to the Waiver Provisions, you are severely limiting your right to seek access to the personally identifiable information of other shareholders, such as names, addresses and other information about shareholders and the Company that the Manager deems to be confidential. As a result, the Waiver Provision could impede your ability to communicate with other shareholders, and such provisions, on their own, or together with the effect of the Arbitration Provisions, may impede your ability to bring or sustain claims against the Company, including under applicable securities laws.

Based on discussions with and research performed by the Company’s counsel, we believe that the Waiver Provisions are enforceable under federal law, the laws of the State of Delaware, the laws of Washington, D.C., or under any other applicable laws or regulations. However, the issue of enforceability is not free from doubt and to the extent that one or more of the provisions in our subscription agreement or our operating agreement with respect to the Waiver Provisions were to be found by a court to be unenforceable, we would abide by such decision.

BY AGREEING TO BE SUBJECT TO THE WAIVER PROVISIONS, INVESTORS WILL NOT BE DEEMED TO WAIVE THE COMPANY’S COMPLIANCE WITH THE FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATED THEREUNDER.

Risks Related to Our Status as a REIT

Failure to qualify as a REIT would cause us to be taxed as a regular corporation, which would substantially reduce funds available for distributions to our shareholders.

We believe that our organization, prior and proposed ownership and method of operation will enable us to meet the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT. However, we cannot assure you that we will qualify as such. This is because qualification as a REIT involves the application of highly technical and complex provisions of the Code as to which there are only limited judicial and administrative interpretations and involves the determination of facts and circumstances not entirely within our control. Future legislation, new regulations, administrative interpretations or court decisions may significantly change the tax laws or the application of the tax laws with respect to qualification as a REIT or the U.S. federal income tax consequences of such qualification.
If we fail to qualify as a REIT in any taxable year, we will face serious tax consequences that will substantially reduce the funds available for distributions to our shareholders because:

- we would not be allowed a deduction for dividends paid to shareholders in computing our taxable income and would be subject to U.S. federal income tax at regular corporate rates; and

- unless we are entitled to relief under certain U.S. federal income tax laws, we could not re-elect REIT status until the fifth calendar year after the year in which we failed to qualify as a REIT.

In addition, if we fail to qualify as a REIT, we will no longer be required to make distributions. As a result of all these factors, our failure to qualify as a REIT could impair our ability to expand our business and raise capital, and it would adversely affect the value of our common shares. See “U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations” for a discussion of certain U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to us and our common shares.

Even if we qualify as a REIT, we may owe other taxes that will reduce our cash flows.

Even if we qualify for taxation as a REIT, we may be subject to certain U.S. federal, state and local taxes on our income and assets, on taxable income that we do not distribute to our shareholders, on net income from certain “prohibited transactions,” and on income from some activities conducted as a result of a foreclosure, and state or local income, property and transfer taxes. For example, to the extent we satisfy the 90% distribution requirement but distribute less than 100% of our REIT taxable income, we will be subject to U.S. federal corporate income tax on our undistributed taxable income and gain. We also will be subject to a 4% nondeductible excise tax if the actual amount that we distribute to our shareholders in a calendar year is less than a minimum amount specified under the Code. As another example, we are subject to a 100% “prohibited transaction” tax on any gain from a sale of property that is characterized as held for sale, rather than investment, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, unless we comply with a statutory safe harbor or earn the gain through a taxable REIT subsidiary (“TRS”). Further, any TRS that we establish will be subject to regular corporate U.S. federal, state and local taxes. Any of these taxes would decrease cash available for distribution to shareholders.

REIT distribution requirements could adversely affect our liquidity and may force us to borrow funds during unfavorable market conditions.

In order to maintain our REIT status and to meet the REIT distribution requirements, we may need to borrow funds on a short-term basis or sell assets, even if the then-prevailing market conditions are not favorable for these borrowings or sales. In addition, we may need to reserve cash (including proceeds from this offering) to satisfy our REIT distribution requirements, even though there are attractive investment opportunities that may be available. To qualify as a REIT, we generally must distribute to our shareholders at least 90% of our net taxable income each year, excluding capital gains. In addition, we will be subject to corporate income tax to the extent we distribute less than 100% of our taxable income including any net capital gain. We intend to make distributions to our shareholders to comply with the requirements of the Code for REITs and to minimize or eliminate our corporate income tax obligation to the extent consistent with our business objectives. Our cash flows from operations may be insufficient to fund required distributions, for example as a result of differences in timing between the actual receipt of income and the recognition of income for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the effect of non-deductible capital expenditures, limitations on interest expense and net operating loss deductibility, the creation of reserves or required debt service or amortization payments. To the extent we invest in debt instruments, we generally will be required to accrue income from mortgage loans, mortgage backed securities, and other types of debt instruments currently over the term of the asset, even if we do not receive the cash payments corresponding to such income until later periods. Thus, all or a part of the anticipated increase in yield on the loans we hold that are attributable to deferred interest, exit fees and/or equity participation features generally must be accrued currently notwithstanding that the corresponding cash payment is deferred or uncertain. The insufficiency of our cash flows to cover our distribution requirements could have an adverse impact on our ability to raise short- and long-term debt or sell equity securities in order to fund distributions required to maintain our REIT status. In addition, we will be subject to a 4% nondeductible excise tax on the amount, if any, by which distributions paid by us in any calendar year are less than the sum of 85% of our ordinary income, 95% of our capital gain net income and 100% of our undistributed income from prior years. To address and/or mitigate some of these issues, we may make taxable distributions that are in part paid in cash and in part paid in our common shares. In such cases our shareholders may have tax liabilities from such distributions in excess of the cash they receive. The treatment of such taxable share distributions is not clear, and it is possible the taxable share distribution will not count towards our distribution requirement, in which case adverse consequences could apply.
If we fail to invest a sufficient amount of the net proceeds from selling our common shares in real estate assets within one year from the receipt of the proceeds, we could fail to qualify as a REIT.

Temporary investment of the net proceeds from sales of our common shares in short-term securities and income from such investment generally will allow us to satisfy various REIT income and asset requirements, but only during the one-year period beginning on the date we receive the net proceeds. If we are unable to invest a sufficient amount of the net proceeds from sales of our common shares in qualifying real estate assets within such one-year period, we could fail to satisfy one or more of the gross income or asset tests and/or we could be limited to investing all or a portion of any remaining funds in cash or cash equivalents. If we fail to satisfy such income or asset test, unless we are entitled to relief under certain provisions of the Code, we could fail to qualify as a REIT. See “U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations.”

If we form a TRS, our overall tax liability could increase.

Any TRS we form will be subject to U.S. federal, state and local income tax on its taxable income. Accordingly, although our ownership of any TRSs may allow us to participate in the operating income from certain activities that we could not participate in without violating the REIT income tests requirements of the Code or incurring the 100% tax on gains from prohibited transactions, the TRS through which we earn such operating income or gain will be fully subject to corporate income tax. The after-tax net income of any TRS would be available for distribution to us; however, any dividends received by us from our domestic TRSs will only be qualifying income for the 95% gross income test, not the 75% gross income test.

Although our use of TRSs may partially mitigate the impact of meeting certain requirements necessary to maintain our qualification as a REIT, there are limits on our ability to own and engage in transactions with TRSs, and a failure to comply with the limits would jeopardize our REIT qualification and may result in the application of a 100% excise tax.

A REIT may own up to 100% of the stock or securities of one or more TRSs. A TRS may hold assets and earn income that would not be qualifying assets or income if held or earned directly by a REIT. A TRS also may sell assets without incurring the 100% tax on prohibited transactions. Both the subsidiary and the REIT must jointly elect to treat the subsidiary as a TRS. A corporation of which a TRS directly or indirectly owns more than 35% of the voting power or value of the stock will automatically be treated as a TRS. Overall, no more than 20% of the value of a REIT’s assets may consist of stock or securities of one or more TRSs. The rules impose a 100% excise tax on certain transactions between a TRS and its parent REIT that are not conducted on an arm’s-length basis. We may jointly elect with one or more subsidiary ories for those subsidiaries to be treated as TRSs for U.S. federal income tax purposes. These TRSs will pay U.S. federal, state and local income tax on their taxable income, and their after-tax net income will be available for distribution to us but is not required to be distributed to us. We will monitor the value of our respective investments in any TRSs we may form for the purpose of ensuring compliance with TRS ownership limitations and intend to structure our transactions with any such TRSs on terms that we believe are arm’s-length to avoid incurring the 100% excise tax described above. There can be no assurance, however, that we will be able to comply with the 20% TRS limitation or to avoid application of the 100% excise tax.
Dividends payable by REITs generally do not qualify for reduced tax rates under current law.

The maximum U.S. federal income tax rate for certain qualified dividends payable to U.S. shareholders that are individuals, trusts and estates generally is 20%. Dividends payable by REITs, however, are generally not eligible for the reduced rates and therefore may be subject to a 37% maximum U.S. federal income tax rate on ordinary income when paid to such shareholders. The more favorable rates applicable to regular corporate dividends under current law could cause investors who are individuals, trusts and estates or are otherwise sensitive to these lower rates to perceive investments in REITs to be relatively less attractive than investments in the stocks of non-REIT corporations that pay dividends, which could adversely affect the value of the stock of REITs, including our common shares. However, for taxable years beginning before January 1, 2026, non-corporate taxpayers may deduct 20% of “qualified REIT dividends.” Qualified REIT dividends eligible for this deduction generally will include our dividends received by a non-corporate U.S. shareholder that we do not designate as capital gain dividends and that are not qualified dividend income.

Complying with REIT requirements may cause us to forego otherwise attractive opportunities or to liquidate otherwise attractive investments.

To qualify as a REIT, we must continually satisfy tests concerning, among other things, the sources of our income, the nature and diversification of our assets, the amounts we distribute to our shareholders and the ownership of our shares. We may be required to make distributions to our shareholders at disadvantageous times or when we do not have funds readily available for distribution. Thus, compliance with the REIT requirements may, for instance, hinder our ability to make certain otherwise attractive investments or undertake other activities that might otherwise be beneficial to us and our shareholders, or may require us to borrow or liquidate investments in unfavorable market conditions and, therefore, may hinder our investment performance. As a REIT, at the end of each calendar quarter, at least 75% of the value of our assets must consist of cash, cash items, U.S. Government securities and qualified “real estate assets.” The remainder of our investments in securities (other than cash, cash items, U.S. Government securities, securities issued by a TRS and qualified real estate assets) generally cannot include more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of any one issuer or more than 10% of the total value of the outstanding securities of any one issuer. In addition, in general, no more than 5% of the value of our total assets (other than cash, cash items, U.S. Government securities, securities issued by a TRS and qualified real estate assets) can consist of the securities of any one issuer, no more than 20% of the value of the securities of any one issuer, no more than 50% in value of our outstanding shares may be owned, directly or indirectly, by five or fewer individuals, as defined in the Code to include certain kinds of entities, during the last half of any taxable year, other than the first year for which a REIT election is made. To assist us in qualifying as a REIT, our operating agreement contains an aggregate share ownership limit and a common shares ownership limit. Generally, any of our shares owned by affiliated owners will be added together for purposes of the aggregate share ownership limit, and any common shares owned by affiliated owners will be added together for purposes of the common shares ownership limit.

You may be restricted from acquiring, transferring or redeeming certain amounts of our common shares.

In order to maintain our REIT qualification, among other requirements, no more than 50% in value of our outstanding shares may be owned, directly or indirectly, by five or fewer individuals, as defined in the Code to include certain kinds of entities, during the last half of any taxable year, other than the first year for which a REIT election is made. To assist us in qualifying as a REIT, our operating agreement contains an aggregate share ownership limit and a common shares ownership limit. Generally, any of our shares owned by affiliated owners will be added together for purposes of the aggregate share ownership limit, and any common shares owned by affiliated owners will be added together for purposes of the common shares ownership limit.

If anyone attempts to transfer or own shares in a way that would violate the aggregate share ownership limit or the common shares ownership limit (or would prevent us from continuing to qualify as a REIT), unless such ownership limits have been waived by our Manager, those shares instead will be deemed transferred to a trust for the benefit of a charitable beneficiary and will be either redeemed by us or sold to a person whose ownership of the shares will not violate the aggregate share ownership limit or the common shares ownership limit and will not prevent us from qualifying as a REIT. If this transfer to a trust fails to prevent such a violation or our disqualification as a REIT, then the initial intended transfer or ownership will be null and void from the outset. Anyone who acquires or owns shares in violation of the aggregate share ownership limit or the common shares ownership limit, unless such ownership limit or limits have been waived by our Manager, or the other restrictions on transfer or ownership in our operating agreement, bears the risk of a financial loss when the shares are redeemed or sold, if the NAV of our shares falls between the date of purchase and the date of redemption or sale.
Our limits on ownership of our shares also may require us to decline redemption requests that would cause other shareholders to exceed such ownership limits. In addition, in order to comply with certain of the distribution requirements applicable to REITs we will decline to honor any redemption request that we believe is a “dividend equivalent” redemption as discussed in “U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations—Taxation of Taxable U.S. Shareholders—Redemptions of Common Shares.”

The failure of a mezzanine loan to qualify as a real estate asset could adversely affect our ability to qualify as a REIT.

We may acquire mezzanine loans, for which the Internal Revenue Service (the “IRS”) has provided a safe harbor but not rules of substantive law. Pursuant to the safe harbor, if a mezzanine loan meets certain requirements, it will be treated by the IRS as a real estate asset for purposes of the REIT asset tests, and interest derived from the mezzanine loan will be treated as qualifying mortgage interest for purposes of the 75% gross income test. To the extent that any of our mezzanine loans do not meet all of the requirements for reliance on the safe harbor, such loans may not be real estate assets and could adversely affect our REIT status.

We intend to make certain other investments through subsidiaries (with rights to receive preferred economic returns) and may invest in “kickers” with respect to certain investments that we determine to hold outside of a TRS. The character of such investments for REIT purposes may depend on the assets and operations of the issuer, which we generally will not control. Thus, no assurance can be given that any such issuer will not operate in a manner that causes us to fail an income or asset test requirement. In addition, the proper treatment of certain investments, including investments through subsidiaries (with rights to receive preferred economic returns) and “kickers,” for U.S. federal income tax purposes is unclear. If the IRS were to successfully challenge our characterization of an investment, it could adversely affect our REIT status.

Complying with REIT requirements may limit our ability to hedge effectively and may cause us to incur tax liabilities.

The REIT provisions of the Code substantially limit our ability to hedge our liabilities. Generally, income from a hedging transaction we enter into to manage risk of interest rate changes with respect to borrowings made or to be made to acquire or carry real estate assets or to offset certain other positions does not constitute “gross income” for purposes of the 75% or 95% gross income tests, provided certain circumstances are satisfied. To the extent that we enter into other types of hedging transactions, the income from those transactions is likely to be treated as non-qualifying income for purposes of both of the gross income tests. As a result of these rules, we may need to limit our use of advantageous hedging techniques or implement those hedges through a TRS. This could increase the cost of our hedging activities because our TRS would be subject to tax on income or gains resulting from hedges entered into by it or expose us to greater risks associated with changes in interest rates than we would otherwise want to bear. In addition, losses in our TRSs will generally not provide any tax benefit, except for being carried forward for use against future taxable income in the TRSs.

Our qualification as a REIT and avoidance of 100% tax may depend on the characterization of loans that we make as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

For U.S. federal income tax purposes, the IRS or a court may treat a loan with sufficient equity characteristics as equity for tax purposes. We may obtain equity participation rights with respect to our loans, and we may make loans with relatively high loan-to-value ratios and/or high yields, which are among the features that can cause a loan to be treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Although we intend to structure each of our loans so that the loan should be respected as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes, it is possible that the IRS or a court could disagree and seek to recharacterize the loan as equity. Recharacterization of one of our loans as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes generally would require us to include our share of the gross assets and gross income of the borrower in our REIT asset and income tests. Inclusion of such items could jeopardize our REIT status. Moreover, to the extent our borrowers hold their assets as dealer property or inventory, if we are treated as holding equity in a borrower for U.S. federal income tax purposes, our share of gains from sales by the borrower would be subject to the 100% tax on prohibited transactions (except to the extent earned through a TRS).
The failure of a loan to qualify as an obligation secured by a mortgage on real property within the meaning of the REIT rules could adversely affect our ability to qualify as a REIT.

We may make investments in loans whose qualification as a real estate mortgage loan for REIT purposes is uncertain or which are treated in part as qualifying mortgage loans and in part as unsecured loans. The failure of a loan that we treated as a qualifying mortgage loan to qualify as such for REIT purposes could cause us to fail one or more of the REIT income or asset tests, and thereby cause us to fail to qualify as a REIT unless certain relief provisions also apply.

In general, interest income accrued on a loan that is secured by real property and personal property during a taxable year constitutes a wholly qualifying real estate asset and all interest shall be qualifying income for purposes of the 75% gross income test if the loan is secured by a mortgage on real property with a value (at the time we committed to acquire the loan) at least equal to the highest outstanding principal amount of the loan during such taxable year. In the case of loans to improve or develop real property, the value of the real property collateral when we commit to acquire a loan is deemed to include the reasonably estimated cost of the improvements or developments (other than personal property) which will secure the loan and which will be constructed from the proceeds of the loan. Subject to an exemption discussed in “U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations – Gross Income Tests – Interest Income,” if the outstanding principal balance of a mortgage loan during the taxable year exceeds the deemed value of the real property securing the loan at the time we committed to acquire the loan, a portion of the interest accrued during the year will not be qualifying mortgage interest for the 75% gross income test and a portion of such loan likely will not be a qualifying real estate asset. In that case, we could earn income that is not qualifying for the 75% gross income test and be treated as holding a non-real estate investment in whole or part, which could result in our failure to qualify as a REIT.

The “taxable mortgage pool” rules may increase the taxes that we or our shareholders may incur, and may limit the manner in which we effect future securitizations.

Any borrowings incurred by us could result in the creation of taxable mortgage pools for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Except as provided below, we generally would not be adversely affected by the characterization as a taxable mortgage pool so long as we own 100% of the equity interests in a taxable mortgage pool. Certain categories of shareholders, however, such as non-U.S. shareholders eligible for treaty or other benefits, shareholders with net operating losses, and certain U.S. tax-exempt shareholders that are subject to unrelated business income tax, could be subject to increased taxes on a portion of their dividend income from us that is attributable to the taxable mortgage pool. In addition, to the extent that our shares are owned by tax-exempt “disqualified organizations,” such as certain government-related entities and charitable remainder trusts that are not subject to tax on unrelated business income, we may incur a corporate level tax on a portion of our income from the taxable mortgage pool. In that case, we may reduce the amount of our distributions to any disqualified organization whose share ownership gave rise to the tax. Moreover, we would be precluded from selling equity interests in these securitizations to outside investors, or selling any debt securities issued in connection with these securitizations that might be considered to be equity interests for U.S. federal income tax purposes. These limitations may prevent us from using certain techniques to maximize our returns from securitization transactions.

The ability of our Manager to revoke our REIT qualification without shareholder approval may cause adverse consequences to our shareholders.

Our operating agreement provides that our Manager may revoke or otherwise terminate our REIT election, without the approval of our shareholders, if it determines that it is no longer in our best interest to qualify as a REIT. If we cease to be a REIT, we will not be allowed a deduction for dividends paid to shareholders in computing our taxable income and will be subject to U.S. federal income tax at regular corporate rates, as well as state and local taxes, which may have adverse consequences on our total return to our shareholders.
We may be subject to a 100% penalty tax on any prohibited transactions that we enter into, or may be required to forego certain otherwise beneficial opportunities in order to avoid the penalty tax on prohibited transactions.

If we are found to have held, acquired or developed property primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of business, we may be subject to a 100% “prohibited transactions” tax under U.S. federal tax laws on the gain from disposition of the property unless (i) the disposition qualifies for a safe harbor exception for properties that have been held by us for at least two years (generally for the production of rental income) and that satisfy certain additional requirements or (ii) the disposition is made through a TRS and, therefore, is subject to corporate U.S. federal income tax.

Under existing law, whether property is held primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of a trade or business is a question of fact that depends on all the facts and circumstances. Our opportunistic business strategy may include investments that risk being characterized as investments in properties held primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of a trade or business. We intend to comply with the statutory safe harbor when selling properties (or when our joint ventures sell properties) outside of our TRSs that we believe might reasonably be characterized as held for sale, but compliance with the safe harbor may not always be practical. Moreover, because the determination of whether property is held primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of a trade or business is a question of fact that depends on all the facts and circumstances, the IRS might disagree with our characterization of sales outside the safe harbor. Thus, we may be subject to the 100% penalty tax on the gain from dispositions of property.

Additionally, we could be subject to this tax if we were to dispose of or securitize loans (or portions thereof) in a manner that was treated as a sale of the loans for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Therefore, in order to avoid the prohibited transactions tax, we may choose not to engage in certain sales of loans at the REIT level (and may conduct such sales through a TRS), and may limit the structures we utilize for any securitization transactions, even though the sales or structures might otherwise be beneficial to us.

The potential application of the prohibited transactions tax could cause us to forego potential dispositions of other property or to forego other opportunities that might otherwise be attractive to us, or to hold investments or undertake such dispositions or other opportunities through a TRS, which would generally result in corporate income taxes being incurred.

**Legislative or regulatory action related to federal income tax laws could adversely affect our shareholders and/or our business.**

On December 22, 2017, H.R. 1, known as the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (“TCJA”) was enacted. The TCJA makes major changes to the Code, including a number of provisions of the Code that affect the taxation of REITs and their shareholders. The long-term effect of some of the significant changes made by the TCJA remains uncertain, and administrative guidance will be required in order to fully evaluate the effect of many provisions. The effect of any technical corrections with respect to the TCJA could have an adverse effect on us or our shareholders. Investors should consult their tax advisors regarding the implications of the TCJA on their investment in our common shares.

In addition, in recent years, numerous legislative, judicial and administrative changes have been made to the federal income tax laws applicable to investments in REITs and similar entities. Additional changes to tax laws and regulations are likely to continue to occur in the future, and we cannot assure our shareholders that any such changes will not adversely affect the taxation of a shareholder or will not have an adverse effect on an investment in our common shares. Shareholders are urged to consult with their own tax advisors with respect to the potential effect that the TCJA or other legislative, regulatory or administrative developments and proposals could have on their investment in our shares.
A portion of our distributions may be treated as a return of capital for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which could reduce the basis of a shareholder’s investment in our common shares and may trigger taxable gain.

A portion of our distributions may be treated as a return of capital for U.S. federal income tax purposes. As a general matter, a portion of our distributions will be treated as a return of capital for U.S. federal income tax purposes if the aggregate amount of our distributions for a year exceeds our current and accumulated earnings and profits for that year. To the extent that a distribution is treated as a return of capital for U.S. federal income tax purposes, it will reduce a holder’s adjusted tax basis in the holder’s shares, and to the extent that it exceeds the holder’s adjusted tax basis, it will be treated as gain resulting from a sale or exchange of such shares. See “U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations.”

**Our ability to provide certain services to our tenants may be limited by the REIT rules, or may have to be provided through a TRS.**

As a REIT, we generally may provide directly only an insignificant amount of services, unless those services are “usually or customarily rendered” in connection with the rental of real property by properties of a similar class in the geographic region in which the property is located and not otherwise “rendered to the occupant.” We also cannot derive income from an independent contractor that provides such non-customary services. If services to tenants at properties in which we hold an interest are limited to customary services, those properties may be disadvantaged as compared to other properties that can be operated without the same restrictions. However, we can provide such non-customary services to tenants or share in the revenue from such services if we do so through a TRS, though income earned through the TRS will be subject to corporate income taxes.

**Our Manager and its affiliates have limited experience managing a portfolio of assets owned by a REIT.**

REITs are subject to numerous complex requirements in order to maintain their REIT status, including income and asset composition tests. Our Manager and its affiliates have limited experience managing a portfolio in the manner intended to comply with such requirements. To the extent our Manager and its affiliates manage us in a manner that causes us to fail to qualify as a REIT, it could adversely affect the value of our common shares.

**Property taxes could increase due to property tax rate changes or reassessment, which could impact our cash flow.**

Even if we qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, we generally will be required to pay state and local taxes on our properties. The real property taxes on our properties may increase as property tax rates change or as our properties are assessed or reassessed by taxing authorities. If the property taxes we pay increase, our financial condition, results of operations, cash flow, per share trading price of our common shares and our ability to satisfy our principal and interest obligations and to make distributions to our shareholders could be adversely affected.

**We may be subject to adverse tax consequences if certain sale-leaseback transactions are not characterized by the IRS as “true leases.”**

We may purchase investments in real estate properties and lease them back to the sellers of such properties. In the event the IRS does not characterize such leases as “true leases,” we could be subject to certain adverse tax consequences, including an inability to deduct depreciation expense and cost recovery relating to such property, and under certain circumstances, we could fail to qualify as a REIT as a result.

**Risks Related to Employee Benefit Plans and Individual Retirement Accounts**

In some cases, if you fail to meet the fiduciary and other standards under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), the Code or common law as a result of an investment in our common shares, you could be subject to liability for losses as well as civil penalties.

There are special considerations that apply to investing in our common shares on behalf of pension, profit sharing or 401(k) plans, health or welfare plans, individual retirement accounts or Keogh plans. If you are investing the assets of any of the entities identified in the prior sentence in our common shares, you should satisfy yourself that:

- your investment is consistent with your fiduciary obligations under applicable law, including common law, ERISA and the Code;
• your investment is made in accordance with the documents and instruments governing the trust, plan or IRA, including a plan’s investment policy;

• your investment satisfies the prudence and diversification requirements of Sections 404(a)(1)(B) and 404(a)(1)(C) of ERISA, if applicable, and other applicable provisions of ERISA and the Code;

• your investment will not impair the liquidity of the trust, plan or IRA;

• your investment will not produce “unrelated business taxable income” for the plan or IRA;

• you will be able to value the assets of the plan annually in accordance with ERISA requirements and applicable provisions of the applicable trust, plan or IRA document; and

• your investment will not constitute a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

Failure to satisfy the fiduciary standards of conduct and other applicable requirements of ERISA, the Code, or other applicable statutory or common law may result in the imposition of civil penalties, and can subject the fiduciary to liability for any resulting losses as well as equitable remedies. In addition, if an investment in our common shares constitutes a prohibited transaction under the Code, the “disqualified person” that engaged in the transaction may be subject to the imposition of excise taxes with respect to the amount invested.

STATEMENTS REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

We make statements in this offering circular that are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. The words “believe,” “estimate,” “expect,” “anticipate,” “intend,” “plan,” “seek,” “may,” and similar expressions or statements regarding future periods are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other important factors that could cause our actual results, performance or achievements, or industry results, to differ materially from any predictions of future results, performance or achievements that we express or imply in this offering circular or in the information incorporated by reference into this offering circular.

The forward-looking statements included in this offering circular are based upon our current expectations, plans, estimates, assumptions and beliefs that involve numerous risks and uncertainties. Assumptions relating to the foregoing involve judgments with respect to, among other things, future economic, competitive and market conditions and future business decisions, all of which are difficult or impossible to predict accurately and many of which are beyond our control. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are based on reasonable assumptions, our actual results and performance could differ materially from those set forth in the forward-looking statements. Factors which could have a material adverse effect on our operations and future prospects include, but are not limited to:

• our ability to effectively deploy the proceeds raised in this offering;

• our ability to attract and retain members to the Fundrise Platform;

• risks associated with breaches of our data security;

• changes in economic conditions generally and the real estate and securities markets specifically;

• limited ability to dispose of assets because of the relative illiquidity of real estate investments;
• intense competition in the real estate market that may limit our ability to attract or retain tenants or re-lease space;
• defaults on or non-renewal of leases by tenants;
• increased interest rates and operating costs;
• our failure to obtain necessary outside financing;
• decreased rental rates or increased vacancy rates;
• the risk associated with potential breach or expiration of a ground lease, if any;
• difficulties in identifying properties to complete, and consummating, real estate acquisitions, developments, joint ventures and dispositions;
• our failure to successfully operate acquired properties and operations;
• exposure to liability relating to environmental and health and safety matters;
• changes in real estate and zoning laws and increases in real property tax rates;
• our failure to maintain our status as a REIT;
• failure of acquisitions to yield anticipated results;
• risks associated with breaches of our data security;
• risks associated with derivatives or hedging activity;
• our level of debt and the terms and limitations imposed on us by our debt agreements;
• the need to invest additional equity in connection with debt refinancings as a result of reduced asset values;
• our ability to retain our executive officers and other key personnel of our advisor, our property manager and their affiliates;
• expected rates of return provided to investors;
• the ability of our sponsor and its affiliates to source, originate and service our loans and other assets, and the quality and performance of these assets;
• our ability to retain and hire competent employees and appropriately staff our operations;
• legislative or regulatory changes impacting our business or our assets (including changes to the laws governing the taxation of REITs and SEC guidance related to Regulation A or the JOBS Act);
• changes in business conditions and the market value of our assets, including changes in interest rates, prepayment risk, operator or borrower defaults or bankruptcy, and generally the increased risk of loss if our investments fail to perform as expected;
• our ability to implement effective conflicts of interest policies and procedures among the various real estate investment opportunities sponsored by our sponsor;
• our ability to access sources of liquidity when we have the need to fund redemptions of common shares in excess of the proceeds from the sales of our common shares in our continuous offering and the consequential risk that we may not have the resources to satisfy redemption requests;

• our compliance with applicable local, state and federal laws, including the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the “Advisers Act”), the Investment Company Act and other laws; and

• changes to GAAP.

Any of the assumptions underlying forward-looking statements could be inaccurate. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements included in this offering circular. All forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this offering circular and the risk that actual results will differ materially from the expectations expressed in this offering circular will increase with the passage of time. Except as otherwise required by the federal securities laws, we undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements after the date of this offering circular, whether as a result of new information, future events, changed circumstances or any other reason. In light of the significant uncertainties inherent in the forward-looking statements included in this offering circular, including, without limitation, the risks described under “Risk Factors,” the inclusion of such forward-looking statements should not be regarded as a representation by us or any other person that the objectives and plans set forth in this offering circular will be achieved.

ESTIMATED USE OF PROCEEDS

The table below sets forth our estimated use of proceeds from this offering and the private placements described below, assuming we sell in this offering $50 million in shares, the maximum offering amount. Our common shares will be offered at $10.00 per share until September 30, 2020. Thereafter, our price per share will be no less than our NAV as of the end of the prior semi-annual period (or such other period as determined by the Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually). In addition, Fundrise, L.P., an affiliate of our sponsor, has committed to purchase 1,000 common shares from us at $10.00 per share (for net proceeds to us of $10,000) in a private placement on a date no later than ten (10) days after the date on which we begin to accept subscriptions to this offering. Our sponsor previously acquired 500 common shares at a price equal to the initial public offering price in connection with our formation, for net proceeds to us of $5,000.

We expect to use substantially all of the net proceeds from this offering (after paying or reimbursing organization and offering expenses) to invest in and manage a diversified portfolio of assets primarily consisting of investments in commercial real estate and development projects, with such investments consisting of equity interests in such properties or debt, as well as commercial real estate loans, commercial real estate debt securities (including CMBS, CDOs, and REIT senior unsecured debt) and other select real estate-related assets, where the underlying assets primarily consist of such properties. We may make our investments through majority-owned subsidiaries, some of which may have rights to receive preferred economic returns. We expect that any expenses or fees payable to our Manager for its services in connection with managing our daily affairs, including but not limited to, the selection and acquisition or origination of our investments, will be paid from cash flow from operations. If such fees and expenses are not paid from cash flow (or waived) they will reduce the cash available for investment and distribution and will directly impact our NAV. See “Management Compensation” for more details regarding the fees that will be paid to our Manager and its affiliates. Many of the amounts set forth in the table below represent our Manager’s best estimate since they cannot be precisely calculated at this time.

We may not be able to promptly invest the net proceeds of this offering in real estate and real estate related assets. In the interim, we may invest in short-term, highly liquid or other authorized investments, subject to the requirements for qualification as a REIT. Such short-term investments will not earn as high of a return as we expect to earn on our real estate-related investments.
**Gross Offering Proceeds**

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(1) This is a “best efforts” offering.

(2) Investors will not pay upfront selling commissions in connection with the purchase of our common shares. We will reimburse our Manager for organization and offering costs, which are expected to be approximately $350,000. Reimbursement payments will be made in monthly installments, but the aggregate monthly amount reimbursed can never exceed 0.50% of the aggregate gross offering proceeds from this offering; provided, however, our Manager agreed to a limitation that no reimbursement may be made which, as a result of the reimbursement, would cause the net asset value to be less than $10.00 per share. If the sum of the total unreimbursed amount of such organization and offering costs, plus new costs incurred since the last reimbursement payment, exceeds the reimbursement limit described above for the applicable monthly installment, the excess will be eligible for reimbursement in subsequent months (subject to the 0.50% limit), calculated on an accumulated basis, until our Manager has been reimbursed in full. See “Management Compensation” for a description of additional fees and expenses that we will pay our Manager.

(3) Amount reflected is an estimate. Includes all expenses to be paid by us in connection with the formation of our Company and the qualification of the common shares offering in this offering circular, and the marketing and distribution of shares, including, without limitation, expenses for printing, engraving and amending offering statements or supplementing offering circulars, mailing and distributing costs, telephones, internet and other telecommunications costs, all advertising and marketing expenses, charges of experts and fees, expenses and taxes related to the filing, registration and qualification of the sale of shares under federal and state laws, including taxes and fees and accountants’ and attorneys’ fees. See “Plan of Distribution.”

Our sponsor intends to establish a number of eREITs® as real estate investment trusts that will be similar in structure to ours. It is anticipated that the legal fees and other formation and structuring expenses incurred by our sponsor in qualifying this or other offerings may be substantially higher than those of future similar eREITs®. Accordingly, our sponsor has agreed to allocate legal fees incurred in establishing the eREITs® (including Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC) that exceed the estimated legal fees of $312,500 per eREIT®, to other eREITs® sponsored by our sponsor. As a result, we and the other eREITs® will be required to reimburse our sponsor for up to $312,500 in legal fees incurred in preparing such offerings. Our sponsor believes that this allocation of legal fees to future similar eREITs® is the most equitable way to ensure that all of the eREITs® bear the burden of establishing a working framework for similar offerings under the newly revised rules of Regulation A. If our sponsor is not successful in organizing an offering for the other eREITs®, our sponsor will bear the legal costs that exceed the portion allocated to us.

**MANAGEMENT**

Our Manager

We will operate under the direction of our Manager, which is responsible for directing the management of our business and affairs, managing our day-to-day affairs, and implementing our investment strategy. Our Manager will establish an investment committee that will make decisions with respect to all acquisitions and dispositions. See “—Investment Committee of our Manager” below. The Manager and its officers and directors are not required to devote all of their time to our business and are only required to devote such time to our affairs as their duties require.

We will follow investment guidelines adopted by our Manager and the investment and borrowing policies set forth in this offering circular unless they are modified by our Manager. Our Manager may establish further written policies on investments and borrowings and will monitor our administrative procedures, investment operations and performance to ensure that the policies are fulfilled. Our Manager may change our investment objectives at any time without approval of our shareholders.
Our Manager performs its duties and responsibilities pursuant to our operating agreement. Our Manager maintains a contractual, as opposed to a fiduciary relationship, with us and our shareholders. Furthermore, we have agreed to limit the liability of our Manager and to indemnify our Manager against certain liabilities.

**Experience of our Management Team**

As of June 30, 2019, our sponsor facilitated or originated approximately 281 real estate assets through the various Fundrise Platform investment opportunities with aggregate purchase prices of approximately $3.9 billion, excluding 3 World Trade Center (we exclude this asset because while the amount of equity invested in the project was similar to other investments made by our sponsor, the aggregate purchase price of 3 World Trade Center was much greater relative to our sponsor’s other investments, and would greatly inflate the aggregate purchase price of the other assets disclosed). Of the $3.9 billion aggregate real estate purchase prices, our sponsor offered through the Fundrise Platform investment opportunities approximately $856 million, consisting of approximately $302 million of commercial real estate loan assets, $230 million of investments in commercial real estate (primarily through majority-owned subsidiaries with rights to receive preferred economic returns), and $324 million of commercial real estate common equity investments, including direct equity purchases. The portfolios included in the Fundrise Platform investment opportunities are diversified by investment size, security type, property type and geographic region. As a result of the depth and thoroughness of its underwriting process, the extensive investing experience of its management team and its strong performance record in managing a diverse portfolio of assets, we believe our sponsor has earned a reputation as a leading real estate manager, which has allowed it to access funding from a broad base of investors.

**Responsibilities of our Manager**

The responsibilities of our Manager include:

**Investment Advisory, Origination and Acquisition Services**

- approve and oversee our overall investment strategy, which will consist of elements such as investment selection criteria, diversification strategies and asset disposition strategies;
- serve as our investment and financial manager with respect to sourcing, underwriting, acquiring, financing, originating, servicing, investing in and managing a diversified portfolio of commercial real estate assets and other real estate-related assets;
- adopt and periodically review our investment guidelines;
- structure the terms and conditions of our acquisitions, sales and joint ventures;
- enter into leases and service contracts for the properties and other investments;
- approve and oversee our debt financing strategies;
- approve joint ventures, limited partnerships and other such relationships with third parties;
- approve any potential liquidity transaction;
- obtain market research and economic and statistical data in connection with our investments and investment objectives and policies;
- oversee and conduct the due diligence process related to prospective investments;
- prepare reports regarding prospective investments that include recommendations and supporting documentation necessary for our Manager’s investment committee to evaluate the proposed investments; and
- negotiate and execute approved investments and other transactions.

**Offering Services**

- the development of this offering, including the determination of its specific terms;
- preparation and approval of all marketing materials to be used by us relating to this offering;
- the negotiation and coordination of the receipt, collection, processing and acceptance of subscription agreements, commissions, and other administrative support functions;
- creation and implementation of various technology and electronic communications related to this offering; and
- all other services related to this offering.
Asset Management Services

· investigate, select, and, on our behalf, engage and conduct business with such persons as our Manager deems necessary to the proper performance of its obligations under our operating agreement, including but not limited to consultants, accountants, lenders, technical managers, attorneys, corporate fiduciaries, escrow agents, depositaries, custodians, agents for collection, insurers, insurance agents, developers, construction companies, and any and all persons acting in any other capacity deemed by our Manager necessary or desirable for the performance of any of the services under our operating agreement;
· monitor applicable markets and obtain reports (which may be prepared by our Manager or its affiliates) where appropriate, concerning the value of our investments;
· monitor and evaluate the performance of our investments, provide daily management services to us and perform and supervise the various management and operational functions related to our investments;
· formulate and oversee the implementation of strategies for the administration, promotion, management, operation, maintenance, improvement, financing and refinancing, marketing, leasing and disposition of investments on an overall portfolio basis; and
· coordinate and manage relationships between us and any joint venture partners.

Accounting and Other Administrative Services

· manage and perform the various administrative functions necessary for our day-to-day operations;
· provide or arrange for administrative services, legal services, office space, office furnishings, personnel and other overhead items necessary and incidental to our business and operations;
· provide financial and operational planning services and portfolio management functions;
· maintain accounting data and any other information concerning our activities as will be required to prepare and to file all periodic financial reports and returns required to be filed with the SEC and any other regulatory agency, including annual financial statements;
· maintain all appropriate company books and records;
· oversee tax and compliance services and risk management services and coordinate with appropriate third parties, including independent accountants and other consultants, on related tax matters;
· make, change, and revoke such tax elections on behalf of our Company as the Manager deems appropriate, including, without limitation, (i) making an election be treated as a REIT or to revoke such status and (ii) making an election to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes;
· supervise the performance of such ministerial and administrative functions as may be necessary in connection with our daily operations;
· provide us with all necessary cash management services;
· manage and coordinate with the transfer agent, if any, the process of making distributions and payments to shareholders;
· evaluate and obtain adequate insurance coverage based upon risk management determinations;
· provide timely updates related to the overall regulatory environment affecting us, as well as managing compliance with regulatory matters;
· evaluate our corporate governance structure and appropriate policies and procedures related thereto; and
· oversee all reporting, record keeping, internal controls and similar matters in a manner to allow us to comply with applicable law.

Shareholder Services

· determine our distribution policy and authorizing distributions from time to time;
· approve amounts available for redemptions of our common shares;
· manage communications with our shareholders, including answering phone calls, preparing and sending written and electronic reports and other communications; and
· establish technology infrastructure to assist in providing shareholder support and services.
Financing Services

- identify and evaluate potential financing and refinancing sources, engaging a third party broker if necessary;
- negotiate terms of, arrange and execute financing agreements;
- manage relationships between us and our lenders, if any; and
- monitor and oversee the service of our debt facilities and other financings, if any.

Disposition Services

- evaluate and approve potential asset dispositions, sales or liquidity transactions; and
- structure and negotiate the terms and conditions of transactions pursuant to which our assets may be sold.

Allocation of Investment Opportunities

For more information regarding the factors that our Manager’s investment committee may consider in allocating investment opportunities among our additional similar programs (eREITs®), please see “Conflicts of Interest – Our Affiliates’ Interests in Other Fundrise Entities – Allocation of Investment Opportunities.”

Shared Services Agreement

Our Manager will enter into a shared services agreement with Rise Companies Corp., our sponsor, effective upon the commencement of this offering. Pursuant to this agreement, our Manager will be provided with access to, among other things, our sponsor’s portfolio management, asset valuation, risk management and asset management services as well as administration services addressing legal, compliance, investor relations and information technologies necessary for the performance by our Manager of its duties under the operating agreement in exchange for a fee representing our Manager’s allocable cost for these services. The fee paid by our Manager pursuant to the shared services agreement will not constitute a reimbursable expense under our operating agreement. However, under the shared services agreement, our sponsor will be entitled to receive reimbursement of expenses incurred on behalf of us or our Manager that we are required to pay to our Manager under our operating agreement.

Executive Officers of our Manager

As of the date of this offering circular, the executive officers of our Manager and their positions and offices are as follows:

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<td>Bjorn J. Hall</td>
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*Benjamin S. Miller* currently serves as Chief Executive Officer of our Manager and has served as Chief Executive Officer and a Director of our sponsor since its inception on March 14, 2012. As of the date of this offering circular, Ben is also serving as Interim Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of our Manager. Prior to Rise Development, Ben had been a Managing Partner of the real estate company WestMill Capital Partners from October 2010 to June 2012, and before that, was President of Western Development Corporation one of the largest mixed-use real estate companies in the Washington, DC metro area, from April 2006 to October 2010, after joining the company in early 2005 as its Chief Operating Officer. From 2003 until 2005, Mr. Miller was an Associate and part of the founding team of Democracy Alliance, a progressive investment collaborative. In 2001, Mr. Miller co-founded and was a Managing Partner of US Nordic Ventures, a private equity and operating company that works with Scandinavian green building firms to penetrate the U.S. market. Mr. Miller has a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Pennsylvania.
Brandon T. Jenkins currently serves as Chief Operating Officer of our Manager and has served in such capacities with the sponsor since February of 2014, prior to which time he served as Head of Product Development and Director of Real Estate which he continues to do currently. Additionally, Brandon has served as Director of Real Estate for WestMill Capital Partners since March of 2011. Previously, Brandon spent two and a half years as an investment advisor and sales broker at Marcus & Millichap, the largest real estate investment sales brokerage in the country. Prior to his time in brokerage, Brandon also worked for Westfield Corporation, a leading shopping center owner. Brandon earned his Bachelor of Arts in Public Policy and Economics from Duke University.

Bjorn J. Hall currently serves as the General Counsel, Chief Compliance Officer and Secretary of our Manager and has served in such capacities with our sponsor since February 2014. Prior to joining our sponsor in February 2014, Bjorn was a counsel at the law firm of O’Melveny & Myers LLP, where he was a member of the Corporate Finance and Securities Group. Bjorn has a Bachelor of Arts from the University of North Dakota and received a J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center.

Investment Committee of our Manager

The investment committee of our Manager is a standing committee, established to assist our Manager in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities by (1) considering and approving of each investment made by us, (2) establishing our investment guidelines and overseeing our investments, and the investment activity of other accounts and funds held for our benefit and (3) overseeing the investment activities of certain of our subsidiaries. The investment committee will consist of at least three members, including our sponsor’s Chief Executive Officer, our sponsor’s Chief Operating Officer, and a third member chosen unanimously by the other two members of the investment committee, who will serve until such time as such investment committee member resigns or is replaced. The initial investment committee will be comprised of Mr. Benjamin Miller (our sponsor’s Chief Executive Officer), Mr. Brandon Jenkins (our sponsor’s Chief Operating Officer), and Mr. Alex King Davidson (our sponsor’s SVP of Real Estate). In the event that two or more members of the investment committee are interested parties in a transaction, the Independent Representative (defined below) will be required to approve the transaction. See “Conflicts of Interest—Certain Conflict Resolution Measures—Our Policies Relating to Conflicts of Interest.”

Compensation of Executive Officers

We do not currently have any employees nor do we currently intend to hire any employees who will be compensated directly by us. Each of the executive officers of our sponsor also serves as an executive officer of our Manager. Each of these individuals receives compensation for his or her services, including services performed for us on behalf of our Manager, from our sponsor. As executive officers of our Manager, these individuals will serve to manage our day-to-day affairs, oversee the review, selection and recommendation of investment opportunities, service acquired investments and monitor the performance of these investments to ensure that they are consistent with our investment objectives. Although we will indirectly bear some of the costs of the compensation paid to these individuals, through fees we pay to our Manager, we do not intend to pay any compensation directly to these individuals.

Limited Liability and Indemnification of our Manager and Others

Subject to certain limitations, our operating agreement limits the liability of our Manager, its officers and directors, our sponsor and our sponsor’s shareholder and affiliates, for monetary damages and provides that we will indemnify and pay or reimburse reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding to our Manager, its officers and directors, our sponsor and our sponsor’s shareholder and affiliates.

Our operating agreement provides that to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law our Manager, its officers and directors, our sponsor and our sponsor’s shareholders and affiliates will not be liable to us. In addition, pursuant to our operating agreement, we have agreed to indemnify our Manager, its officers and directors, our sponsor and our sponsor’s shareholders and affiliates, to the fullest extent permitted by law, against all expenses and liabilities (including judgments, fines, penalties, interest, amounts paid in settlement with the approval of our Company and attorney’s fees and disbursements) arising from the performance of any of their obligations or duties in connection with their service to us or the operating agreement, including in connection with any civil, criminal, administrative, investigative or other action, suit or proceeding to which any such person may hereafter be made party by reason of being or having been the Manager or one of our Manager’s directors or officers.
Insofar as the foregoing provisions permit indemnification of directors, officers or persons controlling us for liability arising under the Securities Act, we have been informed that, in the opinion of the SEC, this indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable.

Term and Removal of the Manager

Our operating agreement provides that our Manager will serve as our manager for an indefinite term, but that our Manager may be removed by us, or may choose to withdraw as manager, under certain circumstances.

Our shareholders may only remove our Manager at any time with 30 days prior written notice for “cause,” following the affirmative vote of two-thirds of our shareholders. If the Manager is removed for “cause,” the Members will have the power to elect a replacement Manager upon the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of our common shares. “Cause” is defined as:

- our Manager’s continued breach of any material provision of the operating agreement following a period of 30 days after written notice thereof (or 45 days after written notice of such breach if our Manager, under certain circumstances, has taken steps to cure such breach within 30 days of the written notice);

- the commencement of any proceeding relating to the bankruptcy or insolvency of our Manager, including an order for relief in an involuntary bankruptcy case or our Manager authorizing or filing a voluntary bankruptcy petition;

- our Manager committing fraud against us, misappropriating or embezzling our funds, or acting, or failing to act, in a manner constituting bad faith, willful misconduct, gross negligence or reckless disregard in the performance of its duties under the operating agreement; provided, however, that if any of these actions is caused by an employee, personnel and/or officer of our Manager or one of its affiliates and our Manager (or such affiliate) takes all necessary and appropriate action against such person and cures the damage caused by such actions within 30 days of our Manager’s actual knowledge of its commission or omission, then our Manager may not be removed; or

- the dissolution of our Manager.

Unsatisfactory financial performance of the Company does not constitute “cause” under the operating agreement.

Our Manager may assign its rights under our operating agreement in its entirety or delegate certain of its duties under the operating agreement to any of its affiliates, including pursuant to the shared services agreement described above under “—Shared Services Agreement” without the approval of our shareholders so long as our Manager remains liable for any such affiliate’s performance, and if such assignment or delegation does not require our approval under the Advisers Act.

Our Manager may withdraw as our Manager if we become required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act, with such withdrawal deemed to occur immediately before such event.

In the event of the removal or withdrawal of our Manager, our Manager will cooperate with us and take all reasonable steps to assist in making an orderly transition of the management function. Our Manager will determine whether any succeeding manager possesses sufficient qualifications to perform the management function.
Holdings of our Common Shares

Fundrise, L.P., an affiliate of our sponsor, has committed to purchase 1,000 common shares from us at $10.00 per share (for net proceeds to us of $10,000) in a private placement on a date no later than ten (10) days after we begin to accept subscriptions to this offering. Our sponsor previously acquired 500 common shares at a price equal to the initial offering price in connection with our formation, for net proceeds to us of $5,000.

Fundrise Platform

We will conduct this offering primarily on the Fundrise Platform, which will host this offering in connection with the distribution of the common shares offered pursuant to this offering circular. The Fundrise Platform is owned and operated by Fundrise, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Rise Companies Corp., our sponsor. We will not pay Fundrise, LLC, the owner of the Fundrise Platform, any sales commissions or other remuneration for hosting this offering on the Fundrise Platform. The Fundrise Platform has previously hosted private and public offerings of other affiliates of the sponsor under similar arrangements.

License Agreement

We will enter into a license agreement with our sponsor effective upon the commencement of this offering, pursuant to which our sponsor will grant us a non-exclusive, royalty free license to use the name “Fundrise.” Other than with respect to this license, we will have no legal right to use the “Fundrise” name. In the event that our Manager ceases to manage us, we would be required to change our name to eliminate the use of “Fundrise.”

MANAGEMENT COMPENSATION

Our Manager and its affiliates will receive fees and expense reimbursements for services relating to this offering and the investment and management of our assets. The items of compensation are summarized in the following table. Neither our Manager nor its affiliates will receive any selling commissions or dealer manager fees in connection with the offer and sale of our common shares.

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<td>Reimbursement of Organization and Offering Expenses — Manager (1)</td>
<td>Our Manager will pay organization and offering expenses on our behalf in connection with the offering of our shares. We will reimburse our Manager for these costs and future organization and offering costs it may incur on our behalf.</td>
<td>$350,000 (1)</td>
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<td>Acquisition / Origination Fee — Sponsor or its Affiliate (2)</td>
<td>Up to 2.00% of any amounts funded by us, our sponsor or affiliates of our sponsor to acquire or originate real estate properties, excluding any acquisition and origination expenses and any debt attributable to such investments. To the extent we invest in commercial real estate loans, the borrower will pay up to 2.00% of the amount funded by us, our sponsor or affiliates of our sponsor to acquire or originate such commercial real estate loans. We will not be entitled to these fees.</td>
<td>Paid by the co-investors, joint-venture, borrower or property holding entity at closing. Actual amounts are dependent upon the total equity and debt capital we raise; we cannot determine these amounts at the present time.</td>
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Reimbursement of Acquisition / Origination Expenses — Manager

We will reimburse our Manager for actual expenses incurred in connection with the selection, acquisition or origination of an investment, to the extent not reimbursed by the borrower in connection with any debt investments we may make, whether or not we ultimately acquire or originate the investment.

Actual amounts are dependent upon the offering proceeds we raise (and any leverage we employ); we cannot determine these amounts at the present time.

Form of Compensation and Recipient

Determination of Amount

Estimated Amount

Operational Stage

Asset Management Fee — Manager (3)

Quarterly asset management fee equal to an annualized rate of 0.85%, which, until September 30, 2020, will be based on our net offering proceeds as of the end of each quarter, and thereafter will be based on our NAV at the end of each prior semi-annual period (or such other period as determined by the Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually). This rate is determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but cannot exceed an annualized rate of 1.00%. The amount of the asset management fee may vary from time to time, and we will publicly report any changes in the asset management fee. To mitigate the effect of our lack of assets, revenue and operating history, our Manager has agreed, for a period until June 30, 2020 (the “fee waiver period”), to waive its asset management fee during the fee waiver period. Following the conclusion of the fee waiver period, our Manager may, in its sole discretion, waive its asset management fee, in whole or in part. The Manager will forfeit any portion of the asset management fee that is waived.

Actual amounts are dependent upon the offering proceeds we raise (and any leverage we employ) and the results of our operations; we cannot determine these amounts at the present time.
Reimbursement of Other Operating Expenses — Manager

We will reimburse our Manager for out-of-pocket expenses paid to third parties in connection with providing services to us. This does not include the Manager’s overhead, employee costs borne by the Manager, utilities or technology costs.

The expense reimbursements that we will pay to our Manager also include expenses incurred by our sponsor in the performance of services under the shared services agreement between our Manager and our sponsor, including any increases in insurance attributable to the management or operation of our Company.

Actual amounts are dependent upon the results of our operations; we cannot determine these amounts at the present time.

(1) At the election of our Manager we will start to reimburse our Manager, without interest, for these organization and offering costs incurred both before and after such date. Reimbursement payments will be made in monthly installments, but the aggregate monthly amount reimbursed can never exceed 0.50% of the aggregate gross offering proceeds from this and our prior offering; provided, however, no reimbursement will be made which, as a result of the reimbursement, would cause the net asset value to be less than $10.00 per share. If the sum of the total unreimbursed amount of such organization and offering costs, plus new costs incurred since the last reimbursement payment, exceeds the reimbursement limit described above for the applicable monthly installment, the excess will be eligible for reimbursement in subsequent months (subject to the 0.50% limit), calculated on an accumulated basis, until our Manager has been reimbursed in full.

(2) The acquisition/origination fee paid to our sponsor by the joint venture, co-investors, borrowers or property holding entity, is a percentage of the purchase price of an investment or the amount funded by us to acquire or originate a loan.

(3) Our Manager in its sole discretion may defer or waive any fee or reimbursements payable to it under the operating agreement. All or any portion of any deferred fees or reimbursements will be deferred without interest and paid when the Manager determines.

As part of its mission to drive down the overall costs regarding the construction, real estate development, special servicing, and sale of assets, the Manager intends to perform some or all of these functions in house in-lieu of outsourcing to a third-party consultant. In the event that the Manager performs these tasks, it will be entitled to receive compensation as described below, which the Manager believes is at or below the cost that would be incurred by retaining an independent third-party.

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<td>Construction and Development Fee - Manager or Other Party</td>
<td>A construction oversight and development management fee of 5.00% of the total development costs, excluding property; however, we do not intend to charge such development management fee unless it is net of the fee being charged by the developer of the project. Our Manager may, in its sole discretion, waive its development management fee, in whole or in part. The Manager will forfeit any portion of the development management fee that is waived.</td>
<td>Actual amounts are dependent upon the development costs of the projects; we cannot determine these amounts at the present time.</td>
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Reimbursement of Special Servicing Expenses – Manager or Other Party

We will reimburse our Manager for actual expenses incurred on our behalf in connection with the special servicing of non-performing assets, including, but not limited to, reimbursement of non-ordinary expenses and employee time required to special service a non-performing asset. Whether an asset is deemed to be non-performing is in the sole discretion of our Manager.

Actual amounts are dependent upon the occurrence of an asset becoming non-performing, the original value of such asset, and the results of our operations; we cannot determine these amounts at the present time.

Liquidation/Listing Stage

Disposition Fees – Manager or Other Party

We will reimburse our Manager for actual expenses incurred on our behalf in connection with the liquidation of equity investments in real estate, and we will pay up to 1.50% of the gross proceeds from such sale if our Manager is acting as the real estate developer or is engaged by the developer to sell the project. Whether to liquidate an equity investment in real estate is in the sole discretion of our Manager.

Actual amounts are dependent upon the price at which we sell or otherwise liquidate our investments; we cannot determine these amounts at the present time.

Example of Certain Estimated Fees in Our First Fiscal Year

In our first fiscal year, assuming we are successful in raising the maximum offering amount of $50 million of our common shares, and our sponsor and an affiliate of our sponsor fulfilled their commitment to purchase $15,000 of our common shares, we will have $49,665,000 available for future property acquisitions after deducting organization and offering costs, which are expected to be $350,000. As none of the other funds sponsored by our sponsor have utilized leverage in the past (other than short-term borrowings), we do not currently expect to use leverage at the Company-level (other than short-term borrowings) with respect to our investments. On that basis, if we invest the $49,665,000, then we would be able to invest approximately $49,665,000 in assets. Leverage at the property-level (as well as short-term leverage at the Company-level) has an immaterial effect on the investment amount on which the acquisition/origination fee and asset management fees are calculated.

If 100% of these purchases are investments subject to the 2.0% acquisition/origination fee, the acquisition/origination Fee (which is based on the investment amount funded by us) on such investments would equal $993,300. While our sponsor has agreed to waive its asset management fee through June 30, 2020, assuming our net offering proceeds equal $49,665,000, the annualized asset management fee would equal $422,152.50 (0.85% of net offering proceeds or NAV, the metric upon which the asset management fee is based).

PRINCIPAL SHAREHOLDERS

The following table sets forth the beneficial ownership of our common shares as of the date of this offering circular for each person or group that holds more than 5% of our common shares, for each director and executive officer of our Manager and for the directors and executive officers of our Manager as a group. To our knowledge, each person that beneficially owns our common shares has sole voting and disposition power with regard to such shares.
Unless otherwise indicated below, each person or entity has an address in care of our principal executive offices at 11 Dupont Circle NW, 9th FL, Washington, D.C. 20036.

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<td>Rise Companies Corp. (2)(3)</td>
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<td>Benjamin S. Miller</td>
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<td>All directors and executive officers of our Manager as a group (3 persons)</td>
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(1) Under SEC rules, a person is deemed to be a “beneficial owner” of a security if that person has or shares “voting power,” which includes the power to dispose of or to direct the disposition of such security. A person also is deemed to be a beneficial owner of any securities which that person has a right to acquire within 60 days. Under these rules, more than one person may be deemed to be a beneficial owner of the same securities and a person may be deemed to be a beneficial owner of securities as to which he or she has no economic or pecuniary interest.

(2) As of the date of this offering circular, Rise Companies Corp. owns all of our issued and outstanding common shares.

(3) All voting and investment decisions with respect to our common shares that are held by Rise Companies Corp. are controlled by the board of directors of Rise Companies Corp. The board is comprised of five (5) members, with two (2) elected by the common stockholders, one (1) elected by the Series A preferred stockholders, and two (2) elected by all of the stockholders voting as a single class. As of the date of this offering circular, the members of the board of directors of Rise Companies Corp. are (i) Benjamin Miller (who is also the Chief Executive Officer and Interim Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Rise Companies Corp.) and Brandon Jenkins (who is also the Chief Operating Officer of Rise Companies Corp.), who are the board members elected by the common stockholders; (ii) Joseph Chen, who is the board member elected by the Series A preferred stockholders; and (iii) Tal Kerret and Haniel Lynn, who are the board members elected by all the stockholders voting as a single class. As of the date of this offering circular, the following persons own capital stock of Rise Companies Corp.:

- Benjamin Miller and Daniel Miller, who are brothers, beneficially own shares of capital stock of Rise Companies Corp. that entitle each of them to approximately 48.7% of the vote of the common stockholders, approximately 5.2% of the vote of the preferred stockholders and approximately 43.7% of the vote of all of the stockholders in the election of board members.

- GPM: Fundrise, LLC, beneficially owns shares of preferred stock of Rise Companies Corp. that entitle it to approximately 8.4% of the vote of the preferred stockholders in the election of board members. Other than its beneficial ownership of shares of preferred stock, GPM: Fundrise, LLC is not affiliated with Rise or its directors or executive officers.

- Oak Pacific Investment (“OPI”) beneficially owns units of preferred stock of Rise Companies Corp. that entitle it to approximately 66.2% of the vote of the preferred stockholders in the election of board members, which effectively entitle OPI to one board seat.

As of the date of this offering circular, other than the persons listed above, no other stockholder of Rise Companies Corp. beneficially owns shares of capital stock that entitle such stockholder to more than 5% of the voting power held by the common stockholders, the preferred stockholders, or all the stockholders voting as a single class. All of the foregoing stockholders, directors and executive officers disclaim beneficial ownership of our common shares that are owned by Rise Companies Corp.
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

We are subject to various conflicts of interest arising out of our relationship with our Manager and its affiliates. We discuss these conflicts below and conclude this section with a discussion of the corporate governance measures we have adopted to mitigate some of the risks posed by these conflicts.

Our Affiliates’ Interests in Other Fundrise Entities

General

The officers and directors of our Manager and the key real estate and debt finance professionals of our sponsor who perform services for us on behalf of our Manager are also officers, directors, managers, and/or key professionals of our sponsor and other Fundrise entities. These persons have legal obligations with respect to those entities that are similar to their obligations to us. In the future, these persons and other affiliates of our sponsor may organize other real estate-related or debt-related programs and acquire for their own account real estate-related investments that may be suitable for us. In addition, our sponsor may grant equity interests in our Manager to certain management personnel performing services for our Manager.

Payment of Certain Fees and Expenses of our Manager

Our Manager is a wholly-owned subsidiary of our sponsor. We will pay fees and expenses to our Manager, and its affiliates, including our sponsor, that were not determined on an arm’s length basis. The asset management fee paid to our Manager will, after September 30, 2020, be based on our NAV, which will be calculated by our sponsor’s internal accountants and asset management team. Our Manager may benefit by us retaining ownership of our assets at times when our shareholders may be better served by the sale or disposition of our assets in order to avoid a reduction in our NAV.

Allocation of Investment Opportunities

We rely on our Manager’s executive officers and our sponsor’s key real estate professionals who act on behalf of our Manager to identify suitable investments. Our sponsor and other Fundrise entities also rely on these same key real estate professionals. Our sponsor has in the past, and expects to continue in the future, to offer other Fundrise Platform investment opportunities, primarily through the Fundrise Platform, including offerings that acquire or invest in commercial real estate equity investments, including multifamily properties, commercial real estate loans, and other select real estate-related assets. Our sponsor has previously organized, as of the date of this offering circular, the following similar programs (eREITs® and eFunds™):

- The Income eREIT®, Income eREIT® II, Income eREIT® III, Income eREIT® 2019, Income eREIT® V, and Income eREIT® VI, which were formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio of commercial real estate investments through the acquisition of commercial real estate loans;
- The Growth eREIT®, Growth eREIT® II, Growth eREIT® III, Growth eREIT® 2019, and Growth eREIT® V, which were formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio of commercial real estate properties and has investment objectives and strategies that are similar to ours;
- The Heartland eREIT®, which was formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio primarily consisting of investments in multifamily rental properties and development projects located primarily in the Houston, TX, Dallas, TX, Austin, TX, Chicago, IL, and Denver, CO metropolitan statistical areas;
- The West Coast eREIT®, which was formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio primarily consisting of investments in multifamily rental properties and development projects located primarily in the Los Angeles, CA, San Francisco, CA, San Diego, CA, Seattle, WA, and Portland, OR metropolitan statistical areas;
• The East Coast eREIT®, which was formed to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio primarily consisting of investments in multifamily rental properties and development projects located primarily in the states of Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, as well as the metropolitan statistical areas of Washington, DC and Philadelphia, PA;

• The LA Homes eFundTM, which was formed to acquire property for the development of for-sale housing in the Los Angeles, CA metropolitan statistical area;

• The DC Homes eFundTM, which was formed to acquire property for the development of for-sale housing in the Washington, DC metropolitan statistical area; and

• The National For-Sale eFundTM, which was formed to acquire property for the development of for-sale housing in the metropolitan statistical areas in which our sponsor is not currently sponsoring another regionally or locally focused eFundTM, or to acquire assets in such regions that are not currently the focus of another eFund.

These additional programs may have investment criteria that compete with us.

Each of the foregoing entities intends to continue raising up to $50 million in any given 12-month period as permitted under Regulation A.

If a sale, financing, investment or other business opportunity would be suitable for more than one program, our sponsor will allocate it using its business judgment. Any allocation of this type may involve the consideration of a number of factors that our sponsor determines to be relevant. The factors that our sponsor’s real estate professionals could consider when determining the entity for which an investment opportunity would be the most suitable include the following:

· the investment objectives and criteria of our sponsor and the other Fundrise entities;
· the cash requirements of our sponsor and the other Fundrise entities;
· the effect of the investment on the diversification of our sponsor’s or the other Fundrise entities’ portfolio by type of investment, and risk of investment;
· the policy of our sponsor or the other Fundrise entities relating to leverage;
· the anticipated cash flow of the asset to be acquired;
· the income tax effects of the purchase on our sponsor or the other Fundrise entities;
· the size of the investment; and
· the amount of funds available to our sponsor or the Fundrise entities.

If a subsequent event or development causes any investment, in the opinion of our sponsor’s real estate professionals, to be more appropriate for another Fundrise entity, they may offer the investment to such entity.

Except under any policies that may be adopted by our Manager, which policies will be designed to minimize conflicts among the programs and other investment opportunities provided on the Fundrise Platform, no Fundrise Platform investment opportunity (including us) will have any duty, responsibility or obligation to refrain from:

· engaging in the same or similar activities or lines of business as any program or Fundrise Platform investment opportunity;
· doing business with any potential or actual tenant, lender, purchaser, supplier, customer or competitor of any program or Fundrise Platform investment opportunity;
· engaging in, or refraining from, any other activities whatsoever relating to any of the potential or actual tenants, lenders, purchasers, suppliers or customers of any program or Fundrise Platform investment opportunity;
· establishing material commercial relationships with another program or Fundrise Platform investment opportunity; or
· making operational and financial decisions that could be considered to be detrimental to another program or Fundrise Platform investment opportunity.
In addition, any decisions by our Manager to renew, extend, modify or terminate an agreement or arrangement, or enter into similar agreements or arrangements in the future, may benefit one program more than another program or limit or impair the ability of any program to pursue business opportunities. In addition, third parties may require as a condition to their arrangements or agreements with or related to any one particular program that such arrangements or agreements include or not include another program, as the case may be. Any of these decisions may benefit one program more than another program.

**Allocation of Our Affiliates’ Time**

We rely on our sponsor’s key real estate and debt finance professionals who act on behalf of our Manager, including Mr. Benjamin S. Miller, for the day-to-day operation of our business. Mr. Benjamin S. Miller is also the Chief Executive Officer of our sponsor and other Fundrise entities. As a result of his interests in other Fundrise entities, his obligations to other investors and the fact that he engages in and will continue to engage in other business activities on behalf of himself and others, Mr. Benjamin S. Miller will face conflicts of interest in allocating his time among us, our Manager and other Fundrise entities and other business activities in which he is involved. However, we believe that our Manager and its affiliates have sufficient real estate and debt finance professionals to fully discharge their responsibilities to the Fundrise entities for which they work.

**Receipt of Fees and Other Compensation by our Manager and its Affiliates**

Our Manager and its affiliates will receive substantial fees from us, which fees will not be negotiated at arm’s length. These fees could influence our Manager’s advice to us as well as the judgment of affiliates of our Manager, some of whom also serve as our Manager’s officers and directors and the key real estate and debt finance professionals of our sponsor. Among other matters, these compensation arrangements could affect their judgment with respect to:

- the continuation, renewal or enforcement of provisions in our operating agreement involving our Manager and its affiliates, or the shared services agreement between our Manager and our sponsor;

- public offerings of equity by us, which will likely entitle our Manager to increased acquisition fees, origination fees, asset management fees and other fees;

- acquisitions of investments and originations of loans at higher purchase prices, which entitle our Manager to higher acquisition fees, origination fees and asset management fees regardless of the quality or performance of the investment or loan and, in the case of acquisitions of investments from other Fundrise entities, might entitle affiliates of our Manager to disposition fees in connection with services for the seller;

- borrowings up to or in excess of our stated borrowing policy to acquire investments and to originate loans, which borrowings will increase asset management fees payable by us to our Manager;

- whether and when we seek to list our common shares on a stock exchange or other trading market;

- whether we seek shareholder approval to internalize our management, which may entail acquiring assets (such as office space, furnishings and technology costs) and the key real estate and debt finance professionals of our sponsor who are performing services for us on behalf of our Manager for consideration that would be negotiated at that time and may result in these real estate and debt finance professionals receiving more compensation from us than they currently receive from our sponsor;
• whether and when we seek to sell our Company or its assets; and

• whether and when we merge or consolidate our assets with other companies, including companies affiliated with our Manager.

**Duties Owed by Some of Our Affiliates to Our Manager and our Manager’s Affiliates**

Our Manager’s officers and directors and the key real estate and debt finance professionals of our sponsor performing services on behalf of our Manager are also officers, directors, managers and/or key professionals of:

- Rise Companies Corp., our sponsor;
- Fundrise Advisors, LLC, our Manager;
- Fundrise, LLC, the owner of the Fundrise Platform;
- other investment programs sponsored by our sponsor; and
- other Fundrise entities (see “Prior Performance Summary”).

As a result, they owe duties to each of these entities, their shareholders, members and limited partners. These duties may from time to time conflict with the duties that they owe to us.

**No Independent Underwriter**

As we are conducting this offering without the aid of an independent underwriter, you will not have the benefit of an independent due diligence review and investigation of the type normally performed by an independent underwriter in connection with the offering of securities. See “Plan of Distribution.”

**License Agreement**

We will enter into a license agreement with our sponsor effective upon the commencement of this offering, pursuant to which our sponsor will grant us a non-exclusive, royalty free license to use the name “Fundrise.” See “Management—License Agreement.”

**Certain Conflict Resolution Measures**

**Independent Representative**

If our sponsor, Manager or their affiliates have a conflict of interest with us that is not otherwise covered by a policy we will adopt or a transaction is deemed to be a “principal transaction,” the Manager will appoint an independent representative (the “Independent Representative”) to protect the interests of the shareholders and review and approve such transactions. Any compensation payable to the Independent Representative for serving in such capacity on our behalf will be payable by us. Principal transactions are defined as transactions between our sponsor, Manager or their affiliates, on the one hand, and us or one of our subsidiaries, on the other hand. Our Manager will only be authorized to execute principal transactions with the prior approval of the Independent Representative and in accordance with applicable law. Such prior approval may include but not be limited to pricing methodology for the acquisition of assets and/or liabilities for which there are no readily observable market prices.

On December 2, 2015, our Manager appointed William Thomas Lockard, Jr. to serve as the independent representative for the various eREITs® managed by our Manager (the “eREITs’ Independent Representative”), to protect the interests of the shareholders and review and approve any transactions in which our sponsor, Manager or their affiliates have a conflict of interest with us or a transaction deemed to be a “principal transaction.”
Mr. Lockard is currently the Managing Director and Head of Investment Banking for 280 CapMarkets, a fixed-income investment platform. He worked for 30 years as a public finance investment banker at closely held San Francisco-based Stone & Youngberg. Over the course of his banking career he structured more than 500 California local government financings representing more than $6 billion in public infrastructure and housing related projects. Mr. Lockard was a partner in the firm and served on both the firm’s board of directors and executive management committee.

Following the sale of Stone & Youngberg to Stifel, Mr. Lockard joined Rise Companies Corp. in 2014 as a Senior Vice President. Beginning in July 2015, Mr. Lockard transitioned from an employee of Rise Companies Corp. to a senior advisor. In December 2015, as noted above, Mr. Lockard agreed to become the eREITs’ Independent Representative and no longer acts as a senior advisor to Rise Companies Corp.

Mr. Lockard earned a bachelor’s degree from Stanford University, a master’s degree from Claremont Graduate University, and an MBA from the University of Pennsylvania’s Wharton School. Mr. Lockard served as a trustee of the University of Pennsylvania. He is a Stanford University Associate. Currently he is the board treasurer for the Center for Investigative Reporting. He is a board member of the Salesian Boys’ and Girls’ Club San Francisco. Mr. Lockard has served as treasurer on the boards of Coro of Northern California and the ACLU of Northern California. Mr. Lockard is a full member of the Urban Land Institute, a member of the San Francisco Golden Gate chapter of Lambda Alpha, and a member of the Stanford Real Estate Council.

The Manager believes that Mr. Lockard is independent based on the criteria for an “interested person” set forth in Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act.

**Our Policies Relating to Conflicts of Interest**

In addition to the provisions in our operating agreement described below and our Manager’s investment allocation policies described above, we have adopted the following policies prohibiting us from entering into certain types of transactions with our Manager, our sponsor, their officers or any of their affiliates in order to further reduce the potential for conflicts inherent in transactions with affiliates.

Pursuant to these conflicts of interest policies, we may not engage in the following types of transactions unless such transaction is approved by the Independent Representative:

- sell or lease any investments to our Manager, our sponsor, their officers or any of their affiliates;
- acquire or lease any investments from our Manager, our sponsor, their officers or any of their affiliates; and
- invest in or make mortgage loans in which the transaction is with our Manager, our sponsor, their officers or any of their affiliates, including any mortgage loans that are subordinate to any mortgage or equity interest of our Manager, our sponsor, their officers or any of their affiliates.

In addition, pursuant to these conflicts of interest policies, we will neither make any loans to our Manager, our sponsor, their officers or any of their affiliates nor borrow money from our Manager, our sponsor, their officers or any of their affiliates, except as otherwise provided in the offering circular or unless approved by the Independent Representative. These restrictions on loans will only apply to advances of cash that are commonly viewed as loans, as determined by the Manager. By way of example only, the prohibition on loans would not restrict advances of cash for legal expenses or other costs incurred as a result of any legal action for which indemnification is being sought nor would the prohibition limit our ability to advance reimbursable expenses incurred by our Manager, our sponsor, their officers or any of their affiliates.

These conflicts of interest policies may be amended at any time in our Manager’s discretion.
Other Operating Agreement Provisions Relating to Conflicts of Interest

Our operating agreement contains many other restrictions relating to conflicts of interest including the following:

**Term of our Manager.** Our operating agreement provides that our Manager will serve as our manager for an indefinite term, but that our Manager may be removed by us, or may choose to withdraw as manager, under certain circumstances. Our shareholders may remove our Manager at any time with 30 days prior written notice for “cause,” following the affirmative vote of two-thirds of our shareholders. Unsatisfactory financial performance does not constitute “cause” under the operating agreement. Our Manager may withdraw as manager if we become required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act, with such withdrawal deemed to occur immediately before such event. In the event of the removal of our Manager, our Manager will cooperate with us and take all reasonable steps to assist in making an orderly transition of the management function. Our Manager will determine whether any succeeding manager possesses sufficient qualifications to perform the management function. See “Management—Term and Removal of the Manager.”

**Other Transactions Involving Affiliates.** Before engaging in a transaction involving an affiliate, our Manager must conclude that all other transactions between us and our sponsor, our Manager, any of their officers or directors, or any of their affiliates are fair and reasonable to us and on terms and conditions not less favorable to us than those available from unaffiliated third parties. See “Management—Investment Committee of our Manager.”

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGY

**Investment Objectives**

Our investment objectives are:

- to realize growth in the value of our investments within approximately five years of the termination of this offering;
- to grow net cash from operations so more cash is available for distributions to investors;
- to pay attractive and consistent cash distributions;
- to enable investors to realize a return on their investment by beginning the process of liquidating and distributing cash to investors within approximately five years of the termination of this offering, or providing liquidity through alternative means such as in-kind distributions of our own securities or other assets; and
- to preserve, protect and return your capital contribution.

We cannot assure you that we will attain these objectives or that the value of our assets will not decrease. Furthermore, within our investment objectives and policies, our Manager will have substantial discretion with respect to the selection of specific investments and the purchase and sale of our assets. Our Manager’s investment committee will review our investment guidelines at least annually to determine whether our investment guidelines continue to be in the best interests of our shareholders.

**Investment Strategy**

We intend to use substantially all of the proceeds of this offering to originate, acquire, asset manage, operate, selectively leverage, syndicate and opportunistically sell commercial real estate properties, debt securities and other real estate-related assets, where the underlying assets primarily consist of such properties. Our management has extensive experience investing in numerous types of properties. Thus, we may acquire a wide variety of commercial properties, including office, industrial, retail, hospitality, recreation and leisure, single-tenant, multifamily and other real properties. These properties may be existing, income-producing properties, newly constructed properties or properties under development or construction and may include properties purchased for renovation and conversion into condominiums and single-tenant properties that may be converted for another use, such as multifamily use. We focus on acquiring properties with significant possibilities for capital appreciation, such as those requiring development, redevelopment or repositioning, those located in markets with high growth potential and those available from sellers who are distressed or face time-sensitive deadlines. We also may invest in real estate-related securities, including securities issued by other real estate companies, either for investment or in change of control transactions completed on a negotiated basis or otherwise, and in bridge and mezzanine loans that may lead to an opportunity to purchase a real estate interest. In addition, to the extent that our Manager and its investment
committee determines that it is advantageous, we also may make or invest in commercial mortgage-backed securities, mortgage loans and Code Section 1031 tenant-in-common interests. We expect that our portfolio of debt investments will be secured primarily by U.S. based collateral, primarily commercial real estate properties and development projects, and diversified by security type, property type and geographic location.
We may enter into one or more joint ventures, tenant-in-common investments or other co-ownership arrangements for the
acquisition, development or improvement of properties with third parties or affiliates of our Manager, including present and future real
estate investment offering and REITs sponsored by affiliates of our sponsor. We also may serve as mortgage lender to, or acquire
interests in or securities issued by, these joint ventures, tenant-in-common investments or other joint venture arrangements.

For debt investments, our Manager intends to directly structure, underwrite and originate many of the debt products in which we
invest as this provides for the best opportunity to control our borrower and partner relationships and optimize the terms of our
investments. Our proven underwriting process, which our management team has successfully developed over their extensive real estate
careers in a variety of market conditions and implemented at our sponsor, will involve comprehensive financial, structural, operational
and legal due diligence of our borrowers and partners in order to optimize pricing and structuring and mitigate risk. We feel the current
and future market environment for commercial real estate properties and development projects (including any existing or future
government-sponsored programs) provides a wide range of opportunities to generate compelling investments with strong risk-return
profiles for our shareholders.

We may selectively employ leverage to enhance total returns to our shareholders through a combination of senior financing on our
real estate acquisitions, secured facilities, and capital markets financing transactions. Our target portfolio-wide leverage after we have
acquired an initial substantial portfolio of diversified investments is between 50%-85% of the greater of cost (before deducting
depreciation or other non-cash reserves) or fair market value of our assets. During the period when we are acquiring our initial
portfolio, we may employ greater leverage on individual assets (that will also result in greater leverage of the interim portfolio) in order
to quickly build a diversified portfolio of assets. We will seek to secure conservatively structured leverage that is long-term, non-
recourse, non mark-to-market financing to the extent obtainable on a cost effective basis. To the extent a higher level of leverage is
employed it may come either in the form of government-sponsored programs or other long-term, non-recourse, non-mark-to-market
financing. Our Manager may from time to time modify our leverage policy in its discretion. However, other than during our initial
period of operations, it is our policy to not borrow more than 85% of the greater of cost (before deducting depreciation or other non-
cash reserves) or fair market value of our assets. We cannot exceed the leverage limit of our leverage policy unless any excess in
borrowing over such level is approved by our Manager’s investment committee.

In executing on our business strategy, we believe that we will benefit from our Manager’s affiliation with our sponsor given our
sponsor’s strong track record and extensive experience and capabilities as an online real estate origination and funding platform. These
competitive advantages include:

• Our sponsor’s experience and reputation as a leading real estate investment manager, which historically has given it access to a large
investment pipeline similar to our targeted assets and the key market data we use to underwrite and portfolio manage assets;

• Our sponsor’s direct and online origination capabilities, which are amplified by a proprietary technology platform, business process
automation, and a large user base, of which a significant portion are seeking capital for real estate projects;

• Our sponsor’s relationships with financial institutions and other lenders that originate and distribute commercial real estate debt and
other real estate-related products and that finance the types of assets we intend to acquire and originate;

• Our sponsor’s experienced portfolio management team which actively monitors each investment through an established regime of
analysis, credit review and protocol; and

• Our sponsor’s management team which has a successful track record of making commercial real estate investments in a variety of
market conditions.
Investment Decisions and Asset Management

Within our investment policies and objectives, our Manager’s investment committee will have substantial discretion with respect to the selection of specific investments and the purchase and sale of our assets. We believe that successful real estate investment requires the implementation of strategies that permit flexible purchases and originations, effective asset management and timely disposition of those assets. As such, we have developed a disciplined investment approach that combines the experience of its team of real estate and debt finance professionals with a structure that emphasizes thorough market research, stringent underwriting standards and an extensive down-side analysis of the risks of each investment. The approach also includes active and aggressive management of each asset acquired.

We believe that active management is critical to creating value. We will also develop a well-defined exit strategy for each investment we make. Specifically, we will assign an exit or refinance timeline to each asset we acquire prior to its purchase as part of the original business plan for the asset. We will then continually re-evaluate the exit strategy of each asset in response to the performance of the individual asset, market conditions and our overall portfolio objectives to determine the optimal time to sell the asset.

To execute our disciplined investment approach, a team of our real estate and debt finance professionals take responsibility for the business plan of each investment. The following practices summarize our investment approach:

- **Local Market Research** – The investment team extensively researches the acquisition and/or origination and underwriting of each transaction, utilizing both real time market data and the transactional knowledge and experience of our network of professionals and in market relationships.

- **Underwriting Discipline** – We follow a tightly controlled and managed process to examine all elements of a potential investment, including, with respect to real property, its location, income-producing capacity, prospects for long-range appreciation, income tax considerations and liquidity. Only those assets meeting our investment criteria will be accepted for inclusion in our portfolio. In an effort to keep an asset in compliance with those standards, the underwriting team remains involved through the investment life cycle of the asset and consults with the other internal professionals responsible for the asset. This team of experts reviews and develops comprehensive reports for each asset throughout the holding period.

- **Risk Management** – Risk management is a fundamental principle in our construction of portfolios and in the management of each investment. Diversification of portfolios by investment type, investment size and investment risk is critical to controlling portfolio-level risk. Operating or performance risks arise at the investment level and often require real estate operating experience to cure. Our real estate and debt finance professionals review the operating performance of investments against projections and provide the oversight necessary to detect and resolve issues as they arise.

- **Asset Management** – Prior to the purchase of an individual asset or portfolio, the Manager will closely work with the acquisition and underwriting teams to develop an asset business strategy. This is a forecast of the action items to be taken and the capital needed to achieve the anticipated returns. We review asset business strategies regularly to anticipate changes or opportunities in the market during a given phase of a real estate cycle. We have designed this process to allow for realistic yet aggressive enhancement of value throughout the investment period.
**Market Overview and Opportunity**

We believe that the near and intermediate-term market for investment in select commercial real estate properties, joint venture equity investments, and other real-estate related assets is compelling from a risk-return perspective.

We favor a strategy weighted toward targeting mezzanine debt and joint venture equity with preferred economic returns that maximize current income, and equity investments with significant potential value creation but below the radar of institutional-sized investors.

We intend to pursue a variety of tactics to search for pricing opportunistic dislocations in the commercial real estate market including: (i) acquiring value-add and lease-up properties; (ii) acquiring assets that require repositioning or re-development; (iii) investing in ground-up new development projects; and (iv) providing senior debt, mezzanine debt and recapitalization equity capital for existing transactions.

We believe that our investment strategy, combined with both our unique web-based origination platform and the experience and expertise of our Manager’s team, will provide opportunities to originate investments with attractive current and accrued returns, long-term equity returns and strong structural features with local, joint venture real estate companies. This strategy expects to take advantage of changing market conditions to achieve favorable risk adjusted returns.

**General Market Considerations**

*Population growth has shifted dramatically to urban environments, increasing demand for property in areas often neglected by institutional investors due to the small, fragmented size of the property investments and the emerging character of the neighborhoods.* Between 2000 and 2010, more than a million baby boomers moved out of areas 40 to 80 miles from city centers and a similar number moved to within five miles of city centers, according to an analysis of 50 large cities by the online real estate brokerage Redfin. According to the Census Bureau, urban growth is rapidly outpacing suburban areas: (1) the nation’s metro areas grew by about 2.3 million to 269.9 million people last year; (2) about three in four metro areas gained population between 2012 and 2013 — of 381, only 92 lost population; and (3) in all but five of the 50 fastest-growing metro areas, the largest contributor to growth was net migration, not higher birth rates. These urban markets have historically been the focus of the previous investments and experience of our Manager’s management team.
Population growth has been shifting to the core counties of the USA's 381 metro areas, especially since the economic recovery began in 2010.
Retail investors have limited opportunity to invest in private real estate without paying a heavy load in fees. The non-listed REIT industry has seen enormous growth in the past 5 years, raising up to $15 billion dollars a year, according to the Investment Program Association. This success was achieved despite an up-front fee load of often times as much as 15-20% of an individual investment, which are some of the highest loads across the entire financial industry. Our Manager’s management team believes that a lower cost alternative, available through a convenient online platform, would offer compelling competition in the marketplace.
The small balance commercial market is underserved by conventional capital sources, reducing the availability of both debt and equity capital for small property owners and leading to favorable pricing dynamics. According to Boxwood Means LLC, a leading research authority in the small-cap commercial real estate market, small balance commercial (SBC) loan originations under $5 million in value topped $175 billion as of early 2015. However, traditional institutional lenders poorly penetrate the SBC market, which is demonstrated by a secular decline of SBC loans held on bank balance sheets. The top 15 lenders – all commercial banks – accounted for only 23% of total volume last year. By contrast, the top 5 residential lenders command close to 50% of total originations. As a result, generally speaking there are increasingly more favorable pricing dynamics as less funding is available to participants in the SBC space.

The inefficiency and fragmentation of the SBC market has resulted in a relatively lower pricing for SBC properties as compared to core commercial. As of April 2015, there is the largest spread in prices between the Core Commercial CPPI component and the Boxwood SCPI-117 since 2005. The size of the gap illustrates the potential value discrepancy of small cap commercial real estate relative to institutional properties.
More stringent regulatory environment for lending has increased standards and reduced proceeds for borrowers, frequently creating a need for new sources of funding and additional equity capital capitalization. According to Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., a Stifel Company, average loan-to-values are 68%, a 10-year historic low. Contraction of the banking system and capital adequacy issues have greatly diminished the capacity of major banks to provide commercial mortgage loans and credit facilities to property owners. The banking industry has been transformed by bankruptcies, including the seizure of approximately 195 banks by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or FDIC (25 in 2008, 140 in 2009 and 30 more by March 12, 2010), and the tightening of lending standards at commercial banks. The conservative lending environment has created an opportunity for flexible capital required to fully capitalize properties. Therefore, the demand for equity funding has increased significantly.

Concentration of fundraising among the largest private equity funds has increased the difficulty for real estate companies to raise equity or mezzanine investments of less than $10,000,000. One of the responses to the 2008 recession, according to Preqin Global Private Equity Report, has been growth in the average size of investment funds, whereby large investors have been investing more of their capital with managers that have extensive track records, and are therefore, by nature, raising much larger funds. In 2014, funds of a size equivalent to $1.5 billion or more accounted for 58% of all private equity capital raised; while, first-time managers only accounted for 7% of capital raised. The average fund size hit a record of greater than $600,000,000. Larger funds consequently focus on larger deals in order to deploy their capital fully and effectively. Consequently, there is much less competition for investments typically too small for the major private equity funds.
The US economy is showing signs of being late in the business cycle. As of February 2019, the current economic cycle is approximately 115 months long, making it the second longest in US history, as defined by the National Bureau of Economic Research. Economic cycles are the natural fluctuation between periods of expansion and contraction, during which positive or negative feedback loops drive growth and pricing. For example, coming out of a recession, interest rates tend to be low and production generally increasing. However, late in an expansion phase inflationary pressures builds and asset prices often over shoot, typically engendering higher rates of borrowing, over optimism, and poor discipline. These imbalances in the economy eventually lead to a correction. After 115 months of expansion, we feel it is safe to assume the US is late in the cycle, as shown below in Fidelity Investment’s graph charting their view of each country’s place in their economic cycle. As a result, the Manager feels it is a time to exercise caution and accept potentially lower returns in the short term to position the Company to weather a coming correction and potentially capitalize on more attractive investments when the economic cycle changes.
The decline in construction lending volume and tightening of credit standards from traditional sources of financing for commercial real estate has decreased debt capital available for construction and land development and increased the demand for equity. Construction lending fell precipitously since the 2008 recession. The FDIC report shows that outstanding construction loans for both residential and commercial projects have only recently recovered from the nadir. Data from Sageworks, a financial information company, shows that construction and land development loans were 5.14% of total loans and leases as of year-end 2014, down from 8.88% in March 2008, despite the fact that loss rates for construction and land development loans have fallen from 3.58% of average loan balances in December 2009 to 0.24% as of late 2014. Although construction lending has increased since the bottom of the cycle, stricter lending standards have still left open attractive sections in the market. According to an American Banking Association survey, a quarter of U.S. banks also cited hard caps on commercial lending imposed by regulators and other supervisory requirements as a reason for decreased construction lending. As a result, while demand is recovering in major cities, supply of new space has lagged, especially compounded in urban markets with burdensome zoning and community process.
Targeted Investments

Because our intended approach to acquiring and operating real estate and real estate-related assets involves more risk than comparable real estate programs that have a targeted holding period for investments longer than ours, utilize leverage to a lesser degree and/or employ more conservative investment strategies, we believe that we have a potential for a higher rate of return than comparable real estate programs. Prior to acquiring an asset, our Manager’s investment committee will perform an individual analysis of the asset to determine whether it meets our investment guidelines, including the probability of sale at an optimum price within our targeted holding period. Our Manager’s investment committee will use the information derived from the analysis in determining whether the asset is an appropriate investment for us.

We intend to invest in a wide variety of commercial properties, including, without limitation, office, industrial, retail, hospitality, recreation and leisure, single-tenant, multifamily and other real properties. These properties may be existing or newly constructed properties, properties under development or construction, properties not yet developed or raw land for development or resale and may include multifamily properties purchased for conversion into condominiums and single-tenant properties that may be converted for multifamily use. In each case, the properties will be identified by us as opportunistic investments. These properties will be identified as such because of their property-specific characteristics or their market characteristics. For instance, properties that may benefit from unique repositioning opportunities or for development or redevelopment or that are located in markets with high growth potential or that are available from distressed sellers may present appropriate investments for us.

In the case of real estate-related investments, we may invest in (1) equity securities such as common stocks, preferred stocks and convertible preferred securities of public or private real estate companies such as other REITs and other real estate operating companies, (2) debt securities such as commercial mortgages, mortgage loan participations, commercial mortgage-backed securities and debt securities issued by other real estate companies, and (3) mezzanine loans, bridge loans and certain non-U.S. dollar denominated securities. In each case, these real estate-related assets will have been identified as being opportunistic investments with significant possibilities for near-term capital appreciation or higher current income.
We also intend to acquire commercial real estate loans by directly originating the loans and by purchasing them from third party sellers. Although we generally prefer the benefits of direct origination, the current market conditions have created situations where holders of commercial real estate debt may be in distress and are therefore willing to sell at prices that compensate the buyer for the lack of control typically associated with directly structured investments. The experience of our Manager’s management team in making distressed investments greatly augments our capabilities in this area. We intend to hold our assets for a period of approximately five years from the termination of this offering. We believe that holding our assets for this period will enable us to capitalize on the potential for increased income and capital appreciation of such assets while also providing for a level of liquidity consistent with our investment strategy and fund life. Though we will evaluate each of our assets for capital appreciation generally within a targeted holding period of approximately five years from the termination of this offering, we may consider investing in properties and other assets with a different holding period in the event such investments provide an opportunity for an attractive return in a period that is consistent with the life of our Company. Further, economic or market conditions, or the tax rules applicable to REITs, may influence us to hold our investments for different periods of time.

As a result of our flexibility to invest in a variety of types of real estate and real estate-related assets rather than in specific limited asset types, our intent to target assets with significant possibilities for near-term capital appreciation or higher current income, we believe that our investments have the potential to provide a rate of return superior to real estate programs that invest in a limited range of asset types, have a longer targeted holding period, utilize leverage to a lesser degree and/or employ more conservative investment strategies.

In cases where our Manager’s investment committee determines that it is advantageous to us to make investments in which our sponsor or its affiliates do not have substantial experience, it is our Manager’s investment committee’s intention to employ persons, engage consultants or partner with third parties that have, in our Manager’s investment committee’s opinion, the relevant expertise necessary to assist our Manager’s investment committee in its consideration, making and administration of such investments.

**Investments in Real Property**

In executing our investment strategy with respect to investments in real property, we will seek to invest in assets that we believe may be repositioned or redeveloped so that they will reach an optimum value within approximately five years from the termination of this offering. We may acquire properties with lower tenant quality or low occupancy rates and reposition them by seeking to improve the property, tenant quality and occupancy rates and thereby increase lease revenues and overall property value. Further, we may invest in properties that we believe are an attractive value because all or a portion of the tenant leases expire within a short period after the date of acquisition, and we intend to renew leases or replace existing tenants at the properties for improved returns. We may acquire properties in markets that are depressed or overbuilt with the anticipation that, within our targeted holding period, the markets will recover and favorably impact the value of these properties. We may also acquire properties from sellers who are distressed or face time-sensitive deadlines with the expectation that we can achieve better success with the properties. Many of the markets where we will acquire properties may have high growth potential in real estate lease rates and sale prices. To the extent feasible, we will invest in a diversified portfolio of commercial real estate assets and development projects in terms of geography, type of property and industry of our tenants that will satisfy our investment objectives of preserving our capital and realizing capital appreciation upon the ultimate sale of our properties. In making investment decisions for us, our Manager’s investment committee will consider relevant real estate property and financial factors, including the location of the property, its suitability for any development contemplated or in progress, its income-producing capacity, the prospects for long-range appreciation and its liquidity and income and REIT tax considerations.

We are not limited in the number or size of properties we may acquire or the percentage of net proceeds of this offering that we may invest in a single property. The number and mix of properties we acquire will depend upon real estate and market conditions and other circumstances existing at the time we acquire our properties and the amount of proceeds we raise in this offering.
Our investment in real estate generally will take the form of holding fee title or a long-term leasehold estate, and is expected to be most commonly owned through a special purpose entity with a joint venture partner. We will acquire such interests either directly or indirectly through limited liability companies or through investments in joint ventures, partnerships, co-tenancies or other co-ownership arrangements with third parties, including developers of the properties, or with affiliates of our sponsor. In addition, we may purchase properties and lease them back to the sellers of such properties. Although we will use our best efforts to structure any such sale-leaseback transaction such that the lease will be characterized as a “true lease” so that we will be treated as the owner of the property for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the Internal Revenue Service could challenge such characterization. In the event that any such sale-leaseback transaction is recharacterized as a financing transaction for U.S. federal income tax purposes, deductions for depreciation and cost recovery relating to such property would be disallowed. See “U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations—Gross Income Tests—Sale-Leaseback Transactions.”

Though we intend to diversify our portfolio by geographic location, we expect to focus on markets with high growth potential. As a result, our actual investments may result in concentrations in a limited number of geographic regions. We expect to make our investments in or in respect of real estate assets located in the United States. If we invest in properties outside of the United States, we intend to focus primarily on commercial properties located in Europe, which we believe to have similar characteristics as those properties in which we have previous investment and management expertise. Investment in areas outside of the United States may be subject to risks different than those impacting properties in the United States.

Our obligation to purchase any property generally will be conditioned upon the delivery and verification of certain documents from the seller or developer, including, where appropriate:

- plans and specifications;
- environmental reports;
- surveys;
- evidence of marketable title subject to such liens and encumbrances as are acceptable to our Manager;
- auditable financial statements covering recent operations of properties having operating histories; and
- title and liability insurance policies.

We will generally not purchase any property unless and until we obtain what is generally referred to as a “Phase I” environmental site assessment and are generally satisfied with the environmental status of the property. A Phase I environmental site assessment basically consists of a visual survey of the building and the property in an attempt to identify areas of potential environmental concerns, visually observing neighboring properties to assess surface conditions or activities that may have an adverse environmental impact on the property, and contacting local governmental agency personnel and performing a regulatory agency file search in an attempt to determine any known environmental concerns in the immediate vicinity of the property. A Phase I environmental site assessment does not generally include any sampling or testing of soil, groundwater or building materials from the property. With respect to international investments, we will seek to obtain an environmental assessment that is customary in the location where the property is being acquired.

Generally, sellers engage and pay third party brokers or finders in connection with the sale of an asset. However, although we do not expect to do so on a regular basis, we may from time to time compensate third party brokers or finders in connection with our acquisitions.

We may enter into arrangements with the seller or developer of a property whereby the seller or developer agrees that, if during a stated period the property does not generate a specified cash flow, the seller or developer will pay in cash to us a sum necessary to reach the specified cash flow level, subject in some cases to negotiated dollar limitations. In determining whether to purchase a particular property, we may, in accordance with customary practices, obtain an option on such property. The amount paid for an option, if any, is normally surrendered if the property is not purchased and is normally credited against the purchase price if the property is purchased. In purchasing, leasing and developing properties, we will be subject to risks generally incident to the ownership of real estate.
Multifamily and Mixed-Use Properties; Development Projects. We may acquire and develop multifamily and mixed-use properties, as well as development projects, for rental operations as apartment buildings and/or for conversion into condominiums. We define development projects to include a range of activities from major renovation and lease-up of existing buildings to ground up construction. In each case, these multifamily, mixed-use and development communities will meet our investment objectives and may include conventional multifamily rental properties, such as mid-rise, high-rise, and garden-style properties, as well as student housing and age-restricted properties (typically requiring at least one resident of each unit to be 55 or older). Specifically, we may acquire multifamily assets that may benefit from enhancement or repositioning and development assets. We may purchase any type of residential property, including properties that require capital improvement or lease-up to enhance shareholder returns. Location, condition, design and amenities are key characteristics for apartment communities and condominiums. We will focus on major metropolitan areas and other markets and submarkets that are deemed likely to benefit from ongoing population shifts and/or that are poised for high growth potential.

The terms and conditions of any apartment lease that we enter into with our residents may vary substantially; however, we expect that a majority of our leases will be standardized leases customarily used between landlords and residents for the specific type and use of the property in the geographic area where the property is located. In the case of apartment communities, such standardized leases generally have terms of one year or less. All prospective residents for our apartment communities will be required to submit a credit application.

Office Properties. We may acquire and develop office properties for rental operations. In each case, these office properties will meet our investment objectives and may include low-rise, mid-rise and high-rise office buildings and office parks in urban and suburban locations, especially those that are in or near central business districts or have access to transportation. Specifically, we may acquire office properties that may benefit from enhancement or repositioning and development assets. We may purchase any type of office property, including properties that require capital improvement or lease-up to enhance shareholder returns. Location, condition, design and amenities are key characteristics for office properties. We will focus on major metropolitan areas and other markets and submarkets that are poised for high growth potential.

The terms and conditions of any office lease that we enter into with our tenants may vary substantially; however, we expect that a majority of our leases will be standardized leases customarily used between landlords and tenants for the specific type and use of the property in the geographic area where the property is located. All prospective tenants for our office properties will be required to submit a credit application.

Retail Properties. We may acquire and develop office properties for rental operations. In each case, these retail properties will meet our investment objectives and may include malls, power centers, strip centers, urban retail, and single tenant properties with credit or non-credit tenants. Specifically, we may acquire retail properties that may benefit from enhancement or repositioning and development assets. We may purchase any type of retail property, including properties that require capital improvement or lease-up to enhance shareholder returns. Location, condition, design and amenities are key characteristics for retail properties. We will focus on major metropolitan areas and other markets and submarkets that are poised for high growth potential.

The terms and conditions of any retail lease that we enter into with our tenants may vary substantially; however, we expect that a majority of our leases will be standardized leases customarily used between landlords and tenants for the specific type and use of the property in the geographic area where the property is located. All prospective tenants for our retail properties will be required to submit a credit application.

Industrial Properties. We may acquire and develop industrial properties for rental operations. In each case, these industrial properties will meet our investment objectives and may include warehouse and distribution facilities, office/warehouse flex properties, research and development properties and light industrial properties. Specifically, we may acquire industrial properties that may benefit from enhancement or repositioning and development assets. We may purchase any type of industrial property, including properties that require capital improvement or lease-up to enhance shareholder returns. Location and condition are key characteristics for industrial properties. We will focus on major metropolitan areas and other markets and submarkets that are poised for high growth potential.
The terms and conditions of any industrial lease that we enter into with our tenants may vary substantially; however, we expect that a majority of our leases will be standardized leases customarily used between landlords and tenants for the specific type and use of the property in the geographic area where the property is located. All prospective tenants for our industrial properties will be required to submit a credit application.

**Joint Venture Investments.** We are likely to enter into joint ventures, partnerships, tenant-in-common investments or other co-ownership arrangements with third parties as well as entities affiliated with our sponsor for the acquisition, development or improvement of properties for the purpose of diversifying our portfolio of assets. We may also enter into joint ventures, partnerships, co-tenancies and other co-ownership arrangements or participations with real estate developers, owners and other third parties for the purpose of developing, owning and operating real properties. A joint venture creates an alignment of interest with a private source of capital for the benefit of our shareholders, by leveraging our acquisition, development and management expertise in order to achieve the following four primary objectives: (1) increase the return on invested capital; (2) diversify our access to equity capital; (3) “leverage” invested capital to promote our brand and increase market share; and (4) obtain the participation of sophisticated partners in our real estate decisions. In determining whether to invest in a particular joint venture, our Manager’s investment committee will evaluate the real property that such joint venture owns or is being formed to own under the same criteria described elsewhere in this offering circular for our selection of real property investments.

**Commercial Real Estate Loans**

We intend to acquire commercial real estate loans related to commercial real estate properties and development projects by directly originating the loans and by purchasing them from third party sellers. Although we generally prefer the benefits of direct origination, the current market conditions have created situations where holders of commercial real estate debt may be in distress and are therefore willing to sell at prices that compensate the buyer for the lack of control typically associated with directly structured investments. The experience of our Manager’s management team in making distressed investments greatly enhances our capabilities in this area.

Our primary focus will be to originate and invest in the following types of commercial real estate loans:

**Senior Mortgage Loans.** We intend to invest in senior mortgage loans that are predominantly three to five year term loans providing capital for the acquisition, refinancing or repositioning of quality commercial real estate properties and development projects and may be fixed or floating rate loans that immediately provide us with current income, which we refer to as current-pay loans. We expect that our senior mortgage loans will be primarily backed by properties located in the U.S. We expect to invest in senior mortgage loans with low loan-to-value ratios. We may selectively syndicate portions of these loans, including senior or junior participations that will effectively provide permanent financing or optimize returns which may include interest-only portions.

Senior mortgage loans provide for a higher recovery rate and lower defaults than other debt positions due to the lender’s favorable control features which at times means control of the entire capital structure. Because of these attributes, this type of investment receives favorable treatment from third party rating agencies and financing sources, which should increase the liquidity of these investments.

**Subordinated Mortgage Loans, or B-Notes.** We may also invest in structurally subordinated first mortgage loans and junior participations in first mortgage loans or participations in these types of assets, commonly referred to as B-Notes, secured by quality commercial real estate properties and development projects primarily located in the U.S. We may create subordinated mortgage loans by creating participations of our directly originated first mortgage loans generally through syndications of senior interests or co-origination with a senior lender or we may buy such assets directly from third party originators. Further, we expect that the re-emergence of the CMBS market will allow us to originate first mortgage loans to property owners with near-term liquidity issues and will allow us to contribute the senior AAA rated proceeds of the origination for inclusion in securitizations while retaining the subordinate debt at attractive returns. Due to the current credit market weakness and resulting dearth of capital available in this part of the capital structure, we believe that the opportunities to both directly originate and to buy subordinated mortgage investments from third parties on favorable terms will continue to be attractive.
Investors in subordinated mortgage loans are compensated for the increased risk of such assets from a pricing perspective as compared to first mortgage loans but still benefit from a lien on the related property. Investors typically receive principal and interest payments at the same time as senior debt unless a default occurs, in which case these payments are made only after any senior debt is paid in full. Rights of holders of subordinated mortgage loans are usually governed by participation and other agreements that, subject to certain limitations, typically provide the holders with the ability to cure certain defaults and control certain decisions of holders of senior debt secured by the same properties (or otherwise exercise the right to purchase the senior debt), which provides for additional downside protection and higher recoveries.

**Mezzanine Loans.** These are loans secured by one or more direct or indirect ownership interests in an entity that directly or indirectly owns commercial real property. We may own mezzanine loans directly or we may hold a participation in a mezzanine loan or a sub-participation in a mezzanine loan. Mezzanine loans may be either short (three to five year) or longer (up to 10 year) terms and may be fixed or floating rate. These loans are predominantly current-pay loans (although there may be a portion of the interest that accrues if cash flow generated by the related property is not sufficient to pay current interest) and may provide for participation in the value or cash flow appreciation of the underlying property, which participation is known as an “equity kicker” as described below. We believe that opportunities to both directly originate and to buy mezzanine loans from third parties on favorable terms will continue to be attractive. In the current market, mezzanine loans can be the key piece of capital to bridge the gap between senior debt and borrower equity during a refinance or acquisition. Therefore, we expect to achieve favorable terms — both economic and structural — on the mezzanine loans in which we invest.

Investors in mezzanine loans are compensated for the increased risk of such assets from a pricing perspective and still benefit from the right to foreclose, in many instances more efficiently than senior mortgage debt. Upon a default by the borrower under the mezzanine loan, the mezzanine lender generally can take control on an expedited basis of the property-owning entity, subject to the rights of the holders of debt senior in priority on the property. Rights of holders of mezzanine loans are usually governed by intercreditor or interlender agreements that provide such holders with the right to cure certain defaults and control certain decisions of holders of any senior debt secured by the same properties (or otherwise exercise the right to purchase the senior debt), which provides for additional downside protection and higher recoveries.

Nonetheless, these types of investments involve a higher degree of risk relative to a senior mortgage secured by the underlying real property because the investment may become unsecured as a result of foreclosure by the senior lender if the mezzanine lender is unable to cure senior mortgage defaults. In the event of a bankruptcy of the entity providing the pledge of its ownership interests as security, we may not have full recourse to the assets of such entity, or the assets of the entity may not be sufficient to satisfy the mezzanine loan. If a borrower defaults on our mezzanine loans or debt senior to our loan, or in the event of a borrower bankruptcy, our mezzanine loan will be satisfied only after the senior debt has been repaid.

**Commercial Real Estate-Related Debt Securities**

In addition to our focus on origination of and investments in equity interests and debt where the underlying properties consist primarily of commercial real estate properties and development projects, we may also invest in commercial real estate-related debt securities such as CMBS, CDOs, unsecured debt issued by REITs and interests in other securitized vehicles that own real estate-related debt. While we may invest in any commercial real estate-related debt securities, we expect that the majority of these investments would be CMBS.

**CMBS.** CMBS are commercial mortgages which are pooled together in a trust. Accordingly, these securities are subject to all of the risks of the underlying mortgage loans. The commercial mortgage security is structured with credit enhancement to protect against potential cash flow delays and shortfalls. This credit enhancement usually takes the form of allocation of loan losses to investors in reverse sequential order (equity to AAA classes), whereas interest distributions and loan prepayments are usually applied sequentially (AAA classes to equity).
The typical commercial mortgage is a five or ten year loan, with a 30-year amortization schedule and a balloon principal payment due on the maturity date. Most fixed-rate commercial loans have strong prepayment protection and require prepayment penalty fees or defeasance. The loans are structured in this manner to maintain the collateral pool’s cash flow or to compensate the investors from foregone interest collections.

**CDOs.** CDOs are multiple class debt securities, or bonds, secured by pools of assets, such as mortgage-backed securities, B-Notes, mezzanine loans, REIT debt and credit default swaps. Like typical securities structures, in a CDO, the assets are pledged to a trustee for the benefit of the holders of the bonds. CDOs often have reinvestment periods that typically last for five years during which proceeds from the sale of a collateral asset may be invested in substitute collateral. Upon termination of the reinvestment period, the static pool functions very similarly to a CMBS securitization where repayment of principal allows for redemption of bonds sequentially.

**Publicly-Traded REIT Securities.** We may also choose to invest in senior unsecured debt securities of publicly-traded equity REITs. Publicly-traded equity REITs typically own large, diversified pools of commercial real estate properties and employ moderate leverage. Most of these companies specialize in particular property types such as regional malls, office properties, apartment properties and industrial warehouses. Corporate bonds issued by these types of REITs are usually rated investment grade and benefit from strong covenant protection.

**Ratings of Commercial Real Estate-Related Debt Securities.** For CMBS and CDOs, the securitization process is governed by one or more of the rating agencies, including Fitch, Moody’s and Standard & Poor’s, who determine the respective bond class sizes, generally based on a sequential payment structure. Bonds that are rated from AAA to BBB by the rating agencies are considered “investment grade.” Bond classes that are subordinate to the BBB class are considered “non-investment” grade. The respective bond class sizes are determined based on the review of the underlying collateral by the rating agencies. The payments received from the underlying loans are used to make the payments on the securities. Based on the sequential payment priority, the risk of nonpayment for the AAA securities is lower than the risk of nonpayment for the non-investment grade bonds. Accordingly, the AAA class is typically sold at a lower yield compared to the non-investment grade classes that are sold at higher yields. We may invest in investment grade classes, non-investment grade classes or the equity of securitizations.

**Other Possible Investments**

Although we expect that most of our investments will be of the types described above, we may make other investments, such as international investments. In fact, we may invest in whatever types of interests in real estate- or debt-related assets that we believe are in our best interests. Although we can purchase any type of interest in real estate- or debt-related assets, our conflicts of interest policy and operating agreement do limit certain types of investments involving our Manager, our sponsor, their officers or any of their affiliates. See “Conflicts of Interest—Certain Conflict Resolution Measures.”

**Investment Process**

Our Manager has the authority to make all the decisions regarding our investments consistent with the investment guidelines and borrowing policies approved by our Manager’s investment committee and subject to the limitations in our operating agreement and the direction and oversight of our Manager’s investment committee. Our Manager’s investment committee must approve all investments other than investments in commercial real estate and development assets, including commercial real estate equity, commercial real estate debt securities and commercial real estate loans. With respect to investments in commercial real estate, our Manager’s investment committee intends to adopt investment guidelines that our Manager must follow when acquiring such assets on our behalf without the approval of our Manager’s investment committee. We will not, however, purchase or lease assets in which our Manager, any of our officers or any of their affiliates has an interest without a determination by the Independent Representative that such transaction is fair and reasonable to us and at a price to us that is not materially greater than the cost of the asset to the affiliated seller or lessor. In the event that two or more members of the investment committee are interested parties in a transaction, the Independent Representative will consider and vote upon the approval of the transaction. Our Manager’s investment committee will formally review at a duly called meeting our investment guidelines on an annual basis and our investment portfolio on a quarterly basis or, in each case, more often as they deem appropriate. Changes to our investment guidelines must be approved by our Manager’s investment committee.
Our Manager will focus on the direct origination, sourcing, acquisition, select purchasing, and management of investments in commercial real estate and development projects, including commercial real estate equity, commercial real estate debt securities and commercial real estate loans. It will source our investments from new or existing customers, former and current financing and investment partners, third party intermediaries, competitors looking to share risk and investment, securitization or lending departments of major financial institutions.

In selecting investments for us, our Manager will utilize our sponsor’s established investment and underwriting process, which focuses on ensuring that each prospective investment is being evaluated appropriately. The criteria that our Manager will consider when evaluating prospective investment opportunities include:

- macroeconomic conditions that may influence operating performance;
- real estate market factors that may influence real estate valuations, real estate lending and/or economic performance of real estate generally;
- fundamental analysis of the real estate, including tenant rosters, lease terms, zoning, operating costs and the asset’s overall competitive position in its market;
- the operating expertise and financial strength of the sponsor or borrower;
- real estate and leasing market conditions affecting the real estate;
- the cash flow in place and projected to be in place over the expected hold period of the real estate;
- the appropriateness of estimated costs and timing associated with capital improvements of the real estate;
- a valuation of the investment, investment basis relative to its value and the ability to liquidate an investment through a sale or refinancing of the real estate;
- review of third-party reports, including appraisals, engineering and environmental reports;
- physical inspections of the real estate and analysis of markets; and
- the overall structure of the investment and rights in the transaction documentation.

If a potential investment meets our Manager’s underwriting criteria, our Manager will review the proposed transaction structure, including, with respect to joint ventures, distribution and waterfall criteria, governance and control rights, buy-sell provisions and recourse provisions. With respect to commercial real estate loans, our Manager will review the proposed transaction structure, including security, reserve requirements, cash flow sweeps, call protection, and recourse provisions. Our Manager will evaluate the asset’s position within the overall capital structure and its rights in relation to other partners or capital tranches. Our Manager will analyze each potential investment’s risk-return profile and review financing sources, if applicable, to ensure that the investment fits within the parameters of financing facilities and to ensure performance of the real estate asset or underlying real estate collateral.

**Borrowing Policy**

We believe that our sponsor’s ability to obtain both competitive interim and term financings and its relationships with top tier financial institutions should allow our Manager to successfully employ moderate levels of borrowing in order to enhance our returns to shareholders. Although our investment strategy is not contingent on financing our assets in the capital markets, our sponsor’s past experience and ability in structuring and managing match-funded, flexible term debt facilities and securitization vehicles should provide our Manager with an advantage in potentially obtaining conservatively structured term financing for many of our investments, to the extent available, through capital markets and other financing transactions, including allowing our Company to be among the first to access the capital markets when conditions permit.
We intend to employ leverage in order to provide more funds available for investment. We believe that careful use of conservatively structured leverage will help us to achieve our diversification goals and potentially enhance the returns on our investments. We expect that once we have fully invested the proceeds of this offering, our debt financing, on a portfolio-wide basis, will be between 50%-85% of the greater of the cost (before deducting depreciation or other non-cash reserves) or fair market value of our assets, although it may exceed this level during our offering stage. Our Manager may from time to time modify our leverage policy in its discretion. However, other than during our initial period of operations, it is our policy to not borrow more than 85% of the greater of cost (before deducting depreciation or other non-cash reserves) or fair market value of our assets. We cannot exceed the leverage limit of our leverage policy unless any excess in borrowing over such level is approved by our Manager’s investment committee.

Operating Policies

Credit Risk Management. We may be exposed to various levels of credit and special hazard risk depending on the nature of our assets and the nature and level of credit enhancements supporting our assets. Our Manager and its executive officers will review and monitor credit risk and other risks of loss associated with each investment. In addition, we will seek to diversify our portfolio of assets to avoid undue geographic, issuer, industry and certain other types of concentrations. Our Manager’s investment committee will monitor the overall portfolio risk and levels of provision for loss.

Interest Rate Risk Management. To the extent consistent with maintaining our qualification as a REIT, we will follow an interest rate risk management policy intended to mitigate the negative effects of major interest rate changes. We intend to minimize our interest rate risk from borrowings by attempting to “match-fund,” which means our Manager will seek to structure the key terms of our borrowings to generally correspond with the expected holding period of our assets and their underlying leases and through hedging activities.

Hedging Activities. We may engage in hedging transactions to protect our investment portfolio and variable rate leverage from interest rate fluctuations and other changes in market conditions. These transactions may include interest rate swaps, the purchase or sale of interest rate collars, caps or floors, options, mortgage derivatives and other hedging instruments. These instruments may be used to hedge as much of the interest rate risk as we determine is in the best interest of our shareholders, given the cost of such hedges and the need to maintain our qualification as a REIT. We may from time to time enter into interest rate swap agreements to offset the potential adverse effects of rising interest rates under certain short-term repurchase agreements. We may elect to bear a level of interest rate risk that could otherwise be hedged when our Manager believes, based on all relevant facts, that bearing such risk is advisable or economically unavoidable.

Equity Capital Policies. Under our operating agreement, we have authority to issue an unlimited number of additional common shares or other securities. In particular, our Manager is authorized to provide for the issuance of an unlimited amount of one or more classes or series of shares in our Company, including preferred shares, and to fix the number of shares, the relative powers, preferences and rights, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions applicable to each class or series thereof by resolution authorizing the issuance of such class or series, without shareholder approval. After your purchase in this offering, our Manager may elect to: (i) sell additional shares in this or future public offerings, (ii) issue equity interests in private offerings or (iii) issue shares to our Manager, or its successors or assigns, in payment of an outstanding fee obligation. To the extent we issue additional equity interests after your purchase in this offering, your percentage ownership interest in us will be diluted. In addition, depending upon the terms and pricing of any additional offerings and the value of our investments, you may also experience dilution in the book value and fair value of your shares.

Disposition Policies

As each of our investments reach what we believe to be its optimum value during the expected life of our Company, we will consider disposing of the investment and may do so for the purpose of either distributing the net sale proceeds to our shareholders or investing the proceeds in other assets that we believe may produce a higher overall future return to our shareholders. We anticipate that any such dispositions typically would occur during the period within approximately five years from the termination of this offering (subject to pursuing alternative means of providing liquidity). However, in accordance with our investment objective of achieving maximum capital appreciation, we may sell a particular property or other asset before or after this anticipated holding period if, in the judgment of our Manager’s investment committee, selling the asset is in our best interest. The determination of when a particular investment should be sold or otherwise disposed of will be made after consideration of relevant factors, including prevailing and projected economic conditions, whether the value of the property or other investment is anticipated to decline substantially, whether we could apply the proceeds from the sale of the asset to make other investments consistent with our investment objectives, whether disposition of the asset would allow us to increase cash flow, and whether the sale of the asset would constitute a prohibited transaction under the Code or would impact our status as a REIT. Our ability to dispose of property during the first few years following its
acquisition is restricted to a substantial extent as a result of our REIT status. Under applicable provisions of the Code regarding
prohibited transactions by REITs, a REIT that sells a property, other than foreclosure property, that is deemed to be inventory or
property held primarily for sale in the ordinary course of business is deemed a “dealer” with respect to any such property and is subject
to a 100% penalty tax on the net income from any such transaction unless the sale qualifies for a statutory safe harbor from application
of the 100% tax. As a result, our Manager will attempt to structure any disposition of our properties with respect to which our Manager
believes we could be viewed as a dealer in a manner to avoid this penalty tax through reliance on the safe harbor available under the
Code or through the use of a TRS. See “U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations—Taxation of Our Company.” Alternatively, the risk
of incurring the 100% tax may require the Manager to forgo an otherwise attractive sale opportunity.
When we determine to sell a particular property or other investment, we will seek to achieve a selling price that maximizes the capital appreciation for investors based on then-current market conditions. We cannot assure you that this objective will be realized. The selling price of a leased office, retail or industrial property will be determined in large part by the amount of rent payable by the tenants. With respect to apartment communities, the selling price will be determined in large part by the amount of rent payable by the residents. When determining the selling price of other types of real estate assets, such as hospitality and recreation and leisure properties, we will consider such factors as expected future cash flow from the properties as well as industry-specific information. The terms of payment will be affected by custom in the area in which the property being sold is located and the then prevailing economic conditions.

Depending upon then prevailing market conditions, and subject to our consideration of alternative liquidity events, it is our intention to consider beginning the process of liquidating our assets and distributing the net proceeds to our shareholders within approximately five years after the termination of this offering. However, our Manager may determine to defer such liquidation beyond the fifth anniversary of the termination of this offering.

Market conditions, our status as a REIT and other factors could cause us to delay the commencement of our liquidation or other liquidity event. Even after we decide to liquidate, we are under no obligation to conclude our liquidation within a set time because the timing of the sale of our assets will depend on real estate and financial markets, economic conditions of the areas in which the properties are located and U.S. federal income tax effects on shareholders that may prevail in the future, and we cannot assure you that we will be able to liquidate our assets. After commencing a liquidation, we would continue in existence until all properties are sold and our other assets are liquidated. In general, the U.S. federal income tax rules applicable to REITs will require us to complete our liquidation within 24 months following our adoption of a plan of liquidation. Compliance with this 24 month requirement could require us to sell assets at unattractive prices, distribute unsold assets to a “liquidating trust” with potentially unfavorable tax consequences for our shareholders, or terminate our status as a REIT.

Liquidity Event

Subject to then existing market conditions, we may consider alternatives to our liquidation as a means for providing liquidity to our shareholders within approximately five years from the completion of this offering. While we expect to seek a liquidity transaction in this time frame, there can be no assurance that a suitable transaction will be available or that market conditions for a transaction will be favorable during that time frame. Our Manager has the discretion to consider a liquidity transaction at any time if it determines such event to be in our best interests. A liquidity transaction could consist of a sale or partial sale of our assets, a sale or merger of our Company, a consolidation transaction with other companies managed by our Manager or its affiliates, a listing of our shares on a national securities exchange or a similar transaction. We do not have a stated term, as we believe setting a finite date for a possible, but uncertain future liquidity transaction may result in actions that are not necessarily in the best interest or within the expectations of our shareholders.
Prior to our completion of a liquidity transaction, our redemption plan may provide an opportunity for you to have your common shares redeemed, subject to certain restrictions and limitations. See “Description of our Common Shares — Redemption Plan.”

PLAN OF OPERATION

General

We were recently formed as a Delaware limited liability company to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio of assets primarily consisting of investments in commercial real estate and development projects, with such investments consisting of equity interests in such properties or debt, as well as commercial real estate loans, commercial real estate debt securities (including CMBS, CDOs, and REIT senior unsecured debt) and other select real estate-related assets, where the underlying assets primarily consist of such properties. We define development projects to include a range of activities from major renovation and lease-up of existing buildings to ground up construction. We may make our investments through majority-owned subsidiaries, some of which may have rights to receive preferred economic returns. As of the date of this offering circular, we have not commenced operations nor have we identified any investments in which there is a reasonable probability that we will invest.

Fundrise Advisors, LLC is our Manager. As our Manager, it will manage our day-to-day operations and our portfolio of commercial real estate equity investments, commercial real estate loans, and other select real estate-related assets. Our Manager also has the authority to make all of the decisions regarding our investments, subject to the limitation in our operating agreement and the direction and oversight of our Manager’s investment committee. Our sponsor will also provide asset management, marketing, investor relations and other administrative services on our behalf.

We intend to make an election to be taxed as a REIT under the Code, commencing with our taxable year ending December 31, 2020. If we qualify as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, we generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax to the extent we distribute qualifying dividends to our shareholders. If we fail to qualify as a REIT in any taxable year after electing REIT status, we will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on our taxable income at regular corporate income tax rates and generally will not be permitted to qualify for treatment as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes for four years following the year in which our qualification is denied. Such an event could materially and adversely affect our net income and cash available for distribution. However, we believe that we will be organized and will operate in a manner that will enable us to qualify for treatment as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes commencing with our taxable year ending December 31, 2020, and we intend to continue to operate so as to remain qualified as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes thereafter.

Competition

Our net income depends, in large part, on our ability to source, acquire and manage investments with attractive risk-adjusted yields. We compete with many other entities engaged in real estate investment activities, including individuals, corporations, bank and insurance company investment accounts, other REITs, private real estate funds, and other entities engaged in real estate investment activities as well as online lending platforms that compete with the Fundrise Platform, many of which have greater financial resources and lower costs of capital available to them than we have. In addition, there are numerous REITs with asset acquisition objectives similar to ours, and others may be organized in the future, which may increase competition for the investments suitable for us. Competitive variables include market presence and visibility, amount of capital to be invested per project and underwriting standards. To the extent that a competitor is willing to risk larger amounts of capital in a particular transaction or to employ more liberal underwriting standards when evaluating potential investments than we are, our investment volume and profit margins for our investment portfolio could be impacted. Our competitors may also be willing to accept lower returns on their investments and may succeed in buying the assets that we have targeted for acquisition. Although we believe that we are well positioned to compete effectively in each facet of our business, there is enormous competition in our market sector and there can be no assurance that we will compete effectively or that we will not encounter increased competition in the future that could limit our ability to conduct our business effectively.
Liquidity and Capital Resources

We are dependent upon the net proceeds from this offering to conduct our proposed operations. We will obtain the capital required to purchase and originate real estate-related investments and conduct our operations from the proceeds of this offering and any future offerings we may conduct, from secured or unsecured financings from banks and other lenders and from any undistributed funds from our operations. As of the date of this offering circular, we have not made any investments, and our total assets consist of approximately $5,000 in cash, plus a commitment from Fundrise, L.P. to purchase $10,000 of our common shares on a date no later than ten (10) days after we begin to accept subscriptions to this offering. For information regarding the anticipated use of proceeds from this offering, see “Estimated Use of Proceeds.”

If we are unable to raise a substantial amount in gross offering proceeds, we will make fewer investments resulting in less diversification in terms of the type, number and size of investments we make and the value of an investment in us will fluctuate with the performance of the specific assets we acquire. Further, we will have certain fixed operating expenses, including certain expenses as a publicly offered REIT, regardless of whether we are able to raise substantial funds in this offering. Our inability to raise substantial funds would increase our fixed operating expenses as a percentage of gross income, reducing our net income and limiting our ability to make distributions.

We currently have no outstanding debt and have not received a commitment from any lender to provide us with financing. Our targeted portfolio-wide leverage after we have acquired an initial substantial portfolio of diversified investments is between 50%-85% of the greater of the cost (before deducting depreciation or other non-cash reserves) or fair market value of our assets. During the period when we are acquiring our initial portfolio, we may employ greater leverage on individual assets (that will also result in greater leverage of the interim portfolio) in order to quickly build a diversified portfolio of assets. Our Manager may from time to time modify our leverage policy in its discretion in light of then-current economic conditions, relative costs of debt and equity capital, market values of our assets, general conditions in the market for debt and equity securities, growth and acquisition opportunities or other factors. However, other than during our initial period of operations, it is our policy to not borrow more than 85% of the greater of cost (before deducting depreciation or other non-cash reserves) or fair market value of our assets. We cannot exceed the leverage limit of our leverage policy unless any excess in borrowing over such level is approved by our Manager’s investment committee.

In addition to making investments in accordance with our investment objectives, we expect to use our capital resources to make payments to our Manager. During our organization and offering stage, these payments will include payments for reimbursement of certain organization and offering expenses. During our acquisition and development stage, we expect to make payments to our Manager in connection with the management of our assets and costs incurred by our Manager in providing services to us. For a discussion of the compensation to be paid to our Manager, see “Management Compensation.”

We intend to elect to be taxed as a REIT and to operate as a REIT commencing with our taxable year ending December 31, 2020. To maintain our qualification as a REIT, we will be required to make aggregate annual distributions to our shareholders of at least 90% of our REIT taxable income (computed without regard to the dividends paid deduction and excluding net capital gain), and to avoid federal income and excise taxes on retained taxable income and gains we must distribute 100% of such income and gains annually. Our Manager may authorize distributions in excess of those required for us to maintain REIT status and/or avoid such taxes on retained taxable income and gains depending on our financial condition and such other factors as our Manager deems relevant. Provided we have sufficient available cash flow, we intend to authorize and declare distributions based on daily record dates and pay distributions on a quarterly or other periodic basis. We have not established a minimum distribution level.
Related Party Loans

If we have sufficient funds to acquire only a portion of a real estate investment then, in order to cover the shortfall, we may obtain a related party loan from, or issue a participation interest to, an affiliate. Our operating agreement expressly authorizes us to enter into such related party loans and to issue such participation interests. Each related party loan and participation interest will be an unsecured obligation of ours, that is payable solely to the extent that such related party loan or participation interest remains outstanding. As we sell additional common shares in this offering, we will use the proceeds of such sales to pay down the principal and interest of any related party loan or the principal of the outstanding participation interests, as appropriate, reducing the payment obligation of such related party loan or participation interest, and our obligation to the holder of such related party loan or participation interest. We may also utilize related party loans, from time to time, as a form of leverage to acquire real estate assets.

In instances where a participation interest is outstanding, payments of the participation interest will be pari passu (i.e., of equal seniority) to our right to payment from the underlying asset, and any payments received from the underlying asset will be subsequently distributed pro rata (i.e., in equal proportion to their proportionate interest) among us and the participation interest holder. In the event that we sell a sufficient number of common shares through this offering to fully extinguish the principal of an outstanding participation interest, we will repay the participation interest, and, other than any accrued but unpaid return due to it from the underlying asset, the holder of the participation interest will no longer hold any obligation of ours with regard to payment. It is anticipated that each participation interest will have a varying return that is dependent upon, and will generally be identical to, the projected return on the underlying asset.

As an alternative means of acquiring investments for which we do not yet have sufficient funds, an affiliate may close and fund a real estate investment prior to it being acquired by us. This ability to warehouse investments allows us the flexibility to deploy our offering proceeds as funds are raised. We may then acquire such investment at a price equal to the fair market value of such investment, which, for commercial real estate loans, will generally equal the cost of the investment (including reimbursement for servicing fees); however, for real property investments, such acquisition will be at a price equal to fair market value, provided that its fair market value is materially equal to its cost (i.e., the aggregate equity capital invested by an affiliate in connection with the acquisition and during the warehousing of such investments, plus assumption of debt and any costs, such as accrued property management fees and transfer taxes, incurred during or as a result of the warehousing or, with respect to debt, the principal balance plus accrued interest net of any applicable special servicing expenses).

Results of Operations

We were formed on June 4, 2019 and, as of the date of this offering circular, we have not commenced operations.

Market Outlook — Real Estate Finance Markets

We are encouraged by continued improvement in commercial real estate capital and credit markets, as well as the positive macroeconomic growth supporting the commercial real estate industry. As we look ahead to the next three years, we believe improving fundamentals, transactions, and commercial real estate lending activities will continue to strengthen in core United States metro markets. We also expect the trend of high foreign direct investment in United States markets and real estate assets to continue. Further, assistance provided by governmental support programs and commitments over the immediate future are expected to further support U.S. capital markets over the immediate future.

If markets continue to strengthen, the competition for risk-adjusted yield will become increasingly fierce. We believe the Fundrise Platform provides us with a competitive edge in searching for value and attractive opportunities across wider markets and property types during a period of increased competition. Additionally, innovative funding options and quicker closing timelines from our sponsor allow for greater financing availability in a period of rising competition amongst capital providers.
However, risks related to interest rate hikes and regulatory uncertainty could adversely affect growth and the values of our investments. In the event market fundamentals deteriorate, our real estate portfolio or the collateral security in any loan investment we make may be impaired as a result of lower occupancy, lower rental rates, and/or declining values. Further, these circumstances may materially impact the cost and availability of credit to borrowers, hampering the ability of our Manager to acquire new loans or investments with attractive risk-reward dynamics.

The current interest rate environment provides an unusual opportunity to borrow at historically low interest rates. As a protective measure against interest rate fluctuations and regulatory uncertainty, the Company intends to focus on purchasing commercial real estate properties with stable income, which typically would allow the Manager to secure long-term, fixed rate debt on the property at historically attractive terms, thereby mitigating interest rate risk. In terms of commercial real estate loans, we are targeting an average investment duration of two to four years for greater flexibility and adaptability during times of interest rate volatility or regulatory uncertainty. Our ability to quickly adapt is further aided by the more direct and “just-in-time” nature of our capital sourcing cycle.

Over the short term, management remains cautiously optimistic about the opportunity to acquire loans and investments offering attractive risk-adjusted returns in our targeted investment markets. However, we recognize disruptions in financial markets can occur at any time. By targeting modest leverage and short target investment durations, we believe we will remain well positioned, as compared to our competitors, in the event current market dynamics deteriorate.

Investment Company Act Considerations

We intend to conduct our operations so that neither we, nor any of our subsidiaries, is required to register as investment companies under the Investment Company Act. Section 3(a)(1)(A) of the Investment Company Act defines an investment company as any issuer that is or holds itself out as being engaged primarily in the business of investing, reinvesting or trading in securities. Section 3(a)(1)(C) of the Investment Company Act defines an investment company as any issuer that is engaged or proposes to engage in the business of investing, reinvesting, owning, holding or trading in securities and owns or proposes to acquire investment securities having a value exceeding 40% of the value of the issuer’s total assets (exclusive of U.S. Government securities and cash items) on an unconsolidated basis, which we refer to as the 40% test. Excluded from the term “investment securities,” among other things, are U.S. Government securities and securities issued by majority-owned subsidiaries that are not themselves investment companies and are not relying on the exception from the definition of investment company set forth in Section 3(c)(1) or Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

We anticipate that we will hold real estate and real estate-related assets described below (i) directly, (ii) through wholly-owned subsidiaries, (iii) through majority-owned joint venture subsidiaries, and, (iv) to a lesser extent, through minority-owned joint venture subsidiaries.

We expect to use substantially all of the net proceeds from this offering (after paying or reimbursing organization and offering expenses) to invest in and manage a diversified portfolio of assets primarily consisting of investments in commercial real estate and development projects, with such investments consisting of equity interests in such properties or debt, as well as commercial real estate loans, commercial real estate debt securities (including CMBS, CDOs, and REIT senior unsecured debt) and other select real estate-related assets, where the underlying assets primarily consist of such properties.

We will monitor our compliance with the 40% test and the holdings of our subsidiaries to ensure that each of our subsidiaries is in compliance with an applicable exemption or exclusion from registration as an investment company under the Investment Company Act. The securities issued by any wholly-owned or majority-owned subsidiary that we may form and that are excluded from the definition of “investment company” based on Section 3(c)(1) or 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act, together with any other investment securities we may own, may not have a value in excess of 40% of the value of our total assets on an unconsolidated basis.

In addition, we believe that neither we nor certain of our subsidiaries will be considered investment companies under Section 3(a)(1)(A) of the Investment Company Act because we and they will not engage primarily or hold themselves out as being engaged primarily in the business of investing, reinvesting or trading in securities. Rather, we and such subsidiaries will be primarily engaged in non-investment company businesses related to real estate. Consequently, we and our subsidiaries expect to be able to conduct our operations such that none will be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.
The determination of whether an entity is a majority-owned subsidiary of our Company is made by us. The Investment Company Act defines a majority-owned subsidiary of a person as a company 50% or more of the outstanding voting securities of which are owned by such person, or by another company which is a majority-owned subsidiary of such person. The Investment Company Act further defines voting securities as any security presently entitling the owner or holder thereof to vote for the election of directors of a company. We treat companies in which we own at least a majority of the outstanding voting securities as majority-owned subsidiaries. We also treat subsidiaries of which we or our wholly-owned or majority-owned subsidiary is the manager (in a manager-managed entity) or managing member (in a member-managed entity) or in which our agreement or the agreement of our wholly-owned or majority-owned subsidiary is required for all major decisions affecting the subsidiaries (referred to herein as “Controlled Subsidiaries”), as majority-owned subsidiaries even though none of the interests issued by such Controlled Subsidiaries meets the definition of voting securities under the Investment Company Act. We reached our conclusion on the basis that the interests issued by the Controlled Subsidiaries are the functional equivalent of voting securities. We have not asked the SEC staff for concurrence of our analysis, our treatment of such interests as voting securities, or whether the Controlled Subsidiaries, or any other of our subsidiaries, may be treated in the manner in which we intend, and it is possible that the SEC staff could disagree with any of our determinations. If the SEC staff were to disagree with our treatment of one or more companies as majority-owned subsidiaries, we would need to adjust our strategy and our assets. Any such adjustment in our strategy could have a material adverse effect on us.

Certain of our subsidiaries may also rely upon the exclusion from the definition of investment company under Section 3(c)(5)(C) of the Investment Company Act. Section 3(c)(5)(C), as interpreted by the staff of the SEC, requires an entity to invest at least 55% of its assets in “mortgages and other liens on and interests in real estate,” which we refer to as “qualifying real estate interests,” and at least 80% of its assets in qualifying real estate interests plus “real estate-related assets.”

In reliance on published SEC staff guidance, we intend to treat as “qualifying real estate interests” fee interests in real estate, mortgage loans fully secured by real estate, certain mezzanine loans and certain B-Notes. Commercial real estate-related debt securities (including CMBS, CDOs and REIT senior unsecured debt) will be treated as “real estate-related assets.”

On August 31, 2011, the SEC published a concept release entitled “Companies Engaged in the Business of Acquiring Mortgages and Mortgage Related Instruments” (Investment Company Act Rel. No. 29778). This release notes that the SEC is reviewing the Section 3(c)(5)(C) exclusion relied upon by companies similar to us that invest in mortgage loans. There can be no assurance that the laws and regulations governing the Investment Company Act status of companies similar to ours, or the guidance from the SEC or its staff regarding the treatment of assets as qualifying real estate assets or real estate-related assets, will not change in a manner that adversely affects our operations as a result of this review. To the extent that the SEC or its staff provides more specific guidance regarding any of the matters bearing upon our exclusion from the need to register under the Investment Company Act, we may be required to adjust our strategy accordingly. Any additional guidance from the SEC staff could provide additional flexibility to us, or it could further inhibit our ability to pursue the strategies that we have chosen.

The loss of our exclusion from regulation pursuant to the Investment Company Act could require us to restructure our operations, sell certain of our assets or abstain from the purchase of certain assets, which could have an adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Critical Accounting Policies

Our accounting policies will conform with GAAP. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP will require us to use judgment in the application of accounting policies, including making estimates and assumptions. These judgments may affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting periods. We intend to make these estimates and assumptions in an appropriate manner and in a way that accurately reflects our financial condition. We will continually test and evaluate our estimates and assumptions using our historical knowledge of the business, as well as other factors, to ensure that they are reasonable for reporting purposes. However, actual results may differ from our estimates and assumptions.
We believe our critical accounting policies govern the significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our financial statements. Please refer to Note 2—Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, included in our financial statements, for a more thorough discussion of our accounting policies and procedures.

**Accounting Pronouncements**

Under Section 107 of the JOBS Act, we are permitted to use the extended transition period provided in Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act for complying with new or revised accounting standards. This permits us to delay the adoption of certain accounting standards until those standards would otherwise apply to private companies. We have elected to use the extended transition period provided in Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act for complying with new or revised accounting standards that have different effective dates for public and private companies until the earlier of the date that we (i) are no longer an emerging growth company or (ii) affirmatively and irrevocably opt out of the extended transition period provided in Section 7(a)(2)(B). By electing to extend the transition period for complying with new or revised accounting standards, our consolidated financial statements may not be comparable to companies that adopt accounting standard updates upon the public business entity effective dates.

**PRIOR PERFORMANCE SUMMARY**

The information presented in this section represents the historical operating results for our sponsor and the experience of public real estate programs sponsored by our sponsor, which we refer to as the “prior public real estate programs.” Investors in our common shares should not assume that they will experience returns, if any, comparable to those experienced by investors in our sponsor’s affiliated prior public real estate programs. Investors who purchase our common shares will not thereby acquire any ownership interest in any of the entities to which the following information relates.

The returns to our shareholders will depend in part on the mix of assets in which we invest, the stage of investment and our place in the capital structure for our investments. As our portfolio may not mirror the portfolios of our sponsor’s affiliated prior public real estate programs, the returns to our shareholders may vary from those generated by our sponsor’s affiliated prior public real estate programs. In addition, our sponsor is a self-managed, privately-held company with an indefinite duration. As a result, you should not assume the past performance of our sponsor or the prior public real estate programs described below will be indicative of our future performance.

**Overview of Our Sponsor**

Our sponsor is a privately-held company that operates as a real estate investment and lending platform. Our sponsor was formed in March 2012 to (i) establish the online real estate funding vehicle that is today the Fundrise Platform and (ii) engage in the business of investing in and managing commercial real estate debt and commercial real estate equity securities. In April 2014, our sponsor closed its Series A funding round, pursuant to which it raised net proceeds of approximately $24.5 million. On January 31, 2017, our sponsor began an initial offering of shares of its class B common stock to the public via Regulation A. As of December 31, 2018, our sponsor had raised approximately $32.8 million through such Regulation A offering.

Our sponsor has ten (10) public programs as of December 31, 2018 (collectively, the “eDirect™ Programs”): (i) Income eREIT®, (ii) Growth eREIT®, (iii) West Coast eREIT®, (iv) East Coast eREIT®, (v) Heartland eREIT®, (vi) Income eREIT® II; (vii) Growth eREIT® II; (viii) DC Homes eFund™, (ix) LA Homes eFund™; and (x) National eFund™. For purposes of this prior performance summary, our sponsor views its prior public programs to consist of seven (7) eREITs® that had begun raising and deploying capital either during the year ended December 31, 2018, 2017, 2016 or 2015.

With respect to its eDirect™ programs, our sponsor’s primary investment objectives are similar to ours. Our sponsor seeks to produce attractive risk-adjusted returns by targeting debt and equity investments with significant potential value creation but below the radar of institutional-sized investors. In contrast, returns typically associated with core real estate properties in major gateway markets, and stabilized trophy assets have generally become over-priced in the pursuit of safety over value. We believe that our investment strategy, combined with the experience and expertise of our Manager’s management team, will provide opportunities to originate investments with attractive long-term equity returns and strong structural features with local, joint venture real estate companies, thereby taking advantage of changing market conditions in order to seek the best risk-return dynamic for our shareholders.
The profitability and performance of our sponsor’s business is a function of several metrics: (i) growth of assets under management; (ii) growth in the number of eDirect™ Programs listed on the Fundrise Platform; and (iii) overall returns realized on invested capital. The credit quality of our sponsor’s investments, the diversification of its portfolio and the underwriting and portfolio management capabilities of our sponsor’s management team, who also serve as our Manager’s management team, are additional key factors in the performance of our sponsor’s business. As of December 31, 2018, our sponsor had approximately $525 million in assets under management as a result of the eDirect™ Programs.

Our Sponsor’s Prior Public Investment Programs

Overview

The eREIT® Programs were launched in December 2015 with the qualification of the Regulation A offering of the Income eREIT®. Our sponsor and its affiliates are responsible for origination, due diligence, structuring, closing, acquiring, and asset management of all investments and loans made under the eDirect™ Programs. As of June 30, 2019, our sponsor facilitated or originated approximately 281 real estate assets through the various Fundrise Platform investment opportunities with aggregate purchase prices of approximately $3.9 billion, excluding 3 World Trade Center (we exclude this asset because while the amount of equity invested in the project was similar to other investments made by our sponsor, the aggregate purchase price of 3 World Trade Center was much greater relative to our sponsor’s other investments, and would greatly inflate the aggregate purchase price of the other assets disclosed). Of the $3.9 billion aggregate real estate purchase prices, our sponsor offered through the Fundrise Platform investment opportunities approximately $856 million, consisting of approximately $302 million of commercial real estate loan assets, $230 million of investments in commercial real estate (primarily through majority-owned subsidiaries with rights to receive preferred economic returns), and $324 million of commercial real estate common equity investments, including direct equity purchases. The portfolios included in the Fundrise Platform investment opportunities are diversified by investment size, security type, property type and geographic region. As a result of the depth and thoroughness of its underwriting process, the extensive investing experience of its management team and its strong performance record in managing a diverse portfolio of assets, we believe our sponsor has earned a reputation as a leading real estate manager, which has allowed it to access funding from a broad base of investors.

Through December 31, 2018, the seven eREITs® had collectively raised approximately $422 million.

Factors Differentiating Us from Prior Investment Programs

While our investment objectives are similar to those of the eREIT® Programs, the risk profile and investment strategy of each of the prior eREIT® Programs differs from ours. We expect to acquire a similar asset portfolio to what has been originated in the eREIT® Programs.

Additional Information

Please see the tables under “Prior Performance Tables” in Appendix A to this offering circular for more information regarding our sponsor’s prior performance.

DESCRIPTION OF OUR COMMON SHARES

The following descriptions of our common shares, certain provisions of Delaware law and certain provisions of our certificate of formation and operating agreement, which will be in effect upon consummation of this offering, are summaries and are qualified by reference to Delaware law, our certificate of formation and our operating agreement, copies of which are filed as exhibits to the offering statement of which this offering circular is a part. See “Where You Can Find More Information.”
General

We are a Delaware limited liability company organized on June 4, 2019 under the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act, or Delaware LLC Act, issuing limited liability company interests. The limited liability company interests in our Company will be denominated in common shares of limited liability company interests (“common shares”) and, if created in the future, preferred shares of limited liability company interests (“preferred shares”). Our operating agreement provides that we may issue an unlimited number of common shares with the approval of our Manager and without shareholder approval.

All of the common shares offered by this offering circular will be duly authorized and validly issued. Upon payment in full of the consideration payable with respect to the common shares, as determined by our Manager, the holders of such shares will not be liable to us to make any additional capital contributions with respect to such shares (except for the return of distributions under certain circumstances as required by Sections 18-215, 18-607 and 18-804 of the Delaware LLC Act). Holders of common shares have no conversion, exchange, sinking fund or appraisal rights, no pre-emptive rights to subscribe for any securities of our Company and no preferential rights to distributions. However, holders of our common shares will be eligible to participate in our redemption plan, as described below in “— Redemption Plan.”

We intend to have a December 31st fiscal year end. In addition, we intend to elect and qualify to be taxed as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes commencing with our taxable year ended December 31, 2020.

Distributions

We do not expect to declare any distributions until the proceeds from our public offering are invested and generating operating cash flow. Once we begin to make distributions, we expect that our Manager will declare and make them on a quarterly basis, or more or less frequently as determined by our Manager, in arrears. Any distributions we make will be at the discretion of our Manager, and will be based on, among other factors, our present and reasonably projected future cash flow. We expect that the Manager will set the rate of distributions at a level that will be reasonably consistent and sustainable over time. Shareholders will be entitled to declared distributions on each of their shares from the time the shares are issued to the shareholder until the redemption date as described below in “— Redemption Plan.”

We are required to make distributions sufficient to satisfy the requirements for qualification as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Generally, income distributed will not be taxable to us under the Code if we distribute at least 90% of our REIT taxable income each year (computed without regard to the dividends paid deduction and our net capital gain). Distributions will be authorized at the discretion of our Manager, in accordance with our earnings, present and reasonably projected future cash flows and general financial condition. Our Manager’s discretion will be directed, in substantial part, by its obligation to cause us to comply with the REIT requirements and to avoid U.S. federal income and excise taxes on retained income and gains.

Although our goal is to fund the payment of distributions solely from cash flow from operations, we may pay distributions from other sources, including the net proceeds of this offering, cash advances by our Manager, cash resulting from a waiver of fees or reimbursements due to our Manager, borrowings in anticipation of future operating cash flow and the issuance of additional securities, and we have no limit on the amounts we may pay from such other sources. If we fund distributions from financings or the net proceeds from this offering, we will have less funds available for investment in real estate properties, real estate-related assets and other investments. We expect that our cash flow from operations available for distribution will be lower in the initial stages of this offering until we have raised significant capital and made substantial investments. Further, because we may receive income at various times during our fiscal year and because we may need cash flow from operations during a particular period to fund expenses, we expect that during the early stages of our operations and from time to time thereafter, we may declare distributions in anticipation of cash flow that we expect to receive during a later period and these distributions would be paid in advance of our actual receipt of these funds. In these instances, we expect to look to third party borrowings, our offering proceeds or other sources to fund our distributions. Additionally, we will make certain payments to our Manager and dealer manager for services provided to us. See “Management Compensation.” Such payments will reduce the amount of cash available for distributions. Finally, payments to fulfill redemption requests under our redemption plan will also reduce funds available for distribution to remaining shareholders.
We are not prohibited from distributing our own securities in lieu of making cash distributions to shareholders. Our operating agreement also gives the Manager the right to distribute other assets rather than cash. The receipt of our securities or assets in lieu of cash distributions may cause shareholders to incur transaction expenses in liquidating the securities or assets. We do not have any current intention to list our common shares on a stock exchange or other trading market, nor is it expected that a public market for the common shares will develop. We also do not anticipate that we will distribute other assets in kind (other than in the context of a roll up transaction).

Our distributions will constitute a return of capital to the extent that they exceed our current and accumulated earnings and profits as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes. To the extent that a distribution is treated as a return of capital for U.S. federal income tax purposes, it will reduce a holder’s adjusted tax basis in the holder’s shares, and to the extent that it exceeds the holder’s adjusted tax basis, it will be treated as gain resulting from a sale or exchange of such shares.

**Fee Waiver Support**

To mitigate the effect of our lack of assets, revenue and operating history, our Manager has agreed, for a period until June 30, 2020 (the “fee waiver period”), to waive its asset management fee during the fee waiver period. Following the conclusion of the fee waiver period, our Manager may, in its sole discretion, waive its asset management fee, in whole or in part. The Manager will forfeit any portion of the asset management fee that is waived.

In the event of the removal of our Manager, any obligations of our Manager to provide the fee waiver support to us will be terminated.

**Voting Rights**

Our common shareholders will have voting rights only with respect to certain matters, as described below. Each outstanding common share entitles the holder to one vote on all matters submitted to a vote of common shareholders until the redemption date as described below in “— Redemption Plan.” Generally, matters to be voted on by our shareholders must be approved by either a majority or supermajority, as the case may be, of the votes cast by all common shares present in person or represented by proxy. Our operating agreement provides that special meetings of shareholders may be called by our Manager. If any such vote occurs, you will be bound by the majority or supermajority vote, as applicable, even if you did not vote with the majority or supermajority.

The following circumstances will require the approval of holders representing a majority or supermajority, as the case may be, of the common shares:

- any amendment to our operating agreement that would adversely change the rights of the common shares, other than any amendment to the definition of “Market Price” in our operating agreement (majority of affected class/series);
- removal of our Manager as the manager of our Company for “cause” as described under “Management—Term and Removal of the Manager” (two-thirds); and
- the dissolution of the issuer (only if the Manager has been removed for “cause”) (majority);
General Procedures

Public Announcements; Notices. In the case of specified dispositions or a redemption, we will publicly announce or otherwise provide specified information to holders of common shares.

Meetings. Our operating agreement provides that special meetings of shareholders may only be called by our Manager. There will be no annual or regular meetings of the Members.

Fractional Shares. Our Manager will not have to issue or deliver any fractional shares to any holder of common shares upon any redemption or distribution under the provisions described under “— Redemptions.” Instead of issuing fractional shares, we will pay cash for the fractional share in an amount equal to the fair market value of the fractional share, without interest.

Adjustments for Distributions. Upon the redemption of any common shares, the redemption price will be reduced by the aggregate sum of distributions, if any, declared on the shares subject to the redemption request with record dates during the period between the quarter-end redemption request date and the date of redemption. If a redemption date with respect to common shares comes after the record date for the payment of a distribution to be paid on those shares but before the payment or distribution, the registered holders of those shares at the close of business on such record date will be entitled to receive the distribution on the payment date, notwithstanding the redemption of those shares or our default in payment of the distribution.

Payment of Taxes. If any person exchanging a certificate representing common shares wants us to issue a certificate in a different name than the registered name on the old certificate, that person must pay any transfer or other taxes required by reason of the issuance of the certificate in another name or establish, to the satisfaction of us or our agent, that the tax has been paid or is not applicable.

Liquidation Rights

In the event of a liquidation, termination or winding up of our Company, whether voluntary or involuntary, we will first pay or provide for payment of our debts and other liabilities, including the liquidation preferences of any class of preferred shares. Thereafter, holders of our common shares will share in our funds remaining for distribution pro rata in accordance with their respective interests in our Company.

Preferred Shares

Section 215(e) of the Delaware LLC Act also specifically authorizes the creation of ownership interests of different classes of limited liability company interests, having such relative rights, powers and duties as the limited liability company agreement may provide, and may make provision for the future creation in the manner provided in the limited liability company agreement of additional classes of membership interests. In accordance with this provision, our operating agreement provides that our Manager is authorized to provide for the issuance from time to time of an unlimited amount of one or more classes or series of preferred shares of limited liability company interests (“preferred shares”). Unless otherwise required by law or by any stock exchange, if applicable, any such authorized preferred shares will be available for issuance without further action by our common shareholders. Our Manager is authorized to fix the number of preferred shares, the relative powers, preferences and rights, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions applicable to each class or series thereof by resolution authorizing the issuance of such class or series and without shareholder approval. As of the date of this offering circular, no preferred shares are outstanding and we have no current plans to issue any preferred shares.

We could issue a class or series of preferred shares that could, depending on the terms of the class or series, impede or discourage an acquisition attempt or other transaction that some, or a majority, of holders of common shares might believe to be in their best interests or in which holders of common shares might receive a premium for their common shares.

Preferred Shares to Meet 100 Investor REIT Requirement. Following completion of this offering, to the extent necessary to assist us in obtaining a sufficient number of shareholders to meet certain of the qualification requirements for taxation as a REIT under the Code, we may undertake to issue and sell up to approximately 125 shares of a new series of preferred shares in a private placement to up to approximately 125 investors who qualify as “accredited investors” (as that term is defined in Rule 501(a) of Regulation D under the Securities Act). The preferred shares are expected to be perpetual, pay an annual market dividend for securities of this type and be redeemable by us at a premium to the aggregate liquidation value. For example, if we issue 125 preferred shares with a liquidation price of $1,000 per share and an annual dividend of 12.5%, we would raise additional capital of $125,000 and be required to be pay or set aside for payment, in the aggregate, approximately $15,625 annually, before any distributions on our common shares could be made.
Transfer Agent and Registrar

As of the date of this offering circular, we have not engaged a transfer agent, and do not intend to engage a transfer agent until such time as we are required to do so in order to satisfy the conditional exemption contained in Rule 12g5-1(a)(7) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act.

Operating Agreement

Non-Member Manager

- Our operating agreement designates Fundrise Advisors, LLC, an affiliate of our sponsor, as our non-member manager. Our Manager will generally not be entitled to vote on matters submitted to our shareholders, although its approval will be required with respect to certain amendments to the operating agreement that would adversely affect its rights. Our Manager will not have any distribution, redemption, conversion or liquidation rights by virtue of its status as the Manager.

- Our operating agreement further provides that the Manager, in exercising its rights in its capacity as the Manager, will be entitled to consider only such interests and factors as it desires, including its own interests, and will have no duty or obligation (fiduciary or otherwise) to give any consideration to any interest of or factors affecting us or any of our shareholders and will not be subject to any different standards imposed by our operating agreement, the Delaware LLC Act or under any other law, rule or regulation or in equity.

Organization and Duration

We were formed on June 4, 2019, as Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company. We will remain in existence until dissolved in accordance with our operating agreement.

Purpose

Under our operating agreement, we are permitted to engage in any business activity that lawfully may be conducted by a limited liability company organized under Delaware law and, in connection therewith, to exercise all of the rights and powers conferred upon us pursuant to the agreement relating to such business activity; provided, however, that our Manager may only revoke or otherwise terminate our REIT election, without approval of our shareholders, if it determines that it is no longer in our best interests to qualify as a REIT.

Agreement to be Bound by our Operating Agreement; Power of Attorney

By purchasing a common share, you will become a shareholder of our Company and will be bound by the provisions of, and deemed to be a party to, our operating agreement. Pursuant to our operating agreement, each shareholder and each person who acquires a common share from a shareholder grants to our Manager a power of attorney to, among other things, execute and file documents required for our qualification, continuance or dissolution. The power of attorney also grants our Manager the authority to make certain amendments to, and to execute and deliver such other documents as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions or purposes of, our operating agreement.

No Fiduciary Relationship with our Manager

We operate under the direction of our Manager, which is responsible for directing the management of our business and affairs, managing our day-to-day affairs, and implementing our investment strategy. Our Manager performs its duties and responsibilities pursuant to our operating agreement. Our Manager maintains a contractual, as opposed to a fiduciary relationship, with us and our shareholders. Furthermore, we have agreed to limit the liability of our Manager and to indemnify our Manager against certain liabilities.
Limited Liability and Indemnification of our Manager and Others

Subject to certain limitations, our operating agreement limits the liability of our Manager, its officers and directors, our sponsor and our sponsor’s shareholders and affiliates, for monetary damages and provides that we will indemnify and pay or reimburse reasonable expenses in advance of final disposition of a proceeding to our Manager, its officers and directors, our sponsor and our sponsor’s shareholders and affiliates.

Our operating agreement provides that to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law our Manager, its officers and directors, our sponsor and our sponsor’s shareholders and affiliates will not be liable to us. In addition, pursuant to our operating agreement, we have agreed to indemnify our Manager, its officers and directors, our sponsor and our sponsor’s shareholders and affiliates, to the fullest extent permitted by law, against all expenses and liabilities (including judgments, fines, penalties, interest, amounts paid in settlement with the approval of our Company and attorney’s fees and disbursements) arising from the performance of any of their obligations or duties in connection with their service to us or the operating agreement, including in connection with any civil, criminal, administrative, investigative or other action, suit or proceeding to which any such person may hereafter be made party by reason of being or having been the manager or one of our Manager’s directors or officers.

Insofar as the foregoing provisions permit indemnification of directors, officers or persons controlling us for liability arising under the Securities Act, we have been informed that, in the opinion of the SEC, this indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable.

Amendment of Our Operating Agreement; Exclusive Authority of our Manager to Amend our Operating Agreement

Amendments to our operating agreement may be proposed only by or with the consent of our Manager. Our Manager will not be required to seek approval of the shareholders to adopt or approve any amendment to our operating agreement, except to the extent that such amendment would limit the rights of the holders of any class or series of shares or would otherwise have an adverse effect on such holders. In such a case, the proposed amendment must be approved in writing by holders representing a majority of the class or series of shares so affected.

Termination and Dissolution

We will continue as a limited liability company until terminated under our operating agreement. We will dissolve upon: (1) the election of our Manager to dissolve us; (2) the sale, exchange or other disposition of all or substantially all of our assets; (3) the entry of a decree of judicial dissolution of our Company; or (4) at any time that we no longer have any shareholders, unless our business is continued in accordance with the Delaware LLC Act.

Books and Reports

We are required to keep appropriate books of our business at our principal offices. The books will be maintained for both tax and financial reporting purposes on a basis that permits the preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP. For financial reporting purposes and U.S. federal income tax purposes, our fiscal year and our tax year (unless otherwise required by the Code) are the calendar year.

Determinations by our Manager

Any determinations made by our Manager under any provision described in our operating agreement will be final and binding on our shareholders, except as may otherwise be required by law, or as a result of any determination by our Manager to revoke or otherwise terminate our REIT election, without approval of our shareholders, if the Manager determines that it is no longer in our best interests to qualify as a REIT. We will prepare a statement of any determination by our Manager respecting the fair market value of any properties, assets or securities, and will file the statement with our Company secretary.
Restrictions on Ownership and Transfer

In order for us to qualify as a REIT under the Code, shares of our Company must be owned by 100 or more persons during at least 335 days of a taxable year of 12 months (other than the first year for which an election to be a REIT has been made) or during a proportionate part of a shorter taxable year. Also, not more than 50% of the value of our outstanding shares may be owned, directly or indirectly, by five or fewer individuals (as defined in the Code to include certain entities) during the last half of a taxable year (other than the first year for which an election to be a REIT has been made). To qualify as a REIT, we must satisfy other requirements as well. See “U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations—Requirements for Qualification as a REIT.”

To assist us in qualifying as a REIT, our operating agreement, subject to certain exceptions, contains restrictions on the number and value of our common shares and the number and value of shares of our Company that a person may own. Our operating agreement provides that generally no person may own, or be deemed to own by virtue of certain attribution provisions of the Code, either more than 9.8% in value or in number of our common shares, whichever is more restrictive, or more than 9.8% in value or in number of our shares, whichever is more restrictive. Accordingly, no person may own, or be deemed to own, more than 9.8% in value or in number of our shares, whichever is more restrictive. We refer to these limits collectively as the “ownership limit.” An individual or entity that becomes subject to the ownership limit or any of the other restrictions on ownership and transfer of the shares of our Company described below is referred to as a “prohibited owner” if, had the violative transfer or other event been effective, the individual or entity would have been a beneficial owner or, if appropriate, a record owner of shares.

The applicable constructive ownership rules under the Code are complex and may cause our shares owned actually or constructively by a group of individuals and/or entities to be owned constructively by one individual or entity. As a result, the acquisition of less than 9.8% by value or number of our common shares, whichever is more restrictive, or 9.8% by value or number of our shares, whichever is more restrictive, (or the acquisition of an interest in an entity that owns, actually or constructively, our shares by an individual or entity), could, nevertheless, cause that individual or entity, or another individual or entity, to own constructively in excess of the ownership limit.

Our Manager may, in its sole discretion, subject to such conditions as it may determine and the receipt of certain representations and undertakings, prospectively or retroactively, waive the ownership limit or establish a different limit on ownership, or excepted holder limit, for a particular shareholder if the shareholder’s ownership in excess of the ownership limit would not result in our Company being “closely held” within the meaning of Section 856(h) of the Code (without regard to whether the ownership interest is held during the last half of a taxable year) except during the first taxable year for which we elect to be a REIT and/or during the first half of our second taxable year for which we elect to be treated as a REIT and only to the extent it does not result in us failing to qualify as a REIT, or otherwise would result in us failing to qualify as a REIT. As a condition of its waiver or grant of excepted holder limit, our Manager may, but is not required to, require an opinion of counsel or IRS ruling satisfactory to our Manager in order to determine or ensure our Company’s qualification as a REIT. In addition, our Manager will reject any investor’s subscription in whole or in part if it determines that such subscription would violate such ownership limits.

In connection with granting a waiver of the ownership limit, creating an excepted holder limit or at any other time, our Manager may from time to time increase or decrease the ownership limit for all other individuals and entities unless, after giving effect to such increase, five or fewer individuals could beneficially or constructively own in the aggregate, more than 49.9% in value of the shares then outstanding of our Company or our Company would otherwise fail to qualify as a REIT. Prior to the modification of the ownership limit, our Manager may require such opinions of counsel, affidavits, undertakings or agreements as it may deem necessary or advisable in order to determine or ensure our qualification as a REIT. A reduced ownership limit will not apply to any person or entity whose percentage ownership of our common shares or shares of our Company, as applicable, is in excess of such decreased ownership limit until such time as such individual’s or entity’s percentage ownership of our common shares or shares of our Company, as applicable, equals or falls below the decreased ownership limit, but any further acquisition of our common shares or shares of our Company, as applicable, in excess of such percentage ownership of our common shares or shares of our Company will be in violation of the ownership limit.
Our operating agreement further prohibits:

- any person from beneficially or constructively owning, applying certain attribution rules of the Code, shares of our Company that would result in our Company being “closely held” under Section 856(h) of the Code (without regard to whether the ownership interest is held during the last half of a taxable year) or otherwise cause us to fail to qualify as a REIT; and

- any person from transferring our shares if such transfer would result in our shares being owned by fewer than 100 persons (determined without reference to any rules of attribution).

Any person who acquires or attempts or intends to acquire beneficial or constructive ownership of our shares that will or may violate the ownership limit or any of the other foregoing restrictions on ownership and transfer of our shares, or who would have owned our shares transferred to a trust as described below, must immediately give us written notice of the event, or in the case of an attempted or proposed transaction, must give at least 15 days’ prior written notice to us and provide us with such other information as we may request in order to determine the effect of such transfer on our qualification as a REIT. The foregoing restrictions on ownership and transfer of our shares will not apply if our Manager determines that it is no longer in our best interests to attempt to qualify, or to continue to qualify, as a REIT or that compliance with the restrictions and limitations on ownership and transfer of our shares as described above is no longer required in order for us to qualify as a REIT.

If any transfer of our shares would result in our shares being beneficially owned by fewer than 100 persons, such transfer will be null and void and the intended transferee will acquire no rights in such shares. In addition, if any purported transfer of our shares or any other event would otherwise result in any person violating the ownership limit or an excepted holder limit established by our Manager or in our Company being “closely held” under Section 856(h) of the Code (without regard to whether the ownership interest is held during the last half of a taxable year) or otherwise failing to qualify as a REIT, then that number of shares (rounded up to the nearest whole share) that would cause us to violate such restrictions will be automatically transferred to, and held by, a trust for the exclusive benefit of one or more charitable organizations selected by us and the intended transferee will acquire no rights in such shares. The automatic transfer will be effective as of the close of business on the business day prior to the date of the violative transfer or other event that results in a transfer to the trust. Any dividend or other distribution paid to the prohibited owner, prior to our discovery that the shares had been automatically transferred to a trust as described above, must be repaid to the trustee upon demand for distribution to the beneficiary by the trust. If the transfer to the trust as described above is not automatically effective, for any reason, to prevent violation of the applicable ownership limit or our Company being “closely held” under Section 856(h) of the Code (without regard to whether the ownership interest is held during the last half of a taxable year) or otherwise failing to qualify as a REIT, then our operating agreement provides that the transfer of the shares will be null and void.

Shares of our Company transferred to the trustee are deemed offered for sale to us, or our designee, at a price per share equal to the lesser of (1) the price paid by the prohibited owner for the shares (or, if the event that resulted in the transfer to the trust did not involve a purchase of such shares at market price, the last reported NAV value for our common shares on the day of the event which resulted in the transfer of such shares to the trust) and (2) the last reported NAV value of our common shares on the date we accept, or our designee accepts, such offer (or $10.00 if no NAV has been reported). We may reduce the amount payable by the amount of any dividend or other distribution that we have paid to the prohibited owner before we discovered that the shares had been automatically transferred to the trust and that are then owed to the trustee as described above, and we may pay the amount of any such reduction to the trustee for the benefit of the charitable beneficiary. We have the right to accept such offer until the trustee has sold the shares held in the trust as discussed below. Upon a sale to us, the interest of the charitable beneficiary in the shares sold terminates, the trustee must distribute the net proceeds of the sale to the prohibited owner and any dividends or other distributions held by the trustee with respect to such shares will be paid to the charitable beneficiary.

If we do not buy the shares, the trustee must, as soon as practicable after receiving notice from us of the transfer of shares to the trust, sell the shares to a person or entity designated by the trustee who could own the shares without violating the ownership limit or the other restrictions on ownership and transfer of shares of our Company. After the sale of the shares, the interest of the charitable beneficiary in the shares transferred to the trust will terminate and the trustee must distribute to the prohibited owner an amount equal to the lesser of (1) the price paid by the prohibited owner for the shares (or, if the event which resulted in the transfer to the trust did not involve a purchase of such shares at market price, the last reported NAV value for our common shares on the day of the event which resulted in the transfer of such shares to the trust) and (2) the sales proceeds (net of commissions and other expenses of sale) received by the trust for the shares. The trustee may reduce the amount payable to the prohibited owner by the amount of any dividend or other distribution that we paid to the prohibited owner before we discovered that the shares had been automatically transferred to the trust and that are then owed to the trustee as described above. Any net sales proceeds in excess of the amount payable to the prohibited owner will be immediately paid to the beneficiary of the trust, together with any dividends or other distributions thereon. In addition, if, prior to discovery by us that our shares have been transferred to a trust, such shares are sold by a prohibited owner, then such shares will be
deemed to have been sold on behalf of the trust and to the extent that the prohibited owner received an amount for or in respect of such shares that exceeds the amount that such prohibited owner was entitled to receive, such excess amount will be paid to the trustee upon demand. The prohibited owner has no rights in the shares held by the trustee.
The trustee will be designated by us and will be unaffiliated with us and with any prohibited owner. Prior to the sale of any shares by the trust, the trustee will receive, in trust for the beneficiary of the trust, all dividends and other distributions paid by us with respect to the shares held in trust and may also exercise all voting rights with respect to the shares held in trust. These rights will be exercised for the exclusive benefit of the beneficiary of the trust. Any dividend or other distribution paid prior to our discovery that our shares have been transferred to the trust will be paid by the recipient to the trustee upon demand.

Subject to Delaware law, effective as of the date that the shares have been transferred to the trust, the trustee will have the authority, at the trustee’s sole discretion:

- to rescind as void any vote cast by a prohibited owner prior to our discovery that the shares have been transferred to the trust; and
- to recast the vote in accordance with the desires of the trustee acting for the benefit of the beneficiary of the trust.

However, if we have already taken irreversible company action, then the trustee may not rescind and recast the vote.

In addition, if our Manager determines in good faith that a proposed transfer or other event would violate the restrictions on ownership and transfer of our shares, our Manager may take such action as it deems advisable to refuse to give effect to or to prevent such transfer, including, but not limited to, causing us to redeem our shares, refusing to give effect to the transfer on our books or instituting proceedings to enjoin the transfer.

Every owner of 5% or more (or such lower percentage as required by the Code or the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder) of our shares, within 30 days after the end of each taxable year, must give us written notice, stating the shareholder’s name and address, the number of shares of each class of our Company that the shareholder beneficially owns and a description of the manner in which the shares are held. Each such owner must provide to us in writing such additional information as we may request in order to determine the effect, if any, of the shareholder’s beneficial ownership on our qualification as a REIT and to ensure compliance with the ownership limit. In addition, each shareholder must provide to us in writing such information as we may request in good faith in order to determine our qualification as a REIT and to comply with the requirements of any taxing authority or governmental authority or to determine such compliance.

Any certificates representing our shares will bear a legend referring to the restrictions described above.

These restrictions on ownership and transfer could delay, defer or prevent a transaction or a change in control that might involve a premium price for the common shares or otherwise be in the best interest of the holders of the common shares.
**REIT Election**

Our operating agreement provides that our Manager may revoke or otherwise terminate our REIT election, without the approval of our shareholders, if it determines that it is no longer in our best interests to continue to qualify as a REIT.

**Personal Conduct Repurchase Right**

Our operating agreement provides that we may elect to repurchase, at a price equal to $10.00 per share until September 30, 2020, and equal to no less than our NAV as of the end of the prior semi-annual period (or such other period as determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually) thereafter, all of the common shares held by an investor in the event that such investor fails to conform its personal conduct to common and accepted standards of good citizenship or conducts itself in a way that reflects poorly upon us, as determined by the Manager in its sole and absolute discretion. The purchase price will be payable to the investor in a single payment, with the payment becoming due fifteen (15) business days following the date on which we provide notice to the investor of our decision to repurchase the common shares.

**Prospect of Roll-Up/Public Listing**

Our Manager may determine that it is in our best interest to (i) contribute to, or convert our Company into, an alternative vehicle, through consolidation, merger or other similar transaction with other companies, some of which may be managed by our Manager or its affiliates (a “Roll-Up”) or (ii) list our shares (or shares of the Roll-Up vehicle) on a national securities exchange. In connection with a Roll-Up, shareholders may receive from the Roll-Up vehicle cash, stock, securities or other interests or assets of such vehicle, on such terms as our Manager deems fair and reasonable, provided, however, that our Manager will be required to obtain approval of shareholders holding a majority of the outstanding common shares if required by applicable laws or regulations.

**Arbitration Provision**

Under the Arbitration Provision contained in our operating agreement, either party may, at its sole election, require that the sole and exclusive forum and remedy for resolution of a claim be final and binding arbitration. We have not determined whether we will exercise our right to demand arbitration but reserve the right to make that determination on a case by case basis as claims arise. In this regard, the Arbitration Provision is similar to a binding arbitration provision as we are likely to invoke the Arbitration Provision to the fullest extent permissible. The Arbitration Provision applies to claims under the U.S. federal securities laws and to all claims that are related to the Company, including with respect to this offering, our holdings, our common shares, our ongoing operations and the management of our investments, among other matters.

Any arbitration brought pursuant to the Arbitration Provision must be conducted in the State of Virginia, in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. The term “Claim” as used in the Arbitration Provision is very broad and includes any past, present, or future claim, dispute, or controversy involving you (or persons claiming through or connected with you), on the one hand, and us (or persons claiming through or connected with us), on the other hand, relating to or arising out of your subscription agreement, the Fundrise Platform, and/or the activities or relationships that involve, lead to, or result from any of the foregoing, including (except an individual Claim that you may bring in Small Claims Court or an equivalent court, if any, so long as the Claim is pending only in that court) the validity or enforceability of the Arbitration Provision, any part thereof, or the entire subscription agreement. Claims are subject to arbitration regardless of whether they arise from contract; tort (intentional or otherwise); a constitution, statute, common law, or principles of equity; or otherwise. Claims include (without limitation) matters arising as initial claims, counter-claims, cross-claims, third-party claims, or otherwise. The scope of the Arbitration Provision is to be given the broadest possible interpretation that will permit it to be enforceable. Based on discussions with and research performed by the Company’s counsel, we believe that the Arbitration Provision is enforceable under federal law, the laws of the State of Delaware, the laws of Washington, D.C., or under any other applicable laws or regulations. However, the issue of enforceability is not free from doubt and to the extent that one or more of the provisions in our subscription agreement or our operating agreement with respect to the Arbitration Provision or otherwise requiring you to waive certain rights were to be found by a court to be unenforceable, we would abide by such decision.
Before purchasing shares, a potential investor must acknowledge, understand, and agree that: (a) arbitration is final and binding on the parties; (b) the parties are waiving their right to seek remedies in court, including the right to jury trial; (c) pre-arbitration discovery is generally more limited than, and potentially different in form and scope from court proceedings; (d) the Arbitration Award is not required to include factual findings or legal reasoning and any party’s right to appeal or to seek modification of a ruling by the arbitrators is strictly limited; and (e) the panel of arbitrators may include a minority of persons engaged in the securities industry. The Arbitration Provision limits the rights of an investor to many legal remedies and rights otherwise available. See “How to Subscribe—Arbitration Provision.”

BY AGREEING TO BE SUBJECT TO THE ARBITRATION PROVISION IN OUR OPERATING AGREEMENT, INVESTORS WILL NOT BE DEEMED TO WAIVE THE COMPANY’S COMPLIANCE WITH THE FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATED THEREUNDER.

Anti-Takeover Effects of Our Operating Agreement and Delaware Law

The following is a summary of certain provisions of our operating agreement and Delaware law that may be deemed to have the effect of discouraging, delaying or preventing transactions that involve an actual or threatened change of control of our Company. These provisions include the following:

**Authorized but Unissued Shares**

Our operating agreement authorizes us to issue additional common shares or other securities of our Company for the consideration and on the terms and conditions established by our Manager without the approval of our shareholders. In particular, our Manager is authorized to provide for the issuance of an unlimited amount of one or more classes or series of shares of our Company, including preferred shares, and to fix the number of shares, the relative powers, preferences and rights, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions applicable to each class or series thereof by resolution authorizing the issuance of such class or series. Our ability to issue additional shares and other securities could render more difficult or discourage an attempt to obtain control over us by means of a tender offer, merger or otherwise.

**Delaware Business Combination Statute—Section 203**

We are a limited liability company organized under Delaware law. Some provisions of Delaware law may delay or prevent a transaction that would cause a change in our control. Section 203 of the DGCL, which restricts certain business combinations with interested shareholders in certain situations, does not apply to limited liability companies unless they elect to utilize it. Our operating agreement does not currently elect to have Section 203 of the DGCL apply to us. In general, this statute prohibits a publicly held Delaware corporation from engaging in a business combination with an interested shareholder for a period of three years after the date of the transaction by which that person became an interested shareholder, unless the business combination is approved in a prescribed manner. For purposes of Section 203, a business combination includes a merger, asset sale or other transaction resulting in a financial benefit to the interested shareholder, and an interested shareholder is a person who, together with affiliates and associates, owns, or within three years prior did own, 15% or more of voting shares. Our Manager may elect to amend our operating agreement at any time to have Section 203 apply to us.

**Valuation Policies**

We intend to engage an independent valuation expert with expertise in appraising commercial real estate loans and assets or receive an independent valuation expert report at the time each loan or asset is acquired in order to provide valuations of certain commercial real estate assets and investments, including related liabilities, that are set forth in reports of the underlying real estate, and to adjust those valuations for events known to the independent valuation expert that it believes are likely to have a material impact on previously provided estimates of the value, to the extent applicable, of the affected commercial real estate assets and investments and related liabilities. Our real estate assets will consist primarily of a diversified portfolio of commercial real estate loans, commercial real estate and other real estate-related assets where the underlying collateral is typically commercial real estate or security interests therein. Our commercial real estate related liabilities will consist primarily of related party loans and participation interests. In addition, our assets will include liquid assets and securities classified as held to maturity, which are not valued by our independent valuation expert, and cash and cash equivalents. We will amortize asset acquisition costs over the duration of the real estate asset. In the instances of assets with uncertain durations, we will amortize asset acquisition costs over five years. Our liabilities will include accrued fees and operating expenses, accrued distributions payable, accrued management fees and, to the extent we are using margin, trade payables incurred in the ordinary course of business, which are estimated by our Manager. Our Manager will be responsible for ensuring that the independent valuation expert discharges its responsibilities in accordance with our valuation guidelines, and will periodically receive...
and review such information about the valuation of our assets and liabilities as it deems necessary to exercise its oversight responsibility.
At the end of each semi-annual period, or such other period as determined by the Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually, beginning September 30, 2020, our sponsor’s internal accountants and asset management team will calculate our NAV per share using a process that reflects (1) estimated values of each of our commercial real estate assets and investments, as determined by such asset management team, including related liabilities, based upon (a) market capitalization rates, comparable sales information, interest rates, net operating income, (b) with respect to debt, default rates, discount rates and loss severity rates, (c) for properties that have development or value add plans, progress along such development or value add plan, and (d) in certain instances, reports of the underlying real estate provided by an independent valuation expert, (2) the price of liquid assets for which third party market quotes are available, (3) accruals of our periodic distributions and (4) estimated accruals of our operating revenues and expenses. For joint venture or direct equity investments, the sponsor primarily relies on the discounted cash flow method. Under the discounted cash flow method, our sponsor’s asset management team will calculate the distributions due to the respective investment based on a property-level pro forma measured against ongoing actual performance over the projected likely-hold period. The sponsor’s asset management team will then discount future cash-flow projections at an appropriate market levered-discount rate to determine present value, which value is considered the net asset value of the investment. The sponsor may alternatively apply the hypothetical sales method to value its investments. Under this approach, our sponsor’s asset management team will assume (i) the sale of the property at a price equal to the concluded property value, (ii) the liquidation of any additional assets after paying all liabilities, and (iii) the distribution of the net sale proceeds to investors. The distributed amount is considered the net asset value of each respective investment. For debt and fixed-return preferred equity investment, assuming no material adverse change in the property, the sponsor’s asset management team will mark these investments to their cost basis (including any accrued unpaid interest). If there were to be material adverse changes in these properties, the asset management team intends to value these investments using the hypothetical sales method described above. For our investments that have closed within three to nine months and no material changes have occurred from the original underwriting, our sponsor’s asset management team will typically apply the original property purchase price (or pre-closing third party appraisal value) for the property valuation, and the investment cost basis for the investment-level valuation.

Note, however, that the determination of our NAV is not based on, nor intended to comply with, fair value standards under GAAP, and our NAV may not be indicative of the price that we would receive for our assets at current market conditions. In instances where we determine that an appraisal of the real estate asset is necessary, including, but not limited to, instances where our Manager is unsure of its ability on its own to accurately determine the estimated values of our commercial real estate assets and investments, or instances where third party market values for comparable properties are either nonexistent or extremely inconsistent, we will engage an appraiser that has expertise in appraising commercial real estate assets, to act as our independent valuation expert. The independent valuation expert is not responsible for, nor will prepare, our NAV per share. If a material event occurs between scheduled annual valuations that our Manager believes may materially affect the value of any of our commercial real estate assets and investments, including related liabilities, our Manager anticipates informing the independent valuation expert so that, if appropriate, the valuation may adjust compared to the most recent valuations provided in the applicable report, if any, to account for the estimated impact. Our sponsor’s internal accountants determine our NAV per share by dividing our NAV by the number of our common shares outstanding as of the end of such period, prior to giving effect to any share purchases or redemptions to be effected for such period.

As there is no market value for our common shares as they are not expected to be listed or traded on any stock exchange or other marketplace, our goal is to provide a reasonable estimate of the value of our shares on a semi-annual basis (or such other periodic basis as determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually). However, the majority of our assets will consist of commercial real estate and, as with any commercial real estate valuation protocol, the conclusions reached by our sponsor’s internal asset management team or internal accountants, as the case may be, will be based on a number of judgments, assumptions and opinions about future events that may or may not prove to be correct. The use of different judgments, assumptions or opinions would likely result in different estimates of the value of our commercial real estate assets and investments. In addition, for any given semi-annual period (or such other period as determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually), our published NAV per share may not fully reflect certain material events, to the extent that the financial impact of such events on our portfolio is not immediately quantifiable. As a result, the calculation of our NAV per share may not reflect the precise amount that might be paid for your shares in a market transaction, and any potential disparity in our NAV per share may be in favor of either shareholders who redeem their shares, or shareholders who buy new shares, or existing shareholders. However, to the extent quantifiable, if a material event occurs in between updates of NAV that would cause our NAV per share to change by 5% or more from the last disclosed NAV, we will disclose the updated price and the reason for the change in an offering circular supplement as promptly as reasonably practicable, and will update the NAV information provided on our website.
Our Sponsor’s Asset Management Team

As of Q3 2019, our sponsor’s real estate and accounting teams are composed of thirty-five professionals with more than 287 years of combined experience. Of these professionals, the primary real estate management team is made up of three officers of our sponsor, four real estate vice presidents, four real estate senior associates, ten real estate analysts, three accounting vice presidents and eleven accountants. All of these professionals play a role in asset management because our sponsor takes a “cradle to grave” approach to asset management, meaning that the real estate team that closes a deal is then responsible for asset management of the property for the life of the investment. Members of our sponsor’s real estate team have previously worked as real estate developers, fund managers, real estate brokers, and home-builders, while members of our sponsor’s accounting team have worked as auditors, fund accountants, and property accountants. Prior to being employed by our sponsor, these team members accumulated direct management experience with real estate development, fund management, leasing, construction and financing in excess of $2 billion of real estate, not including their experience with our sponsor.

Through June 30, 2019, our sponsor’s real estate and accounting teams have acquired and asset managed more than 281 real estate assets with aggregate purchase prices of approximately $3.9 billion. Since 2015, our sponsor’s real estate and accounting teams have worked with outside valuation experts in determining the Net Asset Value calculation for each of the investment programs sponsored by our sponsor. Based on this experience, our sponsor believes that its real estate team has a more intimate and detailed understanding of the properties than typical outside consultants and that its real estate and accounting teams can more accurately estimate our NAV.

In addition, our sponsor believes that it will ultimately be much more cost effective and efficient to produce NAV through its own asset management team than through the use of outside valuation consultants.

Share Price Adjustments

Our Manager set our initial offering price at $10.00 per share, which will be the purchase price of our common shares until September 30, 2020. Thereafter, the per share purchase price for our common shares will be adjusted at the end of each semi-annual period, or such other period as determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually. Our Manager has initially determined to adjust the per share purchase price in this offering semi-annually, as of April 1st and October 1st of each year (or as soon as commercially reasonable and announced by us thereafter), to be no less than our NAV divided by the number of our common shares outstanding as of the end of the prior semi-annual period (NAV per share), in each case prior to giving effect to any share purchases or redemptions to be effected on such day. Our Manager will adjust our per share purchase price as of the date the new NAV is announced, not the date of such NAV, and investors will pay the most recent publicly announced purchase price as of the date of their subscription.

Beginning after September 30, 2020, we will file with the SEC an offering circular supplement disclosing the determination of our NAV per share that will be applicable from the date following the date of the supplement disclosing the new NAV until the filing of the next NAV supplement, which we refer to as the pricing supplement. We will file the pricing supplement at the end of each semi-annual period (or at the end of such other period for which our Manager has determined to calculate our NAV). We will also post that period’s NAV on the public Fundrise Platform, www.fundrise.com. The Fundrise Platform will also contain this offering circular, including any supplements and amendments. We will disclose, on a semi-annual basis (or such other periodic basis as determined by our Manager in its sole discretion, but no less frequently than annually) an offering circular supplement filed with the SEC, the principal valuation components of our NAV. In addition, if a material event occurs in between semi-annual updates of NAV that would cause our NAV per share to change by 5% or more from the last disclosed NAV, we will disclose the updated price and the reason for the change in an offering circular supplement as promptly as reasonably practicable, and will update the NAV information provided on our website.
Any subscriptions that we receive prior to the filing of the pricing supplement disclosing our NAV adjustment will be executed at a price equal to our then currently disclosed NAV per share. Thus, even if settlement occurs in the following period for which NAV is calculated, the purchase price for the shares will be the price in effect at the time the subscription was received.

**Redemption Plan**

While shareholders should view this investment as long-term, we plan to adopt a redemption plan whereby, on an ongoing basis, an investor has the opportunity to obtain liquidity. Our Manager has designed the redemption plan we plan to adopt with a view towards providing investors with an initial period with which to decide whether a long-term investment in our Company is right for them. In addition, despite the illiquid nature of the assets expected to be held by our Company, our Manager believes it is best to provide the opportunity for ongoing liquidity in the event shareholders need it.

Pursuant to the redemption plan we plan to adopt, a shareholder may only (a) have one outstanding redemption request at any given time and (b) request that we redeem up to the lesser of 5,000 shares or $50,000 per each redemption request. In the event of a conflict between the minimum and maximum amounts that may be redeemed, the maximum dollar amount allowable will control. In addition, the redemption plan will be subject to certain liquidity limitations, which may fluctuate depending on the liquidity of the real estate assets held by us.

The calculation of the redemption price will depend, in part, on whether a shareholder requests redemption in the Introductory Period or Post-Introductory Period.

During the Introductory Period, the per share redemption price will be equal to the purchase price of the shares being redeemed reduced by (i) the aggregate sum of distributions paid with respect to such shares, rounded down to the nearest cent and (ii) the aggregate sum of distributions, if any, declared but unpaid on the shares subject to the redemption request. In other words, a shareholder would receive back their original investment amount, from the redemption price paid, prior distributions received and distributions that have been declared (and that will be received when paid), but would not receive any amounts in excess of their original investment amount.

During the Post-Introductory Period, the per share redemption price will be calculated based on a declining discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request, and rounded down to the nearest cent. In addition, the redemption plan is subject to certain liquidity limitations, which may fluctuate depending on the liquidity of the real estate assets held by us. During the Post-Introductory Period, the redemption price with respect to the common shares that are subject to the redemption request will not be reduced by the aggregate sum of distributions, if any, that have been (i) paid with respect to such shares prior to the date of the redemption request or (ii) declared but unpaid on such shares with record dates during the period between the redemption request date and the redemption date.
### SUMMARY OF REDEMPTION PLAN

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1. The Effective Redemption Price will be rounded down to the nearest $0.01.
2. The Effective Redemption Price during the Introductory Period is calculated based upon the purchase price of the shares, not the per share price in effect at the time of the redemption request.
3. The Effective Redemption Price during the Introductory Period will be reduced by the aggregate sum of distributions paid or payable on such shares, the amount of which we are unable to calculate at this time.
4. For shares held at least ninety (90) days but less than three (3) years, the Effective Redemption Price includes the fixed 3% discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.
5. For shares held at least three (3) years but less than four (4) years, the Effective Redemption Price includes the fixed 2% discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.
6. For shares held at least four (4) years but less than five (5) years, the Effective Redemption Price includes the fixed 1% discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.
7. For shares held at least five (5) years, the Effective Redemption Price does not include any discount to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.

As shareholders will be required to observe a minimum sixty (60) day waiting period following a redemption request before such request will be honored, whether a redemption request is deemed to be in the Introductory Period or the Post-Introductory Period will be determined as of the date the redemption request is made, not the date the redemption request is honored. Meaning, for example, if a redemption request is submitted during the Introductory Period, but honored after the Introductory Period, the effective redemption price will be determined using the Introductory Period methodology.

The following is a brief comparison of our redemption plan during the Introductory Period (up to 90 days after settlement) and the Post-Introductory Period (90 days or more after settlement), which is qualified in its entirety by the disclosure contained herein.

#### Introductory Period
- **Duration**: First 89 days after settlement
- **Redemption Price**: 100% of purchase price less distributions paid and distributions declared and to be paid
- **Timing to submit request**: At least 60 days prior to the effective redemption date (but in no event 90 or more days after first acquiring the shares)
- **Last Date to Withdraw Request**: Up to the effective redemption date
- **Date of Redemption Payment**: Within 3-5 business days after the effective redemption date.
- **Frequency**: Monthly (after a minimum 60 day waiting period after the submission of the redemption request).
- **Minimum Amount of Shares Redeemed**: None.
- **Maximum Amount of Shares Redeemed**: 5,000 common shares or $50,000, whichever is less.

#### Post-Introductory Period
- **Duration**: 90+ days after settlement
- **Redemption Price**: 97-100% of NAV depending on hold time (no reduction for distributions)
- **Timing to submit request**: At least 60 days prior to the effective redemption date
- **Last Date to Withdraw Request**: Up to the effective redemption date.
- **Date of Redemption Payment**: Within 3-5 business days after the effective redemption date.
- **Frequency**: Monthly (after a minimum 60 day waiting period after the submission of the redemption request).
- **Minimum Amount of Shares Redeemed**: None.
- **Maximum Amount of Shares Redeemed**: 5,000 common shares or $50,000, whichever is less.

We have the right to monitor the trading patterns of shareholders or their financial advisors and we reserve the right to reject any purchase or redemption transaction at any time based on what we deem to be a pattern of excessive, abusive or short-term trading. We expect that there will be no regular secondary trading market for our common shares. However, in the event a secondary market for our shares develops, we will terminate our redemption plan.
Redemption of our common shares may be requested at any time upon written request to us at least sixty (60) days prior to the effective redemption date; provided, however, written requests for common shares to be redeemed during the Introductory Period must be delivered to our Manager prior to the end of such shareholder’s Introductory Period. Our Manager intends to provide notice of redemption by the end of the first month following the sixtieth (60th) day after the submission of the redemption request, with an effective redemption date no earlier than the sixtieth (60th) day following the submission of the redemption request, and expects to remit the redemption price within three (3) business days (but generally no more than five (5) business days) of the effective redemption date. Shareholders may withdraw their redemption request at any time prior to the effective redemption date.

We cannot guarantee that the funds set aside for the redemption plan will be sufficient to accommodate all requests made in any given time period. In the event our Manager determines, in its sole discretion, that we do not have sufficient funds available to redeem all of the common shares for which redemption requests have been submitted during any given month, such pending requests will be honored on a pro-rata basis, if at all. In the event that not all redemptions are being honored in a given month, the redemption requests not fully honored will have the remaining amount of such redemption requests considered on the next month in which redemptions are being honored. Accordingly, all unsatisfied redemption requests will be treated as requests for redemption on the next date on which redemptions are being honored, with redemptions processed pro-rata, if at all. If funds available for the redemption plan are not sufficient to accommodate all redemption requests on such future redemption date, common shares will be redeemed on a pro-rata basis, if at all.

We intend to limit common shareholders to one (1) redemption request outstanding at any given time, meaning that, if a common shareholder desires to request more or less shares to be redeemed, such common shareholder must first withdraw the first redemption request, which may affect whether the request is considered in the “Introductory Period” or “Post-Introductory Period.” For investors who hold common shares with more than one record date, redemption requests will be applied to such common shares in the order in which they settled, on a last in first out basis – meaning, those common shares that have been continuously held for the shortest amount of time will be redeemed first. In addition, we intend to limit individual redemption requests to the lesser of 5,000 shares or $50,000 per each redemption request, which may affect whether the entirety of a redemption request will be considered to be in the “Introductory Period” or “Post-Introductory Period.” In the event of a conflict between the minimum and maximum amounts that may be redeemed, the maximum dollar amount allowable will control.

In light of the SEC’s current guidance on redemption plans, we generally intend to limit redemptions in any calendar month to shares whose aggregate value (based on the repurchase price per share in effect as of the redemption date) is less than or equal to 0.5% of the NAV of all of our outstanding shares as of the first day of such calendar month, and generally intend to limit the amount redeemed in any calendar quarter to shares whose aggregate value (based on the repurchase price per share in effect as of the redemption date) is 1.25% of the NAV of all of our outstanding shares as of first day of the last month of such calendar quarter (e.g., March 1, June 1, September 1, or December 1), with excess capacity carried over to later calendar quarters in that calendar year. However, as we intend to make a number of commercial real estate investments of varying terms and maturities, our Manager may elect to increase or decrease the amount of common shares available for redemption in any given month or quarter, as these commercial real estate assets are paid off or sold, but in no event will we redeem more than 5.00% of the common shares outstanding during any calendar year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, we are not obligated to redeem common shares under the redemption plan.

In addition, our Manager may, in its sole discretion, amend, suspend, or terminate the redemption plan at any time without prior notice, including to protect our operations and our non-redeemed shareholders, to prevent an undue burden on our liquidity, to preserve our status as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, following any material decrease in our NAV, or for any other reason. However, in the event that we amend, suspend or terminate our redemption plan, we will file an offering circular supplement and/or Form 1-U, as appropriate, and post such information on the Fundrise Platform to disclose such amendment. Our Manager may also, in its sole discretion, decline any particular redemption request if it believes such action is necessary to preserve our status as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes (for example, if a redemption request would cause a non-redeeming shareholder to violate the ownership limits in our operating agreement or if a redemption constitutes a “dividend equivalent redemption” that could give rise to a preferential dividend issue, to the extent applicable). Therefore, you may not have the opportunity to make a redemption request prior to any potential termination of our redemption plan.
For more information about our redemption plan or to submit a redemption request, please contact us by email at investments@fundrise.com.

Reports to Shareholders

Our operating agreement requires that we prepare an annual report and deliver it to our common shareholders within 120 days after the end of each fiscal year. Our Manager is required to take reasonable steps to ensure that the annual report complies with our operating agreement provisions and with applicable securities laws.

Under the Securities Act, we must update this offering circular upon the occurrence of certain events, such as asset acquisitions. We will file updated offering circulars and offering circular supplements with the SEC. We are also subject to the informational reporting requirements of the Exchange Act that are applicable to Tier 2 companies whose securities are registered pursuant to Regulation A, and accordingly, we will file annual reports, semi-annual reports and other information with the SEC. In addition, we will provide you directly with periodic updates, including offering circulars, offering circular supplements, semi-annual pricing supplements, semi-annual information statements and other information.

We will provide such periodic updates electronically through the Fundrise Platform website at www.fundrise.com, and documents will be provided electronically. You may access and print all periodic updates provided through our website. As periodic updates become available, we will notify you of this by sending you an e-mail message that will include instructions on how to retrieve the periodic updates. If our e-mail notification is returned to us as “undeliverable,” we will contact you to obtain your updated e-mail address. We will provide you with paper copies at any time upon request. The contents of the Fundrise Platform website are not incorporated by reference in or otherwise a part of this offering circular.

U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following is a summary of certain U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to our qualification and taxation as a REIT and the acquisition, holding, and disposition of our common shares. For purposes of this section, references to “we,” “us” or our “Company” means only Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC and not its subsidiaries or other lower-tier entities, except as otherwise indicated. This summary is based upon the current Code, current, temporary, and proposed regulations promulgated by the U.S. Treasury Department, current administrative interpretations and practices of the IRS (including administrative interpretations and practices expressed in private letter rulings which are binding on the IRS only with respect to the particular taxpayers who requested and received those rulings) and judicial decisions, all as currently in effect and all of which are subject to differing interpretations or to change, possibly with retroactive effect. No assurance can be given that the IRS would not assert, or that a court would not sustain a position contrary to any of the tax considerations described below. No advance ruling has been or will be sought from the IRS regarding any matter discussed in this summary. Thus, it is possible that the IRS could challenge the statements in this discussion that do not bind the IRS or the courts and that a court could agree with the IRS. The summary is also based upon the assumption that the operation of our Company, and of any subsidiaries and other lower-tier affiliated entities, will be in accordance with its applicable organizational documents and as described in this offering circular. This summary is for general information only, and does not purport to discuss all aspects of U.S. federal income taxation that may be important to a particular shareholder in light of its investment or tax circumstances or to shareholders subject to special tax rules, such as:

- U.S. expatriates;
- persons who mark-to-market our common shares;
- subchapter S corporations;
- U.S. shareholders who are U.S. persons (as defined below) whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar;
- financial institutions;
- insurance companies;
- broker-dealers;
- REITs;
- regulated investment companies;
- trusts and estates;
- holders who receive our common shares through the exercise of employee stock options or otherwise as compensation;
- persons holding our common shares as part of a “straddle,” “hedge,” “short sale,” “conversion transaction,” “synthetic security” or other integrated investment;
- non-corporate taxpayers subject to the alternative minimum tax provisions of the Code;
- persons holding our common shares through a partnership or similar pass-through entity;
- persons holding a 10% or more (by vote or value) beneficial interest in our Company;
· tax exempt organizations, except to the extent discussed below in “—Treatment of Tax Exempt U.S. Shareholders;” and
· non-U.S. persons (as defined below), except to the extent discussed below in “—U.S. Taxation of Non-U.S. Shareholders.”
Except to a limited extent noted below, this summary does not address state, local, or non-U.S. tax considerations. This summary assumes that shareholders will hold our common shares as capital assets, within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Code, which generally means as property held for investment.

For the purposes of this summary, a U.S. person is a beneficial owner of our common shares who for U.S. federal income tax purposes is:

- a citizen or resident of the United States;
- a corporation (including an entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or of a political subdivision thereof (including the District of Columbia);
- an estate whose income is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source; or
- any trust if (1) a U.S. court is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of such trust and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (2) it has a valid election in place to be treated as a U.S. person.

For the purposes of this summary, a U.S. shareholder is a beneficial owner of our common shares who is a U.S. person. A tax exempt organization is a U.S. person who is exempt from U.S. federal income tax under Section 401(a) or 501(a) of the Code. For the purposes of this summary, a non-U.S. person is a beneficial owner of our common shares who is a nonresident alien individual or a non-U.S. corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and a non-U.S. shareholder is a beneficial owner of our common shares who is a non-U.S. person. The term “corporation” includes any entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and the term “partnership” includes any entity treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

THE U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX TREATMENT OF HOLDERS OF OUR COMMON SHARES DEPENDS IN SOME Instances ON DETERMINATIONS OF FACT AND INTERPRETATIONS OF COMPLEX PROVISIONS OF U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX LAW FOR WHICH NO CLEAR PRECEDENT OR AUTHORITY MAY BE AVAILABLE. IN ADDITION, THE TAX CONSEQUENCES OF HOLDING OUR COMMON SHARES TO ANY PARTICULAR SHAREHOLDER WILL DEPEND ON THE SHAREHOLDER’S PARTICULAR TAX CIRCUMSTANCES. YOU ARE URGED TO CONSULT YOUR TAX ADVISOR REGARDING THE U.S. FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL, AND NON-U.S. INCOME AND OTHER TAX CONSEQUENCES TO YOU, IN LIGHT OF YOUR PARTICULAR INVESTMENT OR TAX CIRCUMSTANCES, OF ACQUIRING, HOLDING, AND DISPOSING OF OUR COMMON SHARES.
Taxation of Our Company

We intend to elect to be treated as a REIT under the Code, commencing with the taxable year ending December 31, 2020. A REIT generally is not subject to U.S. federal income tax on the income that it distributes to its shareholders if it meets the applicable REIT distribution and other requirements for qualification. We believe that we will be organized, owned and operated in conformity with the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT under the Code, and that our proposed ownership, organization and method of operation will enable us to meet the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT under the Code. However, given the highly complex nature of the rules governing REITs, the ongoing importance of factual determinations (including with respect to matters that we may not control or for which it is not possible to obtain all the relevant facts) and the possibility of future changes in our circumstances or applicable law, no assurance can be given by us that we will so qualify for any particular year or that the IRS will not challenge our conclusions with respect to our satisfaction of the REIT requirements.

Qualification and taxation as a REIT depends on our ability to meet, on a continuing basis, through actual results of operations, distribution levels, diversity of share ownership and various qualification requirements imposed upon REITs by the Code, discussed below. In addition, our ability to qualify as a REIT may depend in part upon the operating results, organizational structure and entity classification for U.S. federal income tax purposes of certain entities in which we invest, which we may not control. Our ability to qualify as a REIT also requires that we satisfy certain asset and income tests, some of which depend upon the fair market values of assets directly or indirectly owned by us or which serve as security for loans made by us. Such values may not be susceptible to a precise determination. Accordingly, no assurance can be given that the actual results of our operations for any taxable year will satisfy the requirements for qualification and taxation as a REIT.

Taxation of REITs in General

Provided that we qualify as a REIT, we will generally be entitled to a deduction for dividends that we pay and, therefore, will not be subject to U.S. federal corporate income tax on our net taxable income that is currently distributed to our shareholders. This treatment substantially eliminates the “double taxation” at the corporate and shareholder levels that results generally from investment in a corporation. Rather, income generated by a REIT is generally taxed only at the shareholder level, upon a distributions by the REIT.

Even if we qualify for taxation as a REIT, however, we will be subject to U.S. federal income taxation as follows:

- We will be taxed at regular U.S. federal corporate rates on any undistributed income, including capital gain “REIT taxable income,” which is generally the taxable income of the REIT subject to specified adjustments including a deduction for dividends paid.
- If we have net income from “prohibited transactions,” which are, in general, sales or other dispositions of property held primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of business, other than foreclosure property, such income will be subject to a 100% tax. See “—Prohibited Transactions” and “—Foreclosure Property” below.
- If we elect to treat property that we acquire in connection with a foreclosure of a mortgage loan or from certain leasehold terminations as “foreclosure property,” we may thereby avoid (1) the 100% tax on gain from a resale of that property (if the sale would otherwise constitute a prohibited transaction) and (2) treating any income from such property as non-qualifying for purposes of the REIT gross income tests discussed below, provided however, that the gain from the sale of the property or net income from the operation of the property that would not otherwise qualify for the 75% gross income test but for the foreclosure property election will be subject to U.S. federal corporate income tax at the highest applicable rate (currently 21%).
- If we fail to satisfy the 75% gross income test or the 95% gross income test, as discussed below, but nonetheless maintain our qualification as a REIT because other requirements are met, we will be subject to a 100% tax on an amount equal to (1) the greater of (A) the amount by which we fail the 75% gross income test or (B) the amount by which we fail the 95% gross income test, as the case may be, multiplied by (2) a fraction intended to reflect profitability.
If we fail to satisfy any of the REIT asset tests, as described below, other than a failure of the 5% or 10% REIT asset tests that do not exceed a statutory de minimis amount as described more fully below, but our failure is due to reasonable cause and not due to willful neglect and we nonetheless maintain our REIT qualification because of specified cure provisions, we will be required to pay a tax equal to the greater of (i) $50,000 or (ii) the product of the highest corporate tax rate multiplied by the net income generated by the non-qualifying assets during the period in which we failed to satisfy the asset tests.

If we fail to satisfy any provision of the Code that would result in our failure to qualify as a REIT (other than a gross income or asset test requirement) and the violation is due to reasonable cause and not due to willful neglect, we may retain our REIT qualification but we will be required to pay a penalty of $50,000 for each such failure.

If we fail to distribute during each calendar year at least the sum of (1) 85% of our REIT ordinary income for such year, (2) 95% of our REIT capital gain net income for such year and (3) any undistributed taxable income from prior periods (or the required distribution), we will be subject to a 4% excise tax on the excess of the required distribution over the sum of (A) the amounts actually distributed (taking into account excess distributions from prior years), plus (B) retained amounts on which income tax is paid at the corporate level.

We may be required to pay monetary penalties to the IRS in certain circumstances, including if we fail to meet record-keeping requirements intended to monitor our compliance with rules relating to the composition of our shareholders, as described below in “—Requirements for Qualification as a REIT.”

A 100% excise tax may be imposed on some items of income and expense that are directly or constructively paid between us and any TRS and any other TRSs we may own if and to the extent that the IRS successfully adjusts the reported amounts of these items because the reported amounts were not consistent with arm’s length amounts.

If we fail to qualify for taxation as a REIT because we fail to distribute by the end of the relevant year any earnings and profits we inherit from a taxable C corporation during the year (e.g., by tax-free merger or tax-free liquidation), and the failure is not due to fraud with intent to evade tax, we generally may retain our REIT status by paying a special distribution, but we will be required to pay an interest charge on 50% of the amount of undistributed non-REIT earnings and profits.

If we acquire appreciated assets from a corporation that is not a REIT in a transaction in which the adjusted tax basis of the assets in our hands is determined by reference to the adjusted tax basis of the assets in the hands of the non-REIT corporation, we may be subject to tax on such appreciation at the highest U.S. federal corporate income tax rate then applicable if we subsequently recognize gain on a disposition of any such assets during the 5-year period following their acquisition from the non-REIT corporation.

We may elect to retain and pay U.S. federal income tax on our net long-term capital gain. In that case, a shareholder would include its proportionate share of our undistributed long-term capital gain in its income (to the extent we make a timely designation of such gain to the shareholder), would be deemed to have paid the tax that it paid on such gain, and would be allowed a credit for its proportionate share of the tax deemed to have been paid, and an adjustment would be made to increase the shareholder’s basis in our common shares.

We may own subsidiaries that will elect to be treated as TRSs and we may hold investments through such TRSs, the earnings of which will be subject to U.S. federal corporate income tax.

We will generally be subject to tax on the portion of any excess inclusion income derived from an investment in residual interests in real estate mortgage investment conduits (“REMICs”) or “taxable mortgage pools” to the extent our common shares are held in record name by specified tax exempt organizations not subject to tax on unrelated business tax income (“UBTI”) or non-U.S. sovereign investors.

In addition, we may be subject to a variety of taxes other than U.S. federal income tax, including state, local, and non-U.S. income, franchise property and other taxes.

Requirements for Qualification as a REIT

We intend to elect to be taxable as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes for our taxable year ending December 31, 2020 and for all subsequent taxable years. In order to have so qualified, we must meet and continue to meet the requirements discussed below (or as in effect for prior years), relating to our organization, ownership, sources of income, nature of assets and distributions of income to shareholders.
The Code defines a REIT as a corporation, trust or association:

1. that is managed by one or more trustees or directors;
2. the beneficial ownership of which is evidenced by transferable shares or by transferable certificates of beneficial interest;
3. that would be taxable as a domestic corporation but for its election to be subject to tax as a REIT under Sections 856 through 860 of the Code;
4. that is neither a financial institution nor an insurance company subject to specific provisions of the Code;
5. commencing with its second REIT taxable year, the beneficial ownership of which is held by 100 or more persons during at least 335 days of a taxable year of 12 months, or during a proportionate part of a taxable year of less than 12 months;
6. in which, during the last half of each taxable year, commencing with its second REIT taxable year, not more than 50% in value of the outstanding stock is owned, directly or indirectly, by five or fewer “individuals” as defined in the Code to include specified entities (the “5/50 Test”);
7. that makes an election to be a REIT for the current taxable year or has made such an election for a previous taxable year that has not been terminated or revoked and satisfies all relevant filing and other administrative requirements established by the IRS that must be met to elect and maintain REIT status;
8. that has no earnings and profits from any non-REIT taxable year at the close of any taxable year;
9. that uses the calendar year for U.S. federal income tax purposes and complies with the record keeping requirements of the Code and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder; and
10. that meets other tests described below, including with respect to the nature of its income and assets and the amount of its distributions.

For purposes of condition (1), “directors” generally means persons treated as “directors” for purposes of the Investment Company Act, which we believe includes our Manager. Our shares are generally freely transferable, and we believe that the restrictions on ownership and transfers of our shares do not prevent us from satisfying condition (2). Although we are organized as a limited liability company, for U.S. federal income tax purposes we elected to be classified as a corporation in compliance with condition (3). We believe that the shares sold in this offering will allow us to timely comply with conditions (5) and (6). However, depending on the number of shareholders who subscribe for shares in this offering and the timing of subscriptions, we may need to conduct an additional offering of preferred shares to timely comply with (5). For purposes of determining common shares ownership under condition (6) above, a certain stock bonus, pension, or profit-sharing plan, supplemental unemployment compensation benefits plan, a private foundation and a portion of a trust permanently set aside or used exclusively for charitable purposes generally are each considered an individual. A trust that is a qualified trust under Code Section 401(a) generally is not considered an individual, and beneficiaries of a qualified trust generally are treated as holding shares of a REIT in proportion to their actuarial interests in the trust for purposes of condition (6) above.

To monitor compliance with the share ownership requirements, we are generally required to maintain records regarding the actual ownership of our shares. Provided we comply with these record keeping requirements and that we would not otherwise have reason to believe we fail the 5/50 Test after exercising reasonable diligence, we will be deemed to have satisfied the 5/50 Test. In addition, our operating agreement provides restrictions regarding the ownership and transfer of our shares, which are intended to assist us in satisfying the share ownership requirements described above.
For purposes of condition (9) above, we will use a calendar year for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and we intend to comply with the applicable recordkeeping requirements.

Effect of Subsidiary Entities

Ownership of Partnership Interests

In the case of a REIT that is a partner in an entity that is treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the REIT is deemed to own its proportionate share of the partnership’s assets and to earn its proportionate share of the partnership’s gross income based on its pro rata share of capital interests in the partnership for purposes of the asset and gross income tests applicable to REITs, as described below. However, solely for purposes of the 10% value test, described below, the determination of a REIT’s interest in partnership assets will be based on the REIT’s proportionate interest in any securities issued by the partnership, excluding for these purposes, certain excluded securities as described in the Code. For purposes of determining the amount of the REIT’s taxable income that must be distributed, or is subject to tax, the REIT’s share of partnership income is determined under the partnership tax provisions of the Code and will reflect any special allocations of income or loss that are not in proportion to capital interests. Income earned through partnerships retains its character for U.S. federal income tax purposes when allocated among its partners. We intend to obtain covenants from any partnerships in which we invest but do not control to operate in compliance with the REIT requirements, but we may not control any particular partnership into which we invest, and thus no assurance can be given that any such partnerships will not operate in a manner that causes us to fail an income or asset test requirement. In general, partnerships are not subject to U.S. federal income tax. However, if a partnership in which we invest is audited, it may be required to pay the hypothetical increase in partner level taxes (including interest and penalties) resulting from an adjustment of partnership tax items on the audit, unless the partnership elects an alternative method under which the taxes resulting from the adjustment (and interest and penalties) are assessed at the partner level. It is possible that partnerships in which we directly and indirectly invest may be subject to U.S. federal income tax, interest and penalties in the event of a U.S. federal income tax audit.

Disregarded Subsidiaries

If a REIT owns a corporate subsidiary that is a “qualified REIT subsidiary,” that subsidiary is disregarded for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and all assets, liabilities and items of income, deduction and credit of the subsidiary are treated as assets, liabilities and items of income, deduction and credit of the REIT itself, including for purposes of the gross income and asset tests applicable to REITs, as summarized below. A qualified REIT subsidiary is any corporation, other than a TRS, that is wholly-owned by a REIT, by other disregarded subsidiaries of a REIT or by a combination of the two. Single member limited liability companies or other domestic unincorporated entities that are wholly-owned by a REIT are also generally disregarded as separate entities for U.S. federal income tax purposes, including for purposes of the REIT gross income and asset tests unless they elect TRS status. Disregarded subsidiaries, along with partnerships in which we hold an equity interest, are sometimes referred to herein as “pass-through subsidiaries.”

In the event that a disregarded subsidiary ceases to be wholly-owned by us (for example, if any equity interest in the subsidiary is acquired by a person other than us or another disregarded subsidiary of ours), the subsidiary’s separate existence would no longer be disregarded for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Instead, it would have multiple owners and would be treated as either a partnership or a taxable corporation. Such an event could, depending on the circumstances, adversely affect our ability to satisfy the various asset and gross income tests applicable to REITs, including the requirement that REITs generally may not own, directly or indirectly, more than 10% of the value or voting power of the outstanding securities of another corporation. See “—Asset Tests” and “—Gross Income Tests.”

Taxable REIT Subsidiaries

A REIT, in general, may jointly elect with a subsidiary corporation, whether or not wholly-owned, to treat the subsidiary corporation as a TRS. The separate existence of a TRS or other taxable corporation, unlike a disregarded subsidiary as discussed above, is not ignored for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Accordingly, such an entity would generally be subject to U.S. federal income tax on its taxable income, which may reduce the cash flow generated by us and our subsidiaries in the aggregate and our ability to make distributions to our shareholders.
A REIT is not treated as holding the assets of a TRS or other taxable subsidiary corporation or as receiving any income that the subsidiary earns. Rather, the stock issued by the subsidiary is an asset in the hands of the REIT, and the REIT generally recognizes dividend income when it receives distributions of earnings from the subsidiary. This treatment can affect the gross income and asset test calculations that apply to the REIT, as described below. Because a parent REIT does not include the assets and income of its TRSs in determining the parent REIT’s compliance with the REIT requirements, such entities may be used by the parent REIT to undertake indirectly activities that the REIT rules might otherwise preclude the parent REIT from doing directly or through pass-through subsidiaries. If dividends are paid to us by one or more domestic TRSs we may own, then a portion of the dividends that we distribute to shareholders who are taxed at individual rates generally will be eligible for taxation at preferential qualified dividend income tax rates rather than at ordinary income rates. See “—Taxation of Taxable U.S. Shareholders” and “—Annual Distribution Requirements.”

We may hold certain investments through one or more TRSs, including property that we believe would be treated as held primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of our trade or business for U.S. federal income tax purposes and that cannot be sold within a statutory safe harbor to avoid the 100% tax on “prohibited transactions” that otherwise would apply to gain from the sale of such property. Generally, a TRS can perform impermissible tenant services without causing us to receive impermissible tenant services income from those services under the REIT income tests. A TRS may also engage in other activities that, if conducted by us other than through a TRS, could result in the receipt of non-qualified income or the ownership of non-qualified assets. However, several provisions regarding the arrangements between a REIT and its TRSs ensure that a TRS will be subject to an appropriate level of U.S. federal income taxation. For example, we will be obligated to pay a 100% penalty tax on some payments that we receive or certain other amounts or on certain expenses deducted by the TRS if the economic arrangements among us, our tenants and/or the TRS are not comparable to similar arrangements among unrelated parties. While we intend to manage the size of our TRSs and dividends from our TRSs in a manner that permits us to qualify as a REIT, it is possible that the equity investments appreciate to the point where our TRSs exceed the thresholds mandated by the REIT rules. In such cases, we could lose our REIT status if we are unable to satisfy certain exceptions for failing to satisfy the REIT income and asset tests. In any event, any earnings attributable to equity interests held in TRSs or origination activity conducted by TRSs will be subject to U.S. federal corporate income tax, and the amount of such taxes could be substantial.

To the extent we hold an interest in a non-U.S. TRS, we may be required to include our portion of its earnings in our income irrespective of whether or not such non-U.S. TRS has made any distributions. Any such income will not be qualifying income for purposes of the 75% gross income test and may not be qualifying income for purposes of the 95% gross income test.

**Taxable Mortgage Pools**

We may enter into transactions that could result in us being considered to own interests in one or more taxable mortgage pools. An entity, or a portion of an entity, is classified as a taxable mortgage pool under the Code if:

- substantially all of its assets consist of debt obligations or interests in debt obligations;
- more than 50% of those debt obligations are real estate mortgage loans or interests in real estate mortgage loans as of specified testing dates;
- the entity has issued debt obligations that have two or more maturities; and
- the payments required to be made by the entity on its debt obligations “bear a relationship” to the payments to be received by the entity on the debt obligations that it holds as assets.
A taxable mortgage pool generally is treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. However, special rules apply to a REIT, a portion of a REIT, or a qualified REIT subsidiary that is a taxable mortgage pool. If a REIT owns, directly or indirectly through one or more qualified REIT subsidiaries or other entities that are disregarded as a separate entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, 100% of the equity interests in the taxable mortgage pool, the taxable mortgage pool will be a qualified REIT subsidiary and, therefore, ignored as an entity separate from the REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes and would not generally affect the tax qualification of the REIT. Rather, the consequences of the taxable mortgage pool classification would generally, except as described below, be limited to the REIT’s shareholders. See “—Excess Inclusion Income.”

If we own less than 100% of the ownership interests in a subsidiary that is a taxable mortgage pool, the foregoing rules would not apply. Rather, the subsidiary would be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and could be subject to corporate income tax. In addition, this characterization would alter our REIT income and asset test calculations and could adversely affect our compliance with those requirements.

**Certain Equity Investments and Kickers**

We expect to hold certain equity investments (with rights to receive preferred economic returns) in entities treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes and may hold “kickers” in entities treated as partnerships for U.S. federal income tax purposes (and may hold such a kicker outside of a TRS). When we hold investments treated as equity in partnerships, as discussed above, for purposes of the REIT income and asset tests we are required to include our proportionate share of the assets and income of the partnership, based on our share of partnership capital, as if we owned such share of the issuer’s assets directly. As a result, any nonqualifying income generated, or nonqualifying assets held, by the partnerships in which we hold such equity could jeopardize our compliance with the REIT income and asset tests. We intend to obtain covenants from our equity issuers (including a kicker issuer if the kicker is held outside of a TRS) to operate in compliance with the REIT requirements, but we generally will not control such issuers, and thus no assurance can be given that any such issuers will not operate in a manner that causes us to fail an income or asset test requirement. Moreover, at least one IRS internal memorandum would treat the preferred return on certain equity investments as interest income for purposes of the REIT income tests, which treatment would cause such amounts to be nonqualifying income for purposes of the 75% gross income test. Although we do not believe that interest income treatment is appropriate, and that analysis was not followed in subsequent IRS private letter rulings, the IRS could re-assert that position.

In some, or many, cases, the proper characterization of certain equity investments (with rights to receive preferred economic returns) as unsecured indebtedness or as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes may be unclear. Characterization of such an equity investment as unsecured debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes would subject the investment to the various asset test limitations on investments in unsecured debt, and our preferred return would be treated as non-qualifying income for purposes of the 75% gross income test (but we would not have to include our share of the underlying assets and income of the issuer in our tests). Thus, if the IRS successfully challenged our characterization of an investment as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes, or successfully treated a preferred return as interest income, we could fail an income or asset test. In that event, we could face substantial penalty taxes to cure the resulting violations, as described in “— Failure to Qualify” below, or, if we were deemed to have acted unreasonably in making the investment, lose our REIT status. Conversely, we also could fail an applicable income or asset test if we have treated a preferred equity investment as indebtedness for U.S. federal income tax purposes and the IRS successfully characterizes the investment as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

**Gross Income Tests**

In order to maintain our qualification as a REIT, we annually must satisfy two gross income tests. First, at least 75% of our gross income for each taxable year, exclusive of specified gains, must be derived from sources that qualify under the 75% gross income test described above, as well as other dividends, interest, and gains from the sale or disposition of stock or securities, which need not have any relation to real property.
Rental Income

Rents we receive will qualify as rents from real property in satisfying the gross income requirements for a REIT described above only if several conditions are met. First, the amount of rent must not be based in whole or in part on the income or profits derived by any person from such real property. However, an amount received or accrued generally will not be excluded from the term “rents from real property” solely by reason of being based on a fixed percentage or percentages of receipts or sales. Second, rents received from a “related party tenant” will not qualify as rents from real property in satisfying the gross income tests unless the tenant is a TRS and either (i) at least 90% of the property is leased to unrelated tenants and the rent paid by the TRS is substantially comparable to the rent paid by the unrelated tenants for comparable space, or (ii) the property leased is a “qualified lodging facility,” as defined in Section 856(d)(9)(D) of the Code, or a “qualified health care property,” as defined in Section 856(e)(6)(D)(i) of the Code, and certain other conditions are satisfied. A tenant is a related party tenant if the REIT, or an actual or constructive owner of 10% or more of the REIT, actually or constructively owns 10% or more of the tenant. Third, if rent attributable to personal property, leased in connection with a lease of real property, is greater than 15% of the total rent received under such lease (determined based on the fair market values as of the beginning and end of the taxable year), then the portion of rent attributable to the personal property will not qualify as rents from real property.

Generally, for rents to qualify as rents from real property for the purpose of satisfying the gross income tests, we may provide directly only an insignificant amount of services, unless those services are “usually or customarily rendered” in connection with the rental of real property and not otherwise considered “rendered to the occupant.” Accordingly, we may not provide “impermissible services” to tenants (except through an independent contractor from whom we derive no revenue and that meets other requirements or through a TRS) without giving rise to “impermissible tenant service income.” Impermissible tenant service income is deemed to be at least 150% of the direct cost to us of providing the service. If the impermissible tenant service income exceeds 1% of our total income from a property, then all of the income from that property will fail to qualify as rents from real property. If the total amount of impermissible tenant service income from a property does not exceed 1% of our total income from the property, the services will not disqualify any other income from the property that qualifies as rents from real property, but the impermissible tenant service income will not qualify as rents from real property.

We do not anticipate deriving rents based in whole or in part on the income or profits of any person, rents from related party tenants, and/or rents attributable to personal property leased in connection with real property that exceeds 15% of the total rents from that property, in sufficient amounts to jeopardize our status as REIT. We also do not anticipate deriving impermissible tenant service income that exceeds 1% of our total income from any property if the treatment of the rents from such property as non-qualifying rents would jeopardize our status as a REIT.

Interest Income

Interest income constitutes qualifying mortgage interest for purposes of the 75% gross income test to the extent that the obligation is secured by a mortgage on real property. If we receive interest income with respect to a mortgage loan that is secured by both real property and other property and the highest outstanding balance of the loan during a taxable year exceeds the fair market value of the real property on the date of our commitment to make or purchase the mortgage loan, the interest income will be apportioned between the real property and the other property, and our income from the arrangement will qualify for purposes of the 75% gross income test only to the extent that the interest is allocable to the real property. With respect to loans to develop or improve real property, we are permitted to include as real property collateral for the foregoing apportionment purposes the sum of the fair market value of the undeveloped land plus the reasonably estimated cost of the improvements or developments (other than personal property) which will secure the loan and which are to be constructed from the proceeds of the loan. The failure of a loan to qualify as an obligation secured by a mortgage on real property within the meaning of the REIT rules could adversely affect our ability to qualify as a REIT. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a mortgage loan secured by both real property and personal property shall be treated as a wholly qualifying real estate asset (as discussed below under “– Asset Tests”) and all interest shall be qualifying income for the purposes of the 75% gross income test if the fair market value of such personal property does not exceed 15% of the total fair market value of all such property, even if the real property collateral value is less than the outstanding principal balance of the loan.
In the event a mortgage loan is modified, with the exception of loans secured by both real property and personal property in which the fair market value of the personal property does not exceed 15% of the total fair market value of all such property, we may be required to retest the loan under the apportionment rules discussed above by comparing the outstanding balance of the modified loan to the fair market value of the collateral real property at the time of modification.

Even if a loan is not secured by real property or is undersecured, the income that it generates may nonetheless qualify for purposes of the 95% gross income test.

To the extent that the terms of a loan provide for contingent interest that is based on the cash proceeds realized upon the sale of the property securing the loan (or a shared appreciation provision), income attributable to the participation feature will be treated as gain from sale of the underlying property for purposes of the income tests, and generally will be qualifying income for purposes of both the 75% and 95% gross income tests, provided that the property is not inventory or dealer property in the hands of the borrower or us. To the extent that we derive interest income from a loan where all or a portion of the amount of interest payable is contingent, such income generally will qualify for purposes of the gross income tests only if it is based upon the gross receipts or sales and not the net income or profits of any person. This limitation does not apply, however, to a mortgage loan where the borrower derives substantially all of its income from the property. To the extent that rents from real property had been earned directly by us, the rental income derived by the borrower would qualify as rents from real property.

Any amount includible in our gross income with respect to a regular or residual interest in a REMIC generally is treated as interest on an obligation secured by a mortgage on real property. If, however, less than 95% of the assets of a REMIC consists of real estate assets (determined as if we held such assets), we will be treated as receiving directly our proportionate share of the income of the REMIC for purposes of determining the amount that is treated as interest on an obligation secured by a mortgage on real property.

Among the assets we may hold are certain mezzanine loans secured by equity interests in a pass-through entity that directly or indirectly owns real property, rather than a direct mortgage on the real property. The IRS issued Revenue Procedure 2003-65, which provides a safe harbor pursuant to which a mezzanine loan, if it meets each of the requirements contained in the Revenue Procedure, will be treated by the IRS as a real estate asset for purposes of the REIT asset tests, and interest derived from it will be treated as qualifying mortgage interest for purposes of the 75% gross income test. Although the Revenue Procedure provides a safe harbor on which taxpayers may rely, it does not prescribe rules of substantive tax law. Structuring a mezzanine loan to meet the requirements of the safe harbor may not always be practical, and the mezzanine loans that we acquire may not meet all of the requirements for reliance on this safe harbor. Hence, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not challenge the qualification of such assets as real estate assets or the interest generated by these loans as qualifying income under the 75% gross income test. To the extent we make corporate mezzanine loans or acquire other commercial real estate corporate debt, such loans will not qualify as real estate assets and interest income with respect to such loans will not be qualifying income for purposes of the 75% gross income test.

We may hold indirect participation interests in some loans, rather than direct ownership of the loan. The borrower on the underlying loan is typically not a party to the participation agreement. The performance of this investment depends upon the performance of the underlying loan and, if the underlying borrower defaults, the participant typically has no recourse against the originator of the loan. The originator often retains a senior position in the underlying loan and grants junior participations which absorb losses first in the event of a default by the borrower. We generally expect to treat our participation interests as an undivided ownership interest in the underlying loan, and thus as a qualifying real estate asset for purposes of the REIT asset tests that also generates qualifying mortgage interest for purposes of the 75% gross income test, to the extent that the loan underlying the participation is a qualifying real estate asset that generates qualifying income for such purposes. The appropriate treatment of participation interests for U.S. federal income tax purposes is not entirely certain, however, and no assurance can be given that the IRS will not challenge our treatment of our participation interests. In the event of a determination that such participation interests do not qualify as real estate assets, or that the income that we derive from such participation interests does not qualify as mortgage interest for purposes of the REIT asset and income tests, we could be subject to a penalty tax, or could fail to qualify as a REIT.
We expect that any mortgage backed securities that we invest in will be treated either as interests in a grantor trust or as interests in a REMIC for U.S. federal income tax purposes and that all interest income from such mortgage backed securities will be qualifying income for the 95% gross income test. In the case of mortgage backed securities treated as interests in grantor trusts, we would be treated as owning an undivided beneficial ownership interest in the mortgage loans held by the grantor trust. The interest on such mortgage loans, and any mortgage loans that we own directly, would be qualifying income for purposes of the 75% gross income test to the extent that the obligation is adequately secured by real property, as discussed above. In the case of mortgage backed securities treated as interests in a REMIC for U.S. federal income tax purposes, income derived from REMIC interests will generally be treated as qualifying income for purposes of the 75% and 95% gross income tests. However, if less than 95% of the assets of the REMIC are real estate assets, then only a proportionate part of our interest in the REMIC and income derived from the interest will qualify for purposes of the 75% gross income test. We expect that any interest income from mortgage backed securities that are not treated as an interest in a grantor trust or an interest in a REMIC will not be qualifying income for purposes of the 75% gross income test. Mortgage loans that may be held by a grantor trust or REMIC may not necessarily qualify as “real estate assets” for purposes of the REIT rules. As a result, it may be difficult, if not impossible, to determine whether income from certain CMBS investments will be qualifying 75% gross income. In addition, some REMIC securitizations include imbedded interest swap or cap contracts or other derivative instruments that potentially could produce non-qualifying income for the holder of the related REMIC securities.

**Fee Income**

Although not currently contemplated, we may receive various fees and expense reimbursements from borrowers in connection with originating loans. Fees that are for entering into agreements to make loans are qualifying income for both gross income tests. Other fees that are treated as “points” are treated as additional interest on the loan and are qualifying or nonqualifying based on whether the loan is a real estate asset. However, fees for services will not be qualifying income for purposes of both the 75% and 95% gross income tests. In addition, certain expense reimbursements received from the borrower, and even certain expenses paid by the borrower directly to a third party service provider, may result in nonqualifying income for both gross income tests to the extent such amounts are reimbursements for expenses that benefit us. Any fees earned by a TRS will not be included for purposes of the gross income tests but the use of a TRS to originate loans to avoid such nonqualifying income may increase the taxes paid by the TRS.

**Dividend Income**

We may receive material distributions from our TRSs. These distributions are generally classified as dividend income to the extent of the earnings and profits of the distributing corporation. Such distributions generally constitute qualifying income for purposes of the 95% gross income test, but not the 75% gross income test.

If we invest in an entity treated as a “passive investment foreign company” or “controlled foreign corporation” for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which could include a CDO investment, we could be required to include our portion of its earnings in our income prior to the receipt of any distributions. Any such income inclusions would not be treated as qualifying income for purposes of the 75% gross income test but based on IRS guidance are expected to be qualifying income for purposes of the 95% gross income test.

**Sale-Leaseback Transactions**

We may enter into sale-leaseback transactions. It is possible that the IRS could take the position that specific sale-leaseback transactions (or certain other leases) we treat as true leases are not true leases for U.S. federal income tax purposes but are, instead, financing arrangements or loans. Successful recharacterization of a sale-leaseback transaction (or any other lease) as a financing arrangement or loan could jeopardize our REIT status.
Treatment of Certain Debt Instruments as Equity

We may hold loans with relatively high loan-to-value ratios and/or high yields. Additionally, we may receive equity interests in our borrowers in connection with originating our loans. These features can cause a loan to be treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Although we intend to structure each of our loans so that the loan should be respected as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not challenge our treatment of one or more of our loans as debt for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In the event the IRS were successful in such a challenge, we could be deemed to hold non-qualifying assets, and all or a portion of the income from such loans could be viewed as guaranteed payments under the partnership tax rules, in which case such income may not be qualifying income for the REIT income tests, and in any event such income will likely be income from a prohibited transaction, which is excluded from the REIT income tests. As a result, such a recharacterization could adversely affect our ability to qualify as a REIT.

Phantom Income

Due to the nature of the assets in which we may invest, we may be required to recognize taxable income from those assets in advance of our receipt of cash flow on or proceeds from disposition of such assets, and may be required to report taxable income in early periods that exceeds the economic income ultimately realized on such assets. For example, we may originate debt instruments or mortgage backed securities at a discount from face value. To the extent we originate any instruments at a discount or purchase such instruments at a discount in connection with their original issuance, the discount will be “original issue discount” if it exceeds certain de minimis amounts, which must be accrued on a constant yield method even though we may not receive the corresponding cash payment until maturity. In such cases, the value of the equity interest would result in discount that must be accrued over the life of the loan. We may also acquire debt instruments that provide for interest that accrues or is payable in kind, in which case we will be required to include that income for tax purposes as it accrues rather than when it is paid in cash. To the extent we purchase debt instruments at a discount after their original issuance, the discount may represent “market discount.” Unlike original issue discount, market discount is not required to be included in income on a constant yield method. However, we will be required to treat a portion of any principal payments as ordinary income in an amount equal to the market discount that has accrued while we held the debt instrument. If we ultimately collect less on a debt instrument than our purchase price and any original issue discount or accrued market discount that we have included in income, there may be limitations on our ability to use any losses resulting from that debt instrument.

We may make loans that provide us with rights to participate in the appreciation of the collateral real property securing our debt instrument at specified times or that provide for other contingent payments based on the borrower’s performance. In circumstances where such equity features are part of the loan and not treated as a separate equity investment, we generally will be required to accrue for tax purposes the projected increase in the yield on the loan attributable to the participation feature or contingent payments over the term of the loan, even though we do not receive any cash attributable to the participation feature or contingent payments until some point in the future, if ever. In circumstances where our equity participation is structured as a separate interest from the loans, we will be required to allocate the amount we pay for the loan and the equity interest between those securities and, depending on the circumstances, such allocation may result in additional discount on the loan that must be accrued for tax purposes over the life of the loan (even though no corresponding cash payment is made until later).

We may also acquire debt instruments below par that are subsequently modified by agreement with the borrower. Under applicable Treasury Regulations, these modifications may be treated as a taxable event in which we exchange the old debt instrument for a new debt instrument, the value of which may be treated as equal to the face amount of the new debt instrument. Because our tax basis in such debt instruments may be substantially less than the face value, we could have significant income without any corresponding receipt of cash. Such a modification also may require us to retest the status of the modified loan for purposes of determining whether the loan is fully secured by real property.
In addition, in the event that any debt instruments acquired by us are delinquent as to mandatory principal and interest payments, or in the event payments with respect to a particular debt instrument are not made when due, we may nonetheless be required to continue to accrue the unpaid interest as taxable income.

Finally, we may be required under the terms of our indebtedness to use cash received from interest payments to make nondeductible principal payments on that indebtedness, with the effect of recognizing income but not having a corresponding amount of cash available for distribution to our shareholders.

Due to each of these potential timing differences between income recognition or expense deduction and cash receipts or disbursements, there is a significant risk that we may have substantial taxable income in excess of cash available for distribution. In that event, we may need to borrow funds or take other action to satisfy the REIT distribution requirements for the taxable year in which this “phantom income” is recognized. See “—Annual Distribution Requirements.”

Failure to Satisfy the Gross Income Tests

We intend to monitor our sources of income, including any non-qualifying income received by us, and manage our assets so as to ensure our compliance with the gross income tests. We cannot assure you, however, that we will be able to satisfy the gross income tests. If we fail to satisfy one or both of the 75% or 95% gross income tests for any taxable year, we may still qualify as a REIT for the year if we are entitled to relief under applicable provisions of the Code. These relief provisions will generally be available if our failure to meet these tests was due to reasonable cause and not due to willful neglect and, following the identification of such failure, we set forth a description of each item of our gross income that satisfies the gross income tests in a schedule for the taxable year filed in accordance with the Treasury Regulations. It is not possible to state whether we would be entitled to the benefit of these relief provisions in all circumstances. If these relief provisions are inapplicable to a particular set of circumstances involving us, we will not qualify as a REIT. As discussed above under “—Taxation of REITs in General,” even where these relief provisions apply, a tax would be imposed upon the profit attributable to the amount by which we fail to satisfy the particular gross income test.

Asset Tests

At the close of each calendar quarter, we must also satisfy five tests relating to the nature of our assets. First, at least 75% of the value of our total assets must be represented by some combination of “real estate assets,” cash, cash items, and U.S. Government securities. For this purpose, real estate assets include loans secured by mortgages on real property or on interests in real property to the extent described below, certain mezzanine loans and mortgage backed securities as described below, interests in real property (such as land, buildings, leasehold interests in real property and personal property leased with real property if the rents attributable to the personal property would be rents from real property under the income tests discussed above), shares in other qualifying REITs, debt instruments issued by publicly offered REITs, and stock or debt instruments held for less than one year purchased with the proceeds from an offering of our common shares or certain debt. Second, not more than 25% of our assets may be represented by securities other than those in the 75% asset test. Third, of the assets that do not qualify for purposes of the 75% test and that are not securities of our TRSs: (i) the value of any one issuer’s securities owned by us may not exceed 5% of the value of our gross assets, and (ii) we generally may not own more than 10% of any one issuer’s outstanding securities, as measured by either voting power or value. Fourth, the aggregate value of all securities of TRSs held by us may not exceed 20% of the value of our gross assets. Fifth, not more than 25% of the value of our gross assets may be represented by debt instruments of publicly offered REITs that are not secured by mortgages on real property or interests in real property.

The 10% value test does not apply to certain “straight debt” and other excluded securities, as described in the Code, including any loan to an individual or an estate, any obligation to pay rents from real property and any security issued by a REIT. In addition, (1) a REIT’s interest as a partner in a partnership is not considered a security for purposes of applying the 10% value test; (2) any debt instrument issued by a partnership (other than straight debt or other excluded security) will not be considered a security issued by the partnership if at least 75% of the partnership’s gross income is derived from sources that would qualify for the 75% gross income test; and (3) any debt instrument issued by a partnership (other than straight debt or other excluded security) will not be considered a security issued by the partnership to the extent of the REIT’s interest as a partner in the partnership.
For purposes of the 10% value test, “straight debt” means a written unconditional promise to pay on demand on a specified date a sum certain in money if (1) the debt is not convertible, directly or indirectly, into stock and (2) the interest rate and interest payment dates are not contingent on profits, the borrower’s discretion, or similar factors other than certain contingencies relating to the timing and amount of principal and interest payments, as described in the Code. In the case of an issuer which is a corporation or a partnership, securities that otherwise would be considered straight debt will not be so considered if we, and any of our “controlled taxable REIT subsidiaries” as defined in the Code, hold any securities of the corporate or partnership issuer which (A) are not straight debt or other excluded securities (prior to the application of this rule), and (B) have an aggregate value greater than 1% of the issuer’s outstanding securities (including, for the purposes of a partnership issuer, our interest as a partner in the partnership). As a result, the straight debt exception would not be available to us with respect to a loan where we also hold an equity participation in the borrower through a TRS.

Except as provided below, a real estate mortgage loan that we own generally will be treated as a real estate asset for purposes of the 75% REIT asset test if, on the date that we acquire or originate the mortgage loan, the value of the real property securing the loan is equal to or greater than the principal amount of the loan. Existing IRS guidance provides that certain rules described above that are applicable to the gross income tests may apply to determine what portion of a mortgage loan will be treated as a real estate asset if the mortgage loan is secured both by real property and other assets. Under special guidance issued by the IRS, if the value of the mortgage loan exceeds the greater of the current value of the real property securing the loan and the value of the real property securing the loan at the time we committed to acquire the loan, such excess will not be a qualifying real estate asset. Furthermore, we may be required to retest modified loans to determine if the modified loan is adequately secured by real property as of the modification date if the modification results in a taxable exchange. However, under special guidance issued by the IRS, if a loan modification occurred as a result of default or we reasonably believed that there was a significant risk of default and the modification reduced such risk, we generally would not be required to retest such modified loan. Notwithstanding the foregoing, as discussed above under “—Gross Income Tests – Interest Income,” a mortgage loan secured by both real property and personal property shall be treated as a wholly qualifying real estate asset if the fair market value of such personal property does not exceed 15% of the total fair market value of all such property, even if the real property collateral is less than the outstanding principal balance on the loan.

As discussed above under “—Gross Income Tests,” certain loans that we might originate could be at risk of being treated as equity interests in the borrower for U.S. federal income tax purposes. In such cases, we would likely be treated as owning our proportionate share of the borrower’s assets (if the borrower is a pass-through entity) or as owning corporate stock (if the borrower is a corporation), which could adversely affect our ability to comply with the asset tests.

As discussed above under “—Gross Income Tests,” there may be circumstances in which our mezzanine loans do not comply with the safe harbor under Revenue Procedure 2003-65. To the extent that any of our mezzanine loans do not meet all of the requirements for reliance on the safe harbor set forth in the Revenue Procedure, such loans may not be real estate assets and could adversely affect our REIT status.

As discussed above under “—Gross Income Tests,” participation interests in loans that we acquire may not be treated as direct interests in the underlying mortgage loan, which may cause the participation interest to not qualify as a real estate asset. While we intend that any such participation interests will be structured in a manner so as to be treated for REIT purposes as equivalent to a direct interest in the loan, and therefore, as a real estate asset, there can be no guarantee that such treatment is respected by the IRS.

Regular or residual interests in REMICs are generally treated as a real estate asset. If, however, less than 95% of the assets of a REMIC consists of real estate assets (determined as if we held such assets), we will be treated as owning our proportionate share of the assets of the REMIC. The IRS has issued guidance providing that, among other things, if a REIT holds a regular or residual interest in an “eligible REMIC” that informs the REIT that at least 80% of the REMIC’s assets constitute real estate assets, then the REIT may treat 80% of the value of the interest in the REMIC as a real estate asset for the purpose of the REIT asset tests. The remaining 20% of the value of the REIT’s interest in the REMIC would not qualify as a real estate asset for purposes of the REIT asset tests and could adversely affect our ability to qualify as a REIT. In the case of interests in grantor trusts, we will be treated as owning an undivided beneficial interest in the mortgage loans held by the grantor trust. Such mortgage loans will generally qualify as real estate assets for purposes of the 75% asset test to the extent they are secured by real property. Investments in mortgage backed securities that are not interests in a grantor trust or REMIC or government securities will not be treated as qualifying assets for purposes of the 75% asset test and will be subject to the 5% asset test, the 10% value test, the 10% vote test and the 25% securities test described above.
We may enter into repurchase agreements under which we will nominally sell certain of our assets to a counterparty and simultaneously enter into an agreement to repurchase the sold assets. We generally believe that we will be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as the owner of the assets that are the subject of any such repurchase agreement and the repurchase agreement will be treated as a secured lending transaction notwithstanding that we may transfer record ownership of the assets to the counterparty during the term of the agreement. It is possible, however, that the IRS could successfully assert that we did not own the assets during the term of the repurchase agreement, which could impact our REIT status.

We believe that our assets and loan holdings have complied or will comply with the above asset tests commencing with the close of our first calendar quarter and that we can operate so that we can continue to comply with those tests. However, our ability to satisfy these asset tests depends upon our analysis of the characterization and fair market values of our assets, some of which are not susceptible to a precise determination, and for which we will not obtain independent appraisals. For example, we may hold significant assets through our TRSs, and we cannot provide any assurance that the IRS will not disagree with our determinations.

**Failure to Satisfy Asset Tests**

After initially meeting the asset tests at the close of any quarter, we will not lose our qualification as a REIT for failure to satisfy the asset tests at the end of a later quarter solely by reason of changes in asset values. If we fail to satisfy the asset tests because we acquire assets during a quarter, we can cure this failure by disposing of sufficient non-qualifying assets within 30 days after the close of that quarter. If we fail the 5% asset test, or the 10% vote or value asset tests at the end of any quarter and such failure is not cured within 30 days thereafter, we may dispose of sufficient assets (generally within six months after the last day of the quarter in which the identification of the failure to satisfy these asset tests occurred) to cure such a violation that does not exceed the lesser of 1% of our assets at the end of the relevant quarter or $10 million. If we fail any of the other asset tests or our failure of the 5% and 10% asset tests is in excess of the de minimis amount described above, as long as such failure was due to reasonable cause and not willful neglect, we are permitted to avoid disqualification as a REIT, after the 30 day cure period, by taking steps, including the disposition of sufficient assets to meet the asset test (generally within six months after the last day of the quarter in which we identified the failure to satisfy the REIT asset test) and paying a tax equal to the greater of (x) $50,000 or (y) the amount determined by multiplying the net income generated during a specified period by the assets that cause the failure by the highest U.S. federal income tax rate applicable to corporations.

**Hedging Transactions**

We may enter into hedging transactions with respect to one or more of our assets or liabilities. Hedging transactions could take a variety of forms, including interest rate swap agreements, interest rate cap agreements, options, forward rate agreements or similar financial instruments. Except to the extent provided by Treasury Regulations, any income from a hedging transaction, including gain from the sale or disposition of such a transaction, will not constitute gross income for purposes of the 75% or 95% gross income test if (i) we enter into the hedging transaction in the normal course of business primarily to manage risk of interest rate or price changes or currency fluctuations with respect to borrowings made or to be made, or ordinary obligations incurred or to be incurred, to acquire or carry real estate assets, and the hedge is clearly identified as specified in Treasury Regulations before the close of the day on which it was acquired, originated, or entered into, (ii) we enter into the hedging transaction primarily to manage risk of currency fluctuations with respect to any item of income or gain that would be qualifying income under the 75% or 95% gross income tests or (iii) we enter into the hedging transaction that hedges against transactions described in clause (i) or (ii) and is entered into in connection with the extinguishment of debt or sale of property that are being hedged against by the transactions described in clauses (i) or (ii) and the hedge complies with certain identification requirements. To the extent that we enter into other types of hedging transactions, including hedges of interest rates on any debt we acquire as assets, or do not make proper tax identifications, as applicable, the income from those transactions is likely to be treated as non-qualifying income for purposes of both of the 75% and 95% gross income tests. We intend to structure any hedging transactions in a manner that does not jeopardize its qualification as a REIT, but there can be no assurance that we will be successful in this regard. No assurances can be given, however, that our hedging activities will not give rise to income that does not qualify for purposes of either or both of the gross income tests and that such income will not adversely affect our ability to satisfy the REIT qualification requirements.
Annual Distribution Requirements

In order to qualify as a REIT, we are required to distribute dividends, other than capital gain dividends, to our shareholders in an amount at least equal to:

(a) the sum of:
   - 90% of our “REIT taxable income” (computed without regard to its deduction for dividends paid and its net capital gains); and
   - 90% of the net income (after tax), if any, from foreclosure property (as described below); minus

(b) the sum of specified items of non-cash income that exceeds a percentage of our income.

These distributions must be paid in the taxable year to which they relate or in the following taxable year if such distributions are declared in October, November or December of the taxable year, are payable to shareholders of record on a specified date in any such month and are actually paid before the end of January of the following year. Such distributions are treated as both paid by us and received by each shareholder on December 31 of the year in which they are declared. In addition, at our election, a distribution for a taxable year may be declared before we timely file our tax return for the year and be paid with or before the first regular dividend payment after such declaration, provided that such payment is made during the 12-month period following the close of such taxable year. These distributions are taxable to our shareholders in the year in which paid, even though the distributions relate to our prior taxable year for purposes of the 90% distribution requirement.

In order for distributions to be counted towards our distribution requirement and to give rise to a tax deduction by us, they must not be “preferential dividends.” A dividend is not a preferential dividend if it is pro rata among all outstanding shares of stock within a particular class and is in accordance with the preferences among different classes of stock as set forth in the organizational documents. To avoid paying preferential dividends, we must treat every shareholder of the class of shares with respect to which we make a distribution the same as every other shareholder of that class, and we must not treat any class of shares other than according to its dividend rights as a class. Under certain technical rules governing deficiency dividends, we could lose our ability to cure an under-distribution in a year with a subsequent year deficiency dividend if we pay preferential dividends. Preferential dividends potentially include “dividend equivalent redemptions.” Accordingly, we intend to pay dividends pro rata within each class, and to abide by the rights and preferences of each class of our shares if there is more than one, and will seek to avoid dividend equivalent redemptions. (See “— Taxation of U.S. Shareholders — Redemptions of Common Shares” below for a discussion of when redemptions are dividend equivalent and measures we intend to take to avoid them.) If, however, we qualify as a "publicly offered REIT" (within the meaning of Section 562(c) of the Code) in the future, the preferential dividend rules will cease to apply to us. In addition, the IRS is authorized to provide alternative remedies to cure a failure to comply with the preferential dividend rules, but as of the date hereof, no such authorized procedures have been promulgated.
To the extent that we distribute at least 90%, but less than 100%, of our “REIT taxable income,” as adjusted, we will be subject to tax at ordinary U.S. federal corporate tax rates on the retained portion. In addition, we may elect to retain, rather than distribute, our net long-term capital gains and pay tax on such gains. In this case, we could elect to have our shareholders include their proportionate share of such undistributed long-term capital gains in income and receive a corresponding credit or refund, as the case may be, for their proportionate share of the tax paid by us. Our shareholders would then increase the adjusted basis of their stock in us by the difference between the designated amounts included in their long-term capital gains and the tax deemed paid with respect to their proportionate shares.

If we fail to distribute during each calendar year at least the sum of (1) 85% of our REIT ordinary income for such year, (2) 95% of our REIT capital gain net income for such year and (3) any undistributed taxable income from prior periods, we will be subject to a 4% excise tax on the excess of such required distribution over the sum of (x) the amounts actually distributed (taking into account excess distributions from prior periods) and (y) the amounts of income retained on which we have paid corporate income tax. We intend to make timely distributions so that we are not subject to the 4% excise tax.

It is possible that we, from time to time, may not have sufficient cash from operations to meet the distribution requirements, for example, due to timing differences between the actual receipt of cash and the inclusion of the corresponding items in income by us for U.S. federal income tax purposes prior to receipt of such income in cash or non-deductible expenditures. In the event that such shortfalls occur, to meet our distribution requirements it might be necessary to arrange for short-term, or possibly long-term, borrowings, use cash reserves, liquidate non-cash assets at rates or times that we regard as unfavorable or pay dividends in the form of taxable stock dividends. In the case of a taxable stock dividend, shareholders would be required to include the dividend as income and would be required to satisfy the tax liability associated with the distribution with cash from other sources.

We may be able to rectify a failure to meet the distribution requirements for a year by paying “deficiency dividends” to shareholders in a later year, which may be included in our deduction for dividends paid for the earlier year. In this case, we may be able to avoid losing our qualification as a REIT or being taxed on amounts distributed as deficiency dividends. However, we will be required to pay interest and a penalty based on the amount of any deduction taken for deficiency dividends.

In the event that we undertake a transaction (such as a tax-free merger) in which we succeed to earnings and profits of a taxable corporation, in addition to the distribution requirements above we also must distribute such non-REIT earnings and profits to our shareholders by the close the taxable year of the transaction. Such additional dividends are not deductible against our REIT taxable income. We may be able to rectify a failure to distribute any such non-REIT earnings and profits by making distributions in a later year comparable to deficiency dividends noted above and paying an interest charge.

Liquidating distributions generally will be treated as dividends for purposes of the above rules to the extent of current earnings and profits in the year paid provided we complete our liquidation within 24 months following our adoption of a plan of liquidation. Compliance with this 24 month requirement could require us to sell assets at unattractive prices, distribute unsold assets to a “liquidating trust” for the benefit of our shareholders, or terminate our status as a REIT. The U.S. federal income tax treatment of a beneficial interest in a liquidating trust would vary significantly from the U.S. federal income treatment of ownership of our shares.
Excess Inclusion Income

If we directly or indirectly acquire a residual interest in a REMIC or equity interests in a taxable mortgage pool, a portion of our income from such arrangements may be treated as “excess inclusion income.” See “—Effect of Subsidiary Entities—Taxable Mortgage Pools.” We are required to allocate any excess inclusion income to our shareholders in proportion to their dividends. We would be subject to U.S. corporate tax to the extent of any excess inclusion income from the REMIC residual interest or taxable mortgage pool that is allocable to the percentage of our shares held in record name by “disqualified organizations,” which are generally certain cooperatives, governmental entities and tax-exempt organizations that are exempt from tax on UBTI. Our operating agreement allows us to deduct such taxes from the distributions otherwise payable to the responsible disqualified organizations. Because this tax would be imposed on our Company, however, unless we can recover the tax out of distributions to the disqualified holders, all of our investors, including investors that are not disqualified organizations, would bear a portion of the tax cost associated with the classification of our Company or a portion of our assets as a taxable mortgage pool.

Shareholders who are not disqualified organizations will have to treat our dividends as excess inclusion income to the extent of their allocable shares of our excess inclusion income. This income cannot be offset by net operating losses of our shareholders. If the shareholder is a tax-exempt entity and not a disqualified organization, then this income is fully taxable as UBTI under Section 512 of the Code. If the shareholder is a foreign person, it would be subject to U.S. federal income tax withholding on this income without reduction or exemption pursuant to any otherwise applicable income tax treaty. If the shareholder is a REIT, a regulated investment company, common trust fund or other pass-through entity, the shareholder’s allocable share of our excess inclusion income could be considered excess inclusion income of such entity.

Prohibited Transactions

Net income we derive from a prohibited transaction outside of a TRS is subject to a 100% tax unless the transaction qualifies for a statutory safe harbor discussed below. The term “prohibited transaction” generally includes a sale or other disposition of property (other than foreclosure property) that is held as inventory or primarily for sale to customers, in the ordinary course of a trade or business by a REIT. The 100% tax will not apply to gains from the sale of property held through a TRS or other taxable corporations (which are taxed at regular corporate rates).

Our opportunistic business strategy likely will include investments that risk being characterized as investments in properties held primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of a trade or business. Thus, we intend to comply with the statutory safe harbor when selling properties outside of a TRS (or when our joint ventures sell properties outside of a TRS) that we believe might reasonably be characterized as held primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of a trade or business for U.S. federal income tax purposes, but compliance with the safe harbor may not always be practical. Moreover, because the determination of whether property is held primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of a trade or business is a question of fact that depends on all the facts and circumstances, the IRS or a court might disagree with our determination that any particular property was not so held and therefore assert that a non-safe harbored sale of such property was subject to the 100% penalty tax on the gain from the disposition of the property. One of the factors considered by the courts in determining whether a taxpayer held property primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of a trade or business is the frequency and continuity of sales. While the 100% tax will not apply to a safe-harbored sale, safe-harbored sales generally would be taken into account in assessing the frequency and continuity of our sales activity for purposes of analyzing sales outside of the safe harbor.

The potential application of the prohibited transactions tax could cause us to forego potential dispositions of other property or to forego other opportunities that might otherwise be attractive to us (such as developing property for sale), or to undertake such dispositions or other opportunities through a TRS, which would generally result in corporate income taxes being incurred. The amount of such TRS taxes could be substantial.
Foreclosure Property

Foreclosure property is real property and any personal property incident to such real property (1) that is acquired by a REIT as a result of the REIT having bid on the property at foreclosure or having otherwise reduced the property to ownership or possession by agreement or process of law after there was a default (or default was imminent) on a lease of the property or a mortgage loan held by the REIT and secured by the property, (2) for which the related loan or lease was acquired by the REIT at a time when default was not imminent or anticipated and (3) for which such REIT makes a proper election to treat the property as foreclosure property. REITs generally are subject to tax at the maximum U.S. federal corporate rate on any net income from foreclosure property, including any gain from the disposition of the foreclosure property, other than income that would otherwise be qualifying income for purposes of the 75% gross income test. Any gain from the sale of property for which a foreclosure property election is in effect will not be subject to the 100% tax on gains from prohibited transactions described above, even if the property would otherwise constitute inventory or property held for sale in the hands of the selling REIT.

Shared Appreciation Mortgages/Equity Participations

In connection with our acquisition and/or origination of loans, we could obtain rights to share in the appreciation of the underlying collateral real property securing the mortgage loan. These participation features may be structured as “shared appreciation provisions” that are in connection with the loan itself or as a severable contingent right on the collateral. The participation features are sometimes referred to as “kickers.” To the extent the shared appreciation provision is in connection with the loan secured by real property, any income derived from the shared appreciation provision will be treated as gain from the sale of the collateral property for REIT income test purposes and for purposes of determining whether such income is income from a prohibited transaction. However, this treatment will not impact the character of the shared appreciation payment as contingent interest for other tax purposes. To the extent a participation feature is structured as a severable contingent right in the collateral property, or otherwise does not meet the definition of “shared appreciation provision,” we may either be treated as owning an equity interest in the collateral property for the REIT income and asset tests or as holding a loan that provides for interest based on net profits, which would not be qualifying income for both the 75% and 95% gross income tests. We may hold severable contingent rights through a TRS, in which case they will be subject to corporate tax but will not generate non-qualifying income (except to the extent of TRS dividends for the 75% gross income test) or non-qualifying assets (except to the extent of the additional value in the TRS stock).

Failure to Qualify

In the event that we violate a provision of the Code that would result in our failure to qualify as a REIT, we may nevertheless continue to qualify as a REIT under specified relief provisions available to us to avoid such disqualification if (i) the violation is due to reasonable cause and not due to willful neglect, (ii) we pay a penalty of $50,000 for each failure to satisfy a requirement for qualification as a REIT and (iii) the violation does not include a violation under the gross income or asset tests described above (for which other specified relief provisions are available). This cure provision reduces the instances that could lead to our disqualification as a REIT for violations due to reasonable cause. If we fail to qualify for taxation as a REIT in any taxable year and none of the relief provisions of the Code apply, we will be subject to U.S. federal corporate income tax. Distributions to our shareholders in any year in which we are not a REIT will not be deductible by us, nor will they be required to be made. In this situation, to the extent of current or accumulated earnings and profits, and subject to limitations of the Code, distributions to our shareholders will generally be taxable as qualified dividend income. Subject to certain limitations, dividends in the hands of our corporate U.S. shareholders may be eligible for the dividends received deduction. Unless we are entitled to relief under the specific statutory provisions, we will also be disqualified from re-electing to be taxed as a REIT for the four taxable years following a year during which qualification was lost. It is not possible to state whether, in all circumstances, we will be entitled to statutory relief.
This section summarizes the taxation of U.S. shareholders that are not tax exempt organizations.

**Distributions**

Provided that we qualify as a REIT, distributions made to our taxable U.S. shareholders out of our current or accumulated earnings and profits, and not designated as capital gain dividends, will generally be taken into account by them as ordinary dividend income and will not be eligible for the dividends received deduction for corporations. Dividends received from REITs are generally not eligible to be taxed at the preferential qualified dividend income rates applicable to individual U.S. shareholders who receive dividends from taxable subchapter C corporations. However, for taxable years before January 1, 2026, non-corporate U.S. shareholders may deduct 20% of “qualified REIT dividends.” Qualified REIT dividends eligible for this deduction generally will include our dividends received by a non-corporate U.S. shareholder that we do not designate as capital gain dividends and that are not qualified dividend income. If we fail to qualify as a REIT, such shareholders may not claim this deduction with respect to dividends paid by us. As discussed above, if we realize excess inclusion income from a residual interest in REMIC or a taxable mortgage pool and allocate such excess inclusion income to a taxable U.S. shareholder, that income cannot be offset by net operating losses of such shareholder.

Distributions from us that are designated as capital gain dividends will be taxed to U.S. shareholders as long-term capital gains, to the extent that they do not exceed our actual net capital gain for the taxable year, without regard to the period for which the U.S. shareholder has held our common shares. To the extent that we elect under the applicable provisions of the Code to retain our net capital gains, U.S. shareholders will be treated as having received, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, our undistributed capital gains as well as a corresponding credit or refund, as the case may be, for taxes paid by us on such retained capital gains. U.S. shareholders will increase their adjusted tax basis in our common shares by the difference between their allocable share of such retained capital gain and their share of the tax paid by us. Corporate U.S. shareholders may be required to treat up to 20% of some capital gain dividends as ordinary income. Long-term capital gains are generally taxable at maximum U.S. federal rates of 20% in the case of U.S. shareholders who are individuals and 21% for corporations. Capital gains attributable to the sale of depreciable real property held for more than 12 months generally are subject to a 25% maximum U.S. federal income tax rate for U.S. shareholders who are individuals, to the extent of previously claimed depreciation deductions.

Distributions from us in excess of our current or accumulated earnings and profits will not be taxable to a U.S. shareholder to the extent that they do not exceed our actual net capital gain for the taxable year, but rather will reduce the adjusted tax basis of these shares. To the extent that such distributions exceed the adjusted tax basis of a U.S. shareholder’s common shares, they will be treated as gain from the disposition of the shares and thus will be included in income as long-term capital gain, or short-term capital gain if the shares have been held for one year or less.

To the extent that we have available net operating losses and capital losses carried forward from prior tax years, such losses, subject to limitations, may reduce the amount of distributions that must be made in order to comply with the REIT distribution requirements. See “—Taxation of Our Company” and “—Annual Distribution Requirements.” Such losses, however, are not passed through to U.S. shareholders and do not offset income of U.S. shareholders from other sources, nor do they affect the character of any distributions that are actually made by us.

**Dispositions of Our Common Shares**

In general, capital gains recognized by individuals and other non-corporate U.S. shareholders upon the sale or disposition of our common shares will be subject to tax at capital gains rates, if such shares were held for more than one year, and will be taxed at ordinary income rates if such shares were held for one year or less. Gains recognized by U.S. shareholders that are corporations are subject to U.S. federal corporate income tax, whether or not classified as long-term capital gains.
Capital losses recognized by a U.S. shareholder upon the disposition of our common shares held for more than one year at the time of disposition will be considered long-term capital losses (or short-term capital losses if the shares have not been held for more than one year), and are generally available only to offset capital gain income of the U.S. shareholder but not ordinary income (except in the case of individuals, who may offset up to $3,000 of ordinary income each year). In addition, any loss upon a sale or exchange of our common shares by a U.S. shareholder who has held the shares for six months or less, after applying holding period rules, will be treated as a long-term capital loss to the extent of distributions received from us that were required to be treated by the U.S. shareholder as long-term capital gain.

Redemptions of Common Shares

A redemption of shares will be treated under Section 302 of the Code as a taxable distribution unless the redemption satisfies one of the tests set forth in Section 302(b) of the Code enabling the redemption to be treated as a sale or exchange of the redeemed shares. A redemption that is not treated as a sale or exchange will be taxed in the same manner as regular distributions (e.g., ordinary dividend income to the extent paid out of earnings and profits unless properly designated as a capital gain dividend), and a redemption treated as a sale or exchange will be taxed in the same manner as other taxable sales discussed above.

The redemption will be treated as a sale or exchange if it (i) is “substantially disproportionate” with respect to the shareholder, (ii) results in a “complete termination” of the shareholder’s interest in us, or (iii) is “not essentially equivalent to a dividend” with respect to the shareholder, all within the meaning of Section 302(b) of the Code. In determining whether any of these tests have been met, shares considered to be owned by the shareholder by reason of certain constructive ownership rules set forth in the Code, as well as shares actually owned, must generally be taken into account. Because the determination as to whether any of the alternative tests of Section 302(b) of the Code is satisfied with respect to any particular redemption will depend upon the facts and circumstances as of the time the determination is made and the constructive ownership rules are complicated, prospective shareholders are advised to consult their own tax advisers to determine such tax treatment.

If a redemption of shares is treated as a distribution that is taxable as a dividend, the amount of the distribution would be measured by the amount of cash and the fair market value of the property received by the redeeming shareholder. In addition, although guidance is sparse, the IRS could take the position that shareholders who do not participate in any redemption treated as a dividend should be treated as receiving a constructive stock distribution taxable as a dividend in the amount of the increased percentage ownership in us as a result of the redemption, even though such shareholder did not actually receive cash or other property as a result of such redemption. The amount of any such constructive dividend would be added to the nonredeeming shareholder’s basis in his shares. It also is possible that under certain technical rules relating to the deduction for dividends paid, the IRS could take the position that redemptions taxed as dividends impair our ability to satisfy our distribution requirements under the Code. To avoid certain issues related to our ability to comply with the REIT distribution requirements (see “— Qualification as a REIT — Annual Distribution Requirements”), we have implemented procedures designed to track our shareholders’ percentage interests in our common shares and identify any such dividend equivalent redemptions, and we will decline to effect a redemption to the extent that we believe that it would constitute a dividend equivalent redemption. However, we cannot assure you that we will be successful in preventing all dividend equivalent redemptions.
**Liquidating Distributions**

Once we have adopted (or are deemed to have adopted) a plan of liquidation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, liquidating distributions received by a U.S. shareholder with respect to our common shares will be treated first as a recovery of the shareholder’s basis in the shares (computed separately for each block of shares) and thereafter as gain from the disposition of our common shares. In general, the U.S. federal income tax rules applicable to REITs likely will require us to complete our liquidation within 24 months following our adoption of a plan of liquidation. Compliance with this 24 month requirement could require us to distribute unsold assets to a “liquidating trust.” Each shareholder would be treated as receiving a liquidating distribution equal to the value of the liquidating trust interests received by the shareholder. The U.S. federal income tax treatment of ownership an interest in any such liquidating trust would differ materially from the U.S. federal income tax treatment of an investment in our shares.

**Medicare Tax on Unearned Income**

U.S. shareholders that are individuals, estates or trusts may be required to pay an additional 3.8% tax on, among other things, dividends on our common shares (without regard to the 20% deduction on ordinary REIT dividends) and capital gains from the sale or other disposition of stock. U.S. shareholders should consult their tax advisors regarding the effect, if any, of these rules on their ownership and disposition of our common shares.

**Treatment of Tax Exempt U.S. Shareholders**

U.S. tax exempt entities, including qualified employee pension and profit sharing trusts and individual retirement accounts, generally are exempt from U.S. federal income taxation. However, they are subject to taxation on their UBTI. While many investments in real estate may generate UBTI, the IRS has ruled that regular distributions from a REIT to a tax exempt entity do not constitute UBTI. Based on that ruling, and provided that (1) a tax exempt U.S. shareholder has not held our common shares as “debt financed property” within the meaning of the Code (that is, where the acquisition or holding of the property is financed through a borrowing by the tax exempt shareholder) and (2) we do not hold REMIC residual interests or interests in a taxable mortgage pool that gives rise to “excess inclusion income,” distributions from us and income from the sale of our common shares generally should not give rise to UBTI to a tax exempt U.S. shareholder. Excess inclusion income from REMIC residual interests or interests in a taxable mortgage pool, if any, that we allocate to a tax-exempt U.S. shareholder will be treated as UBTI (or, in the case of a disqualified organization, taxable to us).

Tax exempt U.S. shareholders that are social clubs, voluntary employee benefit associations or supplemental unemployment benefit trusts plans exempt from U.S. federal income taxation under Sections 501(c)(7), (c)(9) or (c)(17) of the Code, respectively, are subject to different UBTI rules, which generally will require them to characterize distributions from us as UBTI.

A pension trust (1) that is described in Section 401(a) of the Code, (2) is tax exempt under Section 501(a) of the Code, and (3) that owns more than 10% of our stock could be required to treat a percentage of the dividends from us as UBTI if we are a “pension-held REIT.” We will not be a pension-held REIT unless (1) either (A) one pension trust owns more than 25% of the value of our common shares, or (B) a group of pension trusts, each individually holding more than 10% of the value of our common shares, collectively owns more than 50% of such common shares; and (2) we would not have satisfied the 5/50 Test but for a special rule that permits us to “look-through” such trusts to the ultimate beneficial owners of such trusts in applying the 5/50 Test.

In general, the U.S. federal income tax rules applicable to REITs will require us to complete our liquidation within 24 months following our adoption of a plan of liquidation. Compliance with this 24 month requirement could require us to distribute unsold assets to a liquidating trust. The U.S. federal income tax treatment of ownership an interest in any such liquidating trust would differ materially from the U.S. federal income tax treatment of an investment in our common shares, including the potential incurrence of income treated as UBTI.

Tax exempt U.S. shareholders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the U.S. federal, state, local and non-U.S. tax consequences of owning our common shares.
U.S. Taxation of Non-U.S. Shareholders

General

In general, non-U.S. shareholders will not be considered to be engaged in a U.S. trade or business solely as a result of their ownership of our common shares. In cases where a non-U.S. shareholder’s investment in our common shares is, or is treated as, effectively connected with the non-U.S. shareholder’s conduct of a U.S. trade or business, dividend income received in respect of our common shares and gain from the sale of our common shares generally will be “effectively connected income” (“ECI”) subject to U.S. federal income tax at graduated rates in the same manner as if the non-U.S. shareholder were a U.S. shareholder, and such dividend income may also be subject to the 30% branch profits tax (subject to possible reduction under a treaty) on the income after the application of the income tax in the case of a non-U.S. shareholder that is a corporation. Additionally, non-U.S. shareholders that are nonresident alien individuals who are present in the U.S. for 183 days or more during the taxable year and have a “tax home” in the U.S. are subject to a 30% withholding tax on their capital gains. The remaining discussion below assumes the dividends and gain generated in respect of our common shares is not effectively connected to a U.S. trade or business of the non-U.S. shareholder and that the non-U.S. shareholder is not present in the U.S. for more than 183 days during any taxable year.

FIRPTA

Under the Foreign Investment in Real Property Tax Act (“FIRPTA”), gains from U.S. real property interests (“USRPIs”) are generally treated as ECI subject to U.S. federal income tax at graduated rates in the same manner as if the non-U.S. shareholder were a U.S. shareholder (and potentially branch profits tax to non-U.S. corporations), and will generate return filing obligations in the United States for such non-U.S. shareholders. USRPIs for purposes of FIRPTA generally include interests in real property located in the United States and loans that provide the lender with a participation in the profits, gains, appreciation (or similar arrangements) of real property located in the United States. Loans secured by real property located in the United States that do not provide the lender with a participation in profits, gains, appreciation (or similar arrangements) of the real property are generally not treated as USRPIs.

In addition, stock of a domestic corporation (including a REIT such as us) will be a USRPI if at least 50% of its real property assets and assets used in a trade or business are USRPIs at any time during a prescribed testing period. We expect that our USRPIs will exceed 50% of our assets. Notwithstanding the foregoing rule, our common shares will not be a USRPI (i) if we are “domestically-controlled,” (ii) with respect to a selling non-U.S. shareholder if the shares sold are of a class that is regularly traded on an established securities market and the selling non-U.S. shareholder owned, actually or constructively, 10% or less of our outstanding stock of that class at all times during a specified testing period (generally the lesser of the five year period ending on the date of disposition or the period of our existence), (iii) with respect to a selling non-U.S shareholder that is a “qualified shareholder” (as described below) or (iv) with respect to a selling non-U.S. shareholder that is a “qualified foreign pension fund” (as described below).

A domestically controlled REIT is a REIT in which, at all times during a specified testing period (generally the lesser of the five year period ending on the date of disposition of the REIT’s common shares or the period of the REIT’s existence), less than 50% in value of its outstanding common shares is held directly or indirectly by foreign persons. For these purposes, a person holding less than 5% of our common shares for five years will be treated as a U.S. person unless we have actual knowledge that such person is not a U.S. person.

Our shares are not currently traded on an established securities market, and we have no current intent to list our shares for trading. We also cannot assure you that we will be domestically-controlled at all times in the future. Thus, we cannot assure you that our common shares are is not or will not become USRPIs in the future.

Ordinary Dividends

The portion of dividends received by non-U.S. shareholders payable out of our earnings and profits that are not attributable to gains from sales or exchanges of USRPIs, and that we do not designate as a capital gains dividend, will generally be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax at the rate of 30%, unless reduced or eliminated by an applicable income tax treaty. Under some treaties, however, lower rates generally applicable to dividends do not apply to dividends from REITs (or are not as favorable for REIT dividends as compared to non-REITs). In addition, any portion of the dividends paid to non-U.S. shareholders that are treated as excess inclusion income from REMIC residual interests or interests in a taxable mortgage pool will not be eligible for exemption from the 30% withholding tax or a reduced treaty rate.
Non-Dividend Distributions

A non-U.S. shareholder should not incur tax on a distribution not attributable to gain from our sale or exchange of a USRPI and in excess of our current and accumulated earnings and profits if the excess portion of the distribution does not exceed the adjusted basis of its common shares. Instead, the excess portion of the distribution will reduce the adjusted basis of its common shares. A non-U.S. shareholder generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a distribution that exceeds both our current and accumulated earnings and profits and the adjusted basis of its stock unless our common shares constitute USRPIs and no other exception applies to the selling non-U.S. shareholder. If our common shares are USRPIs and no other exception applies to the selling non-U.S. shareholder, distributions in excess of both our earnings and the non-U.S. shareholder’s basis in our common shares will be treated as ECI subject to U.S. federal income tax. Regardless of whether the distribution exceeds basis, we will be required to withhold 15% of any distributions to non-U.S. shareholders in excess of our current year and accumulated earnings (i.e., including distributions that represent a return of the non-U.S. shareholder’s tax basis in our common shares). The withheld amounts will be credited against any U.S. tax liability of the non-U.S. shareholder, and may be refundable to the extent such withheld amounts exceed the shareholder’s actual U.S. federal income tax liability. Even in the event our common shares are not USRPIs, we may choose to withhold on the entire amount of any distribution at the same rate as we would withhold on a dividend because we may not be able to determine at the time we make a distribution whether or not the distribution will exceed our current and accumulated earnings and profits. However, a non-U.S. shareholder may obtain a refund of amounts that we withhold if we later determine that a distribution in fact exceeded our current and accumulated earnings and profits, to the extent such withheld amounts exceed the shareholder’s actual U.S. federal income tax liability.

Capital Gain Dividends and Distributions of FIRPTA Gains

Subject to the exceptions that may apply if our common shares are regularly traded on an established securities market or if the selling non-U.S. shareholder is a “qualified shareholder” or a “qualified foreign pension fund,” each as described below, under a FIRPTA “look-through” rule, any of our distributions to non-U.S. shareholders of gain attributable to the sale of a USRPI will be treated as ECI and subject to the 21% FIRPTA withholding regardless of whether our common shares constitute a USRPI. Amounts treated as ECI under the look-through rule may also be subject to the 30% branch profits tax (subject to possible reduction under a treaty), after the application of the income tax to such ECI, in the case of a non-U.S. shareholder that is a corporation. In addition, we will be required to withhold tax at the highest U.S. federal corporate income tax rate on the maximum amount that could have been designated as capital gains dividends. Capital gain dividends received by a non-U.S. shareholder that are attributable to dispositions of our assets other than USRPIs are not subject to U.S. federal income tax. This FIRPTA look through rule also applies to distributions in redemption of shares and liquidating distributions, to the extent they represent distributions of gain attributable to the sale of a USRPI.

A distribution that would otherwise have been treated as gain from the sale of a USRPI under the FIRPTA look-through rule will not be treated as ECI, and instead will be treated as otherwise described herein without regard to the FIRPTA look-through rule, if (i) the distribution is received with respect to a class of stock that is regularly traded on an established securities market located in the United States, and (ii) the recipient non-U.S. shareholder does not own more than 10% of that class of stock at any time during the one-year period ending on the date on which the distribution is received. We currently are not publicly traded and such rules will not apply unless and until our common shares become “regularly traded” on an established securities exchange in the future.

Dispositions of Our Common Shares

A sale of our common shares by a non-U.S. shareholder generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax unless our shares are a USRPI. Subject to the exceptions that may apply if our common shares were regularly traded on an established securities market (as described above), if our shares are a USRPI, gain from the sale of our shares would be ECI to the non-U.S. shareholder unless such non-U.S. shareholder were a qualified shareholder or a qualified foreign pension fund, each as described below. If our shares are not a USRPI, gain from the sale of our shares would not be subject to U.S. federal income tax.
To the extent our common shares are held directly (or indirectly through one or more partnerships) by a “qualified shareholder,” our common shares will not be treated as a USRPI. Thus, gain from the sale or exchange of our shares including any distributions treated as gain recognized from the sale or exchange of our common shares will not be subject to tax unless such gain is treated as effectively connected with the qualified shareholder’s conduct of a U.S. trade or business. Further, to the extent such treatment applies, any distribution to such shareholder will not be treated as gain recognized from the sale or exchange of a USRPI (and capital gain dividends and non-dividend distributions to such shareholder may be treated as ordinary dividends). For these purposes, a qualified shareholder is generally a non-U.S. shareholder that (i)(A) is eligible for treaty benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that includes an exchange of information program, and the principal class of interests of which is listed and regularly traded on one or more stock exchanges as defined by the treaty, or (B) is a foreign limited partnership organized in a jurisdiction with an exchange of information agreement with the United States and that has a class of regularly traded limited partnership units (having a value greater than 50% of the value of all partnership units) on the New York Stock Exchange or Nasdaq, (ii) is a “qualified collective investment vehicle” (within the meaning of Section 897(k)(3)(B) of the Code) and (iii) maintains records of persons holding 5% or more of the class of interests described in clauses (i)(A) or (i)(B) above. However, in the case of a qualified shareholder having one or more “applicable investors,” the exception described in the first sentence of this paragraph will not apply to the applicable percentage of the qualified shareholder’s common shares (with “applicable percentage” generally meaning the percentage of the value of the interests in the qualified shareholder held by applicable investors after applying certain constructive ownership rules). The applicable percentage of the amount realized by a qualified shareholder on the disposition of our shares or with respect to a distribution from us attributable to gain from the sale or exchange of a USRPI will be treated as amounts realized from the disposition of USRPI. Such treatment will also apply to applicable investors in respect of distributions treated as a sale or exchange of our shares with respect to a qualified shareholder. For these purposes, an “applicable investor” is a person (other than a qualified shareholder) who generally holds an interest in the qualified shareholder and holds more than 10% of our common shares applying certain constructive ownership rules.

For FIRPTA purposes, a “qualified foreign pension fund” will not be treated as a non-U.S. shareholder, and any entity all of the interests of which are held by a qualified foreign pension fund will be treated as such a fund. A “qualified foreign pension fund” is an organization or arrangement (i) created or organized under the laws of a foreign country, (ii) established to provide retirement or pension benefits to current or former employees (including self-employed individuals) or their designees by either (A) a foreign country (or one or more political subdivision thereof) as a result of services rendered by such employees to their employers, or (B) one or more employers in consideration for services rendered by such employees to such employers, (iii) which does not have a single participant or beneficiary that has a right to more than 5% of its assets or income, (iv) which is subject to government regulation and with respect to which annual information about its beneficiaries is provided, or is otherwise available, to relevant local tax authorities in the country in which it is established or operates and (v) with respect to which, under its local laws, (A) contributions that would otherwise be subject to tax are deductible or excluded from its gross income or taxed at a reduced rate, or (B) taxation of its investment income is deferred, or such income is excluded from its gross income or taxed at a reduced rate.

Redemptions and Liquidating Distributions

A redemption of shares by a non-U.S. shareholder will be treated as a regular distribution or as a sale or exchange of the redeemed shares under the same rules of Section 302 of the Code that apply to U.S. shareholders and which are discussed above under “Taxation of Taxable U.S. Shareholders—Redemptions of Common Shares.” Subject to the FIRPTA look-through rule, (i) if our shares are a USRPI, gain from a redemption treated as a sale or exchange of our shares would be ECI to the non-U.S. shareholder unless such non-U.S. shareholder were a qualified shareholder or qualified foreign pension fund, as described above, and (ii) if our shares are not a USRPI, gain from a redemption treated as a sale or exchange of our shares would not be subject to U.S. federal income tax. In general, the U.S. federal income tax rules applicable to REITs will require us to complete our liquidation within 24 months following our adoption of a plan of liquidation. Compliance with this 24 month requirement could require us to distribute unsold assets to a “liquidating trust.” The U.S. federal income tax treatment of ownership an interest in such liquidating trust would differ materially from the U.S. federal income tax treatment of an investment in our common shares, including the potential inclusion of income treated as ECI and the likely requirement to file U.S. federal income tax returns.
The IRS takes the view that under the FIRPTA look-through rule, but subject to the exceptions described above that may apply to a holder of no more than 10% of our common shares if our common shares are regularly traded on an established securities market, to a qualified shareholder or to a qualified foreign pension fund, distributions in redemption of our common shares and liquidating distributions to non-U.S. shareholders will be treated as ECI and subject to withholding at the highest U.S. federal corporate income tax rate, and also potentially subject to branch profits tax in the case of corporate non-U.S. shareholders, to the extent that the distributions are attributable to gain from the sale of a USRPI, regardless of whether our common shares are USRPIs and regardless of whether the distribution is otherwise treated as a sale or exchange.
Backup Withholding and Information Reporting

We will report to our U.S. shareholders and the IRS the amount of dividends paid during each calendar year and the amount of any tax withheld. Under the backup withholding rules, a U.S. shareholder may be subject to backup withholding with respect to dividends paid unless the holder is a corporation or comes within other exempt categories and, when required, demonstrates this fact or provides a taxpayer identification number or social security number, certifies as to no loss of exemption from backup withholding and otherwise complies with applicable requirements of the backup withholding rules. A U.S. shareholder that does not provide his or her correct taxpayer identification number or social security number may also be subject to penalties imposed by the IRS. Backup withholding is not an additional tax. In addition, we may be required to withhold a portion of dividends or capital gain distribution to any U.S. shareholder who fails to certify their non-foreign status.

We must report annually to the IRS and to each non-U.S. shareholder the amount of dividends paid to such holder and the tax withheld with respect to such dividends, regardless of whether withholding was required. Copies of the information returns reporting such dividends and withholding may also be made available to the tax authorities in the country in which the non-U.S. shareholder resides under the provisions of an applicable income tax treaty. A non-U.S. shareholder may be subject to backup withholding unless applicable certification requirements are met.

Payment of the proceeds of a sale of our common shares within the United States is subject to both backup withholding and information reporting unless the beneficial owner certifies under penalties of perjury that it is a non-U.S. shareholder (and the payor does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that the beneficial owner is a U.S. person) or the holder otherwise establishes an exemption. Payment of the proceeds of a sale of our common shares conducted through certain U.S. related financial intermediaries is subject to information reporting (but not backup withholding) unless the financial intermediary has documentary evidence in its records that the beneficial owner is a non-U.S. shareholder and specified conditions are met or an exemption is otherwise established.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules may be allowed as a refund or a credit against such holder’s U.S. federal income tax liability provided the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

Foreign Accounts and FATCA

Federal legislation commonly referred to as “FATCA” currently imposes withholding taxes on certain U.S. source passive payments to “foreign financial institutions” and certain other non-U.S. entities. Under this legislation, the failure to comply with additional certification, information reporting and other specified requirements could result in withholding tax being imposed on payments of dividends to U.S. shareholders who own our common shares through foreign accounts or foreign intermediaries and certain non-U.S. shareholders. The legislation imposes a 30% withholding tax on dividends on our common shares paid to a foreign financial institution or to a foreign entity other than a financial institution, unless (i) the foreign financial institution undertakes certain diligence and reporting obligations or (ii) the foreign entity is not a financial institution and either certifies it does not have any substantial U.S. owners or furnishes identifying information regarding each substantial U.S. owner. If the payee is a foreign financial institution (that is not otherwise exempt), it must either (1) enter into an agreement with the U.S. Treasury Department requiring, among other things, that it undertake to identify accounts held by certain U.S. persons or U.S.-owned foreign entities, annually report certain information about such accounts, and withhold 30% on payments to account holders whose actions prevent it from complying with these reporting and other requirements or (2) in the case of a foreign financial institution that is resident in a jurisdiction that has entered into an intergovernmental agreement to implement FATCA, comply with the revised diligence and reporting obligations of such intergovernmental agreement. Prospective investors should consult their tax advisors regarding this legislation.


State, Local and Non-U.S. Taxes

We and our shareholders may be subject to state, local or non-U.S. taxation in various jurisdictions, including those in which it or they transact business, own property or reside. The state, local or non-U.S. tax treatment of us and our shareholders may not conform to the U.S. federal income tax treatment discussed above. Any non-U.S. taxes incurred by us would not pass through to shareholders as a credit against their U.S. federal income tax liability. Prospective shareholders should consult their tax advisors regarding the application and effect of state, local and non-U.S. income and other tax laws on an investment in our common shares.

Legislative or Other Actions Affecting REITs

The rules dealing with U.S. federal income taxation are constantly under review by persons involved in the legislative process and by the IRS and the U.S. Department of the Treasury. No assurance can be given as to whether, when, or in what form, U.S. federal income tax laws applicable to us and our shareholders may be enacted. Changes to the U.S. federal income tax laws and interpretations of U.S. federal income tax laws could adversely affect an investment in our common shares.
ERISA CONSIDERATIONS

ERISA is a broad statutory framework that governs most U.S. retirement and other U.S. employee benefit plans. ERISA and the rules and regulations of the Department of Labor (the “DOL”) under ERISA contain provisions that should be considered by fiduciaries of employee benefit plans subject to the provisions of Title I of ERISA (“ERISA Plans”) and their legal advisors. In particular, a fiduciary of an ERISA Plan should consider whether an investment in our common shares (or, in the case of a participant-directed defined contribution plan (a “Participant-Directed Plan”), making our common shares available for investment under the Participant-Directed Plan) satisfies the requirements set forth in Part 4 of Title I of ERISA, including the requirements that (1) the investment satisfy the prudence and diversification standards of ERISA, (2) the investment be in the best interests of the participants and beneficiaries of the ERISA Plan, (3) the investment be permissible under the terms of the ERISA Plan’s investment policies and governing instruments and (4) the investment does not give rise to a non-exempt prohibited transaction under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

In determining whether an investment in our common shares (or making our shares available as an investment option under a Participant-Directed Plan) is prudent for ERISA purposes, a fiduciary of an ERISA Plan should consider all relevant facts and circumstances including, without limitation, possible limitations on the transferability of our common shares, whether the investment provides sufficient liquidity in light of the foreseeable needs of the ERISA Plan (or the participant account in a Participant-Directed Plan), and whether the investment is reasonably designed, as part of the ERISA Plan’s portfolio, to further the ERISA Plan’s purposes, taking into consideration the risk of loss and the opportunity for gain (or other return) associated with the investment. It should be noted that we will invest our assets in accordance with the investment objectives and guidelines described herein, and that neither our Manager nor any of its affiliates has any responsibility for developing any overall investment strategy for any ERISA Plan (or the participant account in a Participant-Directed Plan) or for advising any ERISA Plan (or participant in a Participant-Directed Plan) as to the advisability or prudence of an investment in us. Rather, it is the obligation of the appropriate fiduciary for each ERISA Plan (or participant in a Participant-Directed Plan) to consider whether an investment in our common shares by the ERISA Plan (or making such shares available for investment under a Participant-Directed Plan in which event it is the obligation of the participant to consider whether an investment in our common shares is advisable), when judged in light of the overall portfolio of the ERISA Plan, will meet the prudence, diversification and other applicable requirements of ERISA.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code prohibit certain transactions involving the assets of an ERISA Plan, as well as those plans that are not subject to ERISA but that are subject to Section 4975 of the Code, such as individual retirement accounts (“IRAs”) and non-ERISA Keogh plans (collectively with ERISA Plans, “Plans”), and certain persons (referred to as “parties in interest” for purposes of ERISA or “disqualified persons” for purposes of the Code) having certain relationships to Plans, unless a statutory or administrative exemption is applicable to the transaction. A party in interest or disqualified person who engages in a non-exempt prohibited transaction may be subject to non-deductible excise taxes and other penalties and liabilities under ERISA and the Code, and the transaction might have to be rescinded. In addition, a fiduciary who causes an ERISA Plan to engage in a non-exempt prohibited transaction may be personally liable for any resultant loss incurred by the ERISA Plan and may be subject to other potential remedies.

A Plan that proposes to invest in our common shares (or to make our shares available for investment under a Participant-Directed Plan) may already maintain a relationship with our Manager or one or more of its affiliates, as a result of which our Manager or such affiliate may be a “party in interest” under ERISA or a “disqualified person” under the Code, with respect to such Plan (e.g., if our Manager or such affiliate provides investment management, investment advisory or other services to that Plan). ERISA (and the Code) prohibits plan assets from being used for the benefit of a party in interest (or disqualified person). This prohibition is not triggered by “incidental” benefits to a party in interest (or disqualified person) that result from a transaction involving the Plan that is motivated solely by the interests of the Plan. ERISA (and the Code) also prohibits a fiduciary from using its position to cause the Plan to make an investment from which the fiduciary, its affiliates or certain parties in which it has an interest would receive a fee or other consideration or benefit. In this circumstance, Plans that propose to invest in our common shares should consult with their counsel to determine whether an investment in our common shares would result in a transaction that is prohibited by ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.
If our assets were considered to be assets of a Plan (referred to herein as “Plan Assets”), our management might be deemed to be fiduciaries of the investing Plan. In this event, the operation of our Company could become subject to the restrictions of the fiduciary responsibility and prohibited transaction provisions of Title I of ERISA and/or the prohibited transaction rules of Section 4975 of the Code.

The DOL has promulgated a final regulation under ERISA, 29 C.F.R. § 2510.3-101 (as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA, the “Plan Assets Regulation”), that provides guidelines as to whether, and under what circumstances, the underlying assets of an entity will be deemed to constitute Plan Assets for purposes of applying the fiduciary requirements of Title I of ERISA (including the prohibited transaction rules of Section 406 of ERISA) and the prohibited transaction provisions of Code Section 4975.

Under the Plan Assets Regulation, the assets of an entity in which a Plan or IRA makes an equity investment will generally be deemed to be assets of such Plan or IRA unless the entity satisfies one of the exceptions to this general rule. Generally, the exceptions require that the investment in the entity be one of the following:

- in securities issued by an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act;
- in “publicly offered securities,” defined generally as interests that are “freely transferable,” “widely held” and registered with the SEC;
- in an “operating company” which includes “venture capital operating companies” and “real estate operating companies;” or
- in which equity participation by “benefit plan investors” is not significant.

The shares will constitute an “equity interest” for purposes of the Plan Assets Regulation, and the shares may not constitute “publicly offered securities” for purposes of the Plan Assets Regulation. In addition, the shares will not be issued by a registered investment company.

**The 25% Limit.** Under the Plan Assets Regulation, and assuming no other exemption applies, an entity’s assets would be deemed to include “plan assets” subject to ERISA on any date if, immediately after the most recent acquisition of any equity interest in the entity, 25% or more of the value of any class of equity interests in the entity is held by “benefit plan investors” (the “25% Limit”). For purposes of this determination, the value of equity interests held by a person (other than a benefit plan investor) that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the entity or that provides investment advice for a fee with respect to such assets (or any affiliate of such a person) is disregarded. The term “benefit plan investor” is defined in the Plan Assets Regulation as (a) any employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) that is subject to the provisions of Title I of ERISA, (b) any plan that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code and (c) any entity whose underlying assets include plan assets by reason of a plan’s investment in the entity (to the extent of such plan’s investment in the entity). Thus, while our assets would not be considered to be “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA so long as the 25% Limit is not exceeded. Our operating agreement provides that if benefit plan investors exceed the 25% Limit, we may redeem their interests at a price equal to the then current NAV per share. We intend to rely on this aspect of the Plan Assets Regulation.

**Operating Companies.** Under the Plan Assets Regulation, an entity is an “operating company” if it is primarily engaged, directly or through a majority-owned subsidiary or subsidiaries, in the production or sale of a product or service other than the investment of capital. In addition, the Plan Assets Regulation provides that the term operating company includes an entity qualifying as a real estate operating company (“REOC”) or a venture capital operating company (“VCOC”). An entity is a REOC if: (i) on its “initial valuation date and on at least one day within each annual valuation period,” at least 50% of the entity’s assets, valued at cost (other than short-term investments pending long-term commitment or distribution to investors) are invested in real estate that is managed or developed and with respect to which such entity has the right to substantially participate directly in management or development activities; and (ii) such entity in the ordinary course of its business is engaged directly in the management and development of real estate during the 12-month period. The “initial valuation date” is the date on which an entity first makes an investment that is not a short-term investment of funds pending long-term commitment. An entity’s “annual valuation period” is a pre-established period not exceeding 90 days in duration, which begins no later than the anniversary of the entity’s initial valuation date. Certain examples in the Plan Assets Regulation clarify that the management and development activities of an entity looking to qualify as a REOC may be carried out by independent contractors (including, in the case of a partnership, affiliates of the general partner) under the supervision of the entity. An entity will qualify as a VCOC if (i) on its initial valuation date and on at least one day during each annual valuation period, at least 50% of the entity’s assets, valued at cost, consist of “venture capital investments,” and (ii) the entity, in the ordinary course of business, actually exercises management rights with respect to one or more of its venture capital investments. The Plan Assets Regulation defines
the term “venture capital investments” as investments in an operating company (other than a VCOC) with respect to which the investor obtains management rights.
If the 25% Limit is exceeded and we do not exercise our right to redeem benefit plan investors as described above, we may try to operate in a manner that will enable us to qualify as a VCOC or a REOC or to meet such other exception as may be available to prevent our assets from being treated as assets of any investing Plan for purposes of the Plan Assets Regulation. Accordingly, we believe, on the basis of the Plan Assets Regulation, that our underlying assets should not constitute “plan assets” for purposes of ERISA. However, no assurance can be given that this will be the case.

If our assets are deemed to constitute “plan assets” under ERISA, certain of the transactions in which we might normally engage could constitute a non-exempt “prohibited transaction” under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. In such circumstances, in our sole discretion, we may void or undo any such prohibited transaction, and we may require each investor that is a “benefit plan investor” to redeem their shares upon terms that we consider appropriate.

Prospective investors that are subject to the provisions of Title I of ERISA and/or Code Section 4975 should consult with their counsel and advisors as to the provisions of Title I of ERISA and/or Code Section 4975 relevant to an investment in our common shares.

As discussed above, although IRAs and non-ERISA Keogh plans are not subject to ERISA, they are subject to the provisions of Section 4975 of the Code, prohibiting transactions with “disqualified persons” and investments and transactions involving fiduciary conflicts. A prohibited transaction or conflict of interest could arise if the fiduciary making the decision to invest has a personal interest in or affiliation with our Company or any of its respective affiliates. In the case of an IRA, a prohibited transaction or conflict of interest that involves the beneficiary of the IRA could result in disqualification of the IRA. A fiduciary for an IRA who has any personal interest in or affiliation with our Company or any of its respective affiliates, should consult with his or her tax and legal advisors regarding the impact such interest may have on an investment in our shares with assets of the IRA.

Shares sold by us may be purchased or owned by investors who are investing Plan assets. Our acceptance of an investment by a Plan should not be considered to be a determination or representation by us or any of our respective affiliates that such an investment is appropriate for a Plan. In consultation with its advisors, each prospective Plan investor should carefully consider whether an investment in our Company is appropriate for, and permissible under, the terms of the Plan’s governing documents.

Governmental plans, foreign plans and most church plans, while not subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of ERISA or the provisions of Code Section 4975, may nevertheless be subject to local, foreign, state or other federal laws that are substantially similar to the foregoing provisions of ERISA and the Code. Fiduciaries of any such plans should consult with their counsel and advisors before deciding to invest in our common shares.

The DOL has issued a final regulation significantly expanding the concept of “investment advice” for purposes of determining fiduciary status under ERISA. The DOL recognized that transactions such as the mere offering of the shares to sophisticated Plans could be characterized as fiduciary investment advice under this new regulation absent an exception and that such potential for fiduciary status would not be appropriate in these contexts. Accordingly, the DOL provided an exception based upon satisfaction of certain factual conditions. As the final regulation became effective in April 2017, we may elect to ensure these conditions are satisfied in connection with the offering of the shares. Finally, fiduciaries of Plans should be aware that the Manager is not undertaking to provide impartial investment advice or to give advice in a fiduciary capacity in connection with the offering or purchase of shares and that the Manager has financial interests associated with the purchase of shares including the fees and other allocations and distributions they may receive from us as a result of the purchase of shares by a Plan.
Form 5500. Plan administrators of ERISA Plans that acquire shares may be required to report compensation, including indirect compensation, paid in connection with the ERISA Plan’s investment in shares on Schedule C of Form 5500 (Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan). The descriptions in this memorandum of fees and compensation, including the fees paid to the Manager, are intended to satisfy the disclosure requirement for “eligible indirect compensation,” for which an alternative reporting procedure on Schedule C of Form 5500 may be available.

**PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

We are offering up to $50 million in our common shares pursuant to this offering circular. Our common shares being offered hereby will be primarily offered by associated persons of ours through the Fundrise Platform at www.fundrise.com. In conducting this offering, such persons of Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC intend to rely on the exemption from registration contained in Exchange Act Rule 3a4-1. For additional information about the Fundrise Platform, please see “Offering Summary—About the Fundrise Platform.”

Concurrently with our offering to the public, we are selling 1,000 of our common shares at a price equal to the initial public offering price of our common shares as set forth on the cover of this offering circular, in a private placement to Fundrise, L.P., an entity affiliated with our sponsor, Rise Companies Corp. Our sponsor previously acquired 500 common shares at a price equal to the initial public offering price in connection with our formation. Such additional common shares will not be sold to Fundrise, L.P., until approximately ten (10) days after we begin accepting subscriptions to this offering.

The Fundrise Platform is not subject to the registration requirements of Section 304 of the JOBS Act because it does not offer and sell securities pursuant to Section 4(a)(6) of the Securities Act, and, therefore, does not meet the definition of a “funding portal.”

This offering circular and supplements hereto will be furnished to prospective investors upon their request via electronic PDF format and will be available for viewing and download 24 hours per day, 7 days per week on the Fundrise Platform website, as well as on the SEC’s website at www.sec.gov.

In order to subscribe to purchase our common shares, a prospective investor must electronically complete, sign and deliver to us an executed subscription agreement like the one attached to this offering circular as Appendix B, and wire funds for its subscription amount in accordance with the instructions provided therein.

Settlement may occur up to 45 days after a prospective investor submits a subscription agreement, depending on the volume of subscriptions received. An investor will become a member of our Company, including for tax purposes, and the shares will be issued, as of the date of settlement. Settlement will not occur until an investor’s funds have cleared and the Manager accepts the investor as a member. The number of shares issued to an investor will be calculated based on the price per share in effect on the date we receive the subscription.

We reserve the right to reject any investor’s subscription in whole or in part for any reason, including if we determine in our sole and absolute discretion that such investor is not a “qualified purchaser” for purposes of Section 18(b)(4)(D)(ii) of the Securities Act. If the offering terminates or if any prospective investor’s subscription is rejected, all funds received from such investors will be returned without interest or deduction.

To the extent that the funds are not ultimately received by us or are subsequently withdrawn by the subscriber, whether due to an ACH chargeback or otherwise, the subscription agreement will be considered terminated, and the subscriber will not be entitled to any shares subscribed for or dividends that may have accrued.

**State Law Exemption and Offerings to “Qualified Purchasers”**

Our common shares are being offered and sold only to “qualified purchasers” (as defined in Regulation A). As a Tier 2 offering pursuant to Regulation A, this offering will be exempt from state “Blue Sky” law review, subject to certain state filing requirements and anti-fraud provisions, to the extent that our common shares offered hereby are offered and sold only to “qualified purchasers” or at a time when our common shares are listed on a national securities exchange. “Qualified purchasers” include: (i) “accredited investors” under Rule 501(a) of Regulation D and (ii) all other investors so long as their investment in our common shares does not represent more than 10% of the greater of their annual income or net worth (for natural persons), or 10% of the greater of annual revenue or net assets at fiscal year-end (for non-natural persons). However, our common shares are being offered and sold only to those investors that are within the latter category (i.e., investors whose investment in our common shares does not represent more than 10% of the applicable amount), regardless of an investor’s status as an “accredited investor.” Accordingly, we reserve the right to reject any investor’s
subscription in whole or in part for any reason, including if we determine in our sole and absolute discretion that such investor is not a “qualified purchaser” for purposes of Regulation A.
Certificates Will Not be Issued

We will not issue certificates. Instead, our common shares will be recorded and maintained on our Company’s membership register.

Transferability of our Common Shares

Our common shares are generally freely transferable by our shareholders subject to any restrictions imposed by applicable securities laws or regulations, compliance with the transfer provisions of our operating agreement related to REIT compliance ownership limits and analogous regulatory compliance and receipt of appropriate documentation. The transfer of any our common shares in violation of the operating agreement will be deemed invalid, null and void, and of no force or effect. Any person to whom our common shares are attempted to be transferred in violation of the operating agreement will not be entitled to vote on matters coming before the shareholders, receive distributions from our Company or have any other rights in or with respect to our common shares. We will not have the ability to reject a transfer of our common shares where all applicable transfer requirements, including those imposed under the transfer provisions of our operating agreement, are satisfied.

No Escrow

The proceeds of this offering will not be placed into an escrow account.

Advertising, Sales and other Promotional Materials

In addition to this offering circular, subject to limitations imposed by applicable securities laws, we expect to use additional advertising, sales and other promotional materials in connection with this offering. These materials may include information relating to this offering, the past performance of our sponsor and its affiliates, property brochures, articles and publications concerning real estate, or public advertisements and audio-visual materials, in each case only as authorized by us. In addition, the sales material may contain certain quotes from various publications without obtaining the consent of the author or the publication for use of the quoted material in the sales material. Although these materials will not contain information in conflict with the information provided by this offering circular and will be prepared with a view to presenting a balanced discussion of risk and reward with respect to our common shares, these materials will not give a complete understanding of this offering, us or our common shares and are not to be considered part of this offering circular. This offering is made only by means of this offering circular and prospective investors must read and rely on the information provided in this offering circular in connection with their decision to invest in our common shares.

HOW TO SUBSCRIBE

Subscription Procedures

Investors seeking to purchase our common shares who satisfy the “qualified purchaser” standards should proceed as follows:

• Read this entire offering circular and any supplements accompanying this offering circular.
• Electronically complete and execute a copy of the subscription agreement. A specimen copy of the subscription agreement, including instructions for completing it, is included in this offering circular as Appendix B.

• Electronically provide ACH instructions to us for the full purchase price of our common shares being subscribed for; note, however, for subscriptions in excess of $125,000, we will require that the purchase price of our common shares be provided via bank wire.

By executing the subscription agreement and paying the total purchase price for our common shares subscribed for, each investor agrees to accept the terms of the subscription agreement and attests that the investor meets the minimum standards of a “qualified purchaser,” and that such subscription for common shares does not exceed 10% of the greater of such investor’s annual income or net worth (for natural persons), or 10% of the greater of annual revenue or net assets at fiscal year-end (for non-natural persons). Subscriptions will be binding upon investors but will be effective only upon our acceptance and we reserve the right to reject any subscription in whole or in part.

Subscriptions will be binding upon investors and will be accepted or rejected within 45 days of receipt by us. We have until the date that is twelve months after the date of this offering circular to achieve the minimum offering amount.

We will not draw funds from any subscriber until the date we achieve the minimum offering amount or the date your subscription is accepted, whichever is later. If we accept your subscription, we will email you a confirmation.

To the extent that the funds are not ultimately received by us or are subsequently withdrawn by the subscriber, whether due to an ACH chargeback or otherwise, the subscription agreement will be considered terminated, and the subscriber will not be entitled to any shares subscribed for or dividends that may have accrued.

Minimum Purchase Requirements

You must initially purchase at least 100 common shares in this offering, or $1,000 based on the current per share price. If you have satisfied the applicable minimum purchase requirement, any additional purchase must be in amounts of at least $10 (or the then per share purchase price of our common shares). However, the Manager may revise the minimum purchase requirements in the future or elect to waive the minimum purchase requirement, such as for individuals who participate in different plans established by our Manager. In addition, in order to help protect us from the risk of chargebacks, we intend to require that any subscription in excess of $125,000 of our shares be funded through a bank wire transfer and not an ACH electronic fund transfer.

Residents of the State of Washington

For investors and potential investors who are residents of the State of Washington, please send all correspondence, including any questions or comments, to washingtonstate@fundrise.com.

Arbitration Provision

By purchasing shares in this offering, investors agree to be bound by the Arbitration Provisions contained in our subscription agreement and our operating agreement. Such Arbitration Provisions apply to claims under the U.S. federal securities laws and to all claims that are related to the Company, including with respect to this offering, our holdings, our common shares, our ongoing operations and the management of our investments, among other matters, and limit the ability of investors to bring class action lawsuits or similarly seek remedy on a class basis.

By agreeing to be subject to the Arbitration Provisions contained in our subscription agreement and our operating agreement, you are severely limiting your rights to seek redress against us in court. For example, you may not be able to pursue litigation for any claim in state or federal courts against us, our Manager, our sponsor, or their respective directors or officers, including with respect to securities law claims, and any awards or remedies determined by the arbitrators may not be appealed. In addition, arbitration rules generally limit discovery, which could impede your ability to bring or sustain claims, and the ability to collect attorneys’ fees or other damages may be limited in the arbitration, which may discourage attorneys from agreeing to represent parties wishing to commence such a proceeding.
Specifically, under the Arbitration Provisions, either party may, at its sole election, require that the sole and exclusive forum and remedy for resolution of a claim be final and binding arbitration. We have not determined whether we will exercise our right to demand arbitration but reserve the right to make that determination on a case by case basis as claims arise. In this regard, the Arbitration Provisions are similar to a binding arbitration provision as we are likely to invoke the Arbitration Provisions to the fullest extent permissible. The Arbitration Provisions apply to claims under the U.S. federal securities laws and to all claims that are related to the Company, including with respect to this offering, our holdings, our common shares, our ongoing operations and the management of our investments, among other matters.

Any arbitration brought pursuant to the Arbitration Provisions must be conducted in the State of Virginia, in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. The term “Claim” as used in the Arbitration Provisions is very broad and includes any past, present, or future claim, dispute, or controversy involving you (or persons claiming through or connected with you), on the one hand, and us (or persons claiming through or connected with us), on the other hand, relating to or arising out of your subscription agreement, the Fundrise Platform, and/or the activities or relationships that involve, lead to, or result from any of the foregoing, including (except an individual Claim that you may bring in Small Claims Court or an equivalent court, if any, so long as the Claim is pending only in that court) the validity or enforceability of the Arbitration Provisions, any part thereof, or the entire subscription agreement. Claims are subject to arbitration regardless of whether they arise from contract; tort (intentional or otherwise); a constitution, statute, common law, or principles of equity; or otherwise. Claims include (without limitation) matters arising as initial claims, counter-claims, cross-claims, third-party claims, or otherwise. The scope of the Arbitration Provisions is to be given the broadest possible interpretation that will permit it to be enforceable. Based on discussions with and research performed by the Company’s counsel, we have no reason to believe that the Arbitration Provisions are not enforceable under federal law, the laws of the State of Delaware, the laws of Washington, D.C., or under any other applicable laws or regulations. However, to the extent that one or more of the provisions in our subscription agreement or our operating agreement with respect to the Arbitration Provisions or otherwise requiring you to waive certain rights were to be found by a court to be unenforceable, we would abide by such decision.

Before purchasing shares, a potential investor must acknowledge, understand, and agree that: (a) arbitration is final and binding on the parties; (b) the parties are waiving their right to seek remedies in court, including the right to jury trial; (c) pre-arbitration discovery is generally more limited than, and potentially different in form and scope from court proceedings; (d) the Arbitration Award is not required to include factual findings or legal reasoning and any party’s right to appeal or to seek modification of a ruling by the arbitrators is strictly limited; and (e) the panel of arbitrators may include a minority of persons engaged in the securities industry. The Arbitration Provisions limit the rights of an investor to many legal remedies and rights otherwise available.

Waiver of Section 18-305 Rights

By purchasing shares in this offering, investors agree to be bound by the Waiver Provisions contained in our subscription agreement and our operating agreement. Such Waiver Provisions limit the ability of our shareholders to make a request to review and obtain information relating to and maintained by the Company and Fundrise, including, but not limited to, names and contact information of our shareholders, information listed in Section 18-305 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act, as amended, and any other information deemed to be confidential by the Manager in its sole discretion. Furthermore, because the Waiver Provision is contained in our operating agreement, such Waiver Provision will also apply to any purchasers of shares in a secondary transaction.

Through the Company’s required public filing disclosures, periodic reports and obligation to provide annual reports and tax information to its shareholders, much of the information listed in Section 18-305 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act will be available to shareholders notwithstanding the Waiver Provisions. While the intent of such Waiver Provisions is to protect your personally identifiable information from being disclosed pursuant to Section 18-305, by agreeing to be subject to the Waiver Provisions, you are severely limiting your right to seek access to the personally identifiable information of other shareholders, such as names, addresses and other information about shareholders and the Company that the Manager deems to be confidential. As a result, the Waiver Provision could impede your ability to communicate with other shareholders, and such provisions, on their own, or together with the effect of the Arbitration Provisions, may impede your ability to bring or sustain claims against the Company, including under applicable securities laws.
Based on discussions with and research performed by the Company’s counsel, we believe that the Waiver Provisions are enforceable under federal law, the laws of the State of Delaware, the laws of Washington, D.C., or under any other applicable laws or regulations. However, the issue of enforceability is not free from doubt and to the extent that one or more of the provisions in our subscription agreement or our operating agreement with respect to the Waiver Provisions were to be found by a court to be unenforceable, we would abide by such decision.

BY AGREEING TO BE SUBJECT TO THE WAIVER PROVISIONS, INVESTORS WILL NOT BE DEEMED TO WAIVE THE COMPANY’S COMPLIANCE WITH THE FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATED THEREUNDER.

LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters, including the validity of common shares offered hereby, have been passed upon for us by Goodwin Procter LLP.

EXPERTS

The balance sheet of Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC as of August 20, 2019 has been audited by RSM US LLP, an independent auditor, as stated in their report thereon and included in this Regulation A Offering Circular in reliance upon such report and upon the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC an offering statement under the Securities Act on Form 1-A regarding this offering. This offering circular, which is part of the offering statement, does not contain all the information set forth in the offering statement and the exhibits related thereto filed with the SEC, reference to which is hereby made. Upon the qualification of the offering statement, we will be subject to the informational reporting requirements of the Exchange Act that are applicable to Tier 2 companies whose securities are registered pursuant to Regulation A, and accordingly, we will file annual reports, semi-annual reports and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy the offering statement, the related exhibits and the reports and other information we file with the SEC at the SEC’s public reference facilities maintained by the SEC at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20549. You can also request copies of those documents, upon payment of a duplicating fee, by writing to the SEC. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information regarding the operation of the public reference rooms. The SEC also maintains a website at www.sec.gov that contains reports, information statements and other information regarding issuers that file with the SEC.

You may also request a copy of these filings at no cost, by writing, emailing or telephoning us at:

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investments@fundrise.com
(202) 584-0550

Within 120 days after the end of each fiscal year we will provide to our shareholders of record an annual report. The annual report will contain audited financial statements and certain other financial and narrative information that we are required to provide to shareholders.

We also maintain a website at www.fundrise.com, where there may be additional information about our business, but the contents of that site are not incorporated by reference in or otherwise a part of this offering circular.
Independent Auditor’s Report

To the Member
Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC

Report on the Financial Statement
We have audited the accompanying balance sheet of Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC (the Company) as of August 20, 2019 and the related notes to the balance sheet (financial statement).

Management’s Responsibility for the Financial Statement
Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this financial statement in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of a financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor’s Responsibility
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor’s judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity’s preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity’s internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statement.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion
In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC as of August 20, 2019 in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ RSM US LLP

McLean, Virginia
October 28, 2019
Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC

Balance Sheet

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See accompanying notes to balance sheet.
Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC

Notes to the Balance Sheet
As of August 20, 2019

1. Formation and Organization

Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC (the “Company”) was formed on June 4, 2019, as a Delaware Limited Liability Company and intends to qualify as a real estate investment trust (“REIT”) for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The Company was organized primarily to originate, invest in and manage a diversified portfolio of commercial real investments and other real estate-related assets. The Company may make its investments through majority-owned subsidiaries, some of which may have rights to receive preferred economic returns. Substantially all of the Company’s business will be externally managed by Fundrise Advisors, LLC (the “Manager”), a Delaware limited liability company and an investment adviser registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”).

As of August 20, 2019, the Company has not begun operations.

Subject to certain restrictions and limitations, the Manager is responsible for managing the Company’s affairs on a day-to-day basis and for identifying and making acquisitions and investments on behalf of the Company.

The Company intends to file an initial offering statement on Form 1-A with the SEC with respect to an offering (the “Offering”) of up to $50.0 million in common shares, for an initial price of $10.00 per share.

A maximum of $50.0 million in the Company’s common shares may be sold to the public in the initial offering, once qualified. The Manager has the authority to issue an unlimited number of common shares. As of August 20, 2019, the Company had issued 500 common shares to Rise Companies Corp. (the “Sponsor”), an owner of the Manager, for an aggregate purchase price of $5,000. In addition, Fundrise, L.P., an affiliate of the Sponsor, has committed to purchase an aggregate of 1,000 common shares at $10.00 per share in a private placement for an aggregate purchase price of $10,000 on a date no later than ten days after the Company begins accepting subscriptions in this Offering.

The Company intends to have a December 31st fiscal year end.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying balance sheet and related notes of the Company have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”) and Article 8 of Regulation S-X of the rules and regulations of the SEC.

Estimates

The preparation of the balance sheet in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the balance sheet and accompanying notes. Actual results could materially differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of money market funds, demand deposits and highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Cash may at times exceed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation deposit insurance limit of $250,000 per institution. The Company mitigates credit risk by placing cash with major financial institutions.
Organizational and Offering Costs

Organizational and offering costs of the Company are initially being paid by the Manager on behalf of the Company. These organizational and offering costs include all expenses to be paid by the Company in connection with the formation of the Company and the qualification of the Offering, and the distribution of shares, including, without limitation, expenses for printing, and amending offering statements or supplementing offering circulars, mailing and distributing costs, telephones, Internet and other telecommunications costs, charges of experts and fees, expenses and taxes related to the filing, registration and qualification of the sale of shares under federal and state laws, including taxes and fees and accountants’ and attorneys’ fees. The Company anticipates that, pursuant to the Company’s amended and restated operating agreement (the “Operating Agreement”), the Company will be obligated to reimburse the Manager, or its affiliates, as applicable, for organizational and offering costs paid by them on behalf of the Company. The Manager has decided that the Company shall only reimburse the Manager for the organizational and offering costs subject to a minimum net asset value (“NAV”), as described below.

After the Company has reached a NAV greater than $10.00 per share (“Hurdle Rate”), the Company is obligated to start reimbursing the Manager, without interest, for organizational and offering costs incurred, both, before and after the date that the Hurdle Rate was reached. The total amount payable to the Manager will be based on the dollar amount that the NAV exceeds the Hurdle Rate, multiplied by the number of shares outstanding. Reimbursement payments will be made in monthly installments, but the aggregate monthly amount reimbursed can never exceed 0.50% of the aggregate gross offering proceeds from the offering provided. No reimbursement shall be made if the reimbursement would cause the NAV to be less than the Hurdle Rate. If the sum of the total unreimbursed amount of such organizational and offering costs, plus new costs incurred since the last reimbursement payment, exceeds the reimbursement limit described above for the applicable monthly installment, the excess will be eligible for reimbursement in subsequent months (subject to the 0.50% limit), calculated on an accumulated basis, until the Manager has been reimbursed in full.

The Company will record a liability for organizational costs and offering costs payable to the Manager when it is probable and estimable that a liability has been incurred in accordance with ASC 450, Contingencies. As a result, there will be no liability recognized until the Company reaches the Hurdle Rate. When the Company’s NAV exceeds the Hurdle Rate, it will record a liability with a corresponding reduction to equity for offering costs, and a liability and a corresponding expense to general and administrative expenses for organizational costs.

Our sponsor intends to establish a number of eREITs as real estate investment trusts that will be similar in structure to ours. Our sponsor has agreed to allocate legal fees incurred in establishing the eREITs that exceed the estimated legal fees of $312,500 per eREIT, to other eREITs sponsored by our sponsor, which includes the Company. As a result, we and each of the other eREITs will be required to reimburse our sponsor for up to $312,500 in legal fees incurred in preparing such offerings. If our sponsor is not successful in organizing an offering for each of the other eREITs, our sponsor will bear the legal costs that exceed the portion allocated to us. As of August 20, 2019, the Manager had incurred and allocated total organizational and offering costs of approximately $16,000 to the Company. However, because the Company has not yet begun operations and because the Hurdle Rate has not been met, no costs are eligible to be reimbursed to the Manager and no liability has been recorded.

Share Redemptions

Share repurchases are recorded as a reduction of common share par value under our redemption plan, pursuant to which we may elect to redeem shares at the request of our members, subject to certain exceptions, conditions, and limitations. The maximum number of shares purchasable by us in any period depends on a number of factors and is at the discretion of our Manager.

The Company intends to adopt a redemption plan whereby, on a monthly basis, an investor has the opportunity to obtain liquidity monthly, following a minimum 60-day waiting period after submitting their redemption request. Pursuant to the Company’s redemption plan, a member may only (a) have one outstanding redemption request at any given time and (b) request that we redeem up to the lesser of 5,000 shares or $50,000 per each redemption request. In addition, the redemption plan is subject to certain liquidity limitations, which may fluctuate depending on the liquidity of the real estate assets held by the Company. Redemptions are also subject to declining discounts on the redemption price over the course of the time the member has held the shares being redeemed.
In light of the SEC’s current guidance on redemption plans, we generally intend to limit redemptions in any calendar month to shares whose aggregate value (based on the repurchase price per share in effect as of the redemption date) is less than or equal to 0.50% of the NAV of all of our outstanding shares as of the first day of such calendar month, and generally intend to limit the amount redeemed in any calendar quarter to shares whose aggregate value (based on the repurchase price per share in effect as of the redemption date) is 1.25% of the NAV of all of our outstanding shares as of first day of the last month of such calendar quarter (e.g., March 1, June 1, September 1, or December 1), with excess capacity carried over to later calendar quarters in that calendar year. However, as we intend to make a number of commercial real estate investments of varying terms and maturities, our Manager may elect to increase or decrease the number of common shares available for redemption in any given month or quarter, as these commercial real estate assets are paid off or sold, but we do not intend to redeem more than 5.00% of the common shares outstanding during any calendar year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, we are not obligated to redeem common shares under the redemption plan.

In addition, our Manager may, in its sole discretion, amend, suspend, or terminate the redemption plan at any time without prior notice, including to protect our operations and our non-reredeemed members, to prevent an undue burden on our liquidity, to preserve our status as a REIT, following any material decrease in our NAV, or for any other reason. However, in the event that we amend, suspend or terminate our redemption plan, we will file an offering circular supplement and/or Form 1-U, as appropriate, and post such information on the Fundrise Platform to disclose such amendment. Our Manager may also, in its sole discretion, decline any particular redemption request if it believes such action is necessary to preserve our status as a REIT.

Therefore, a member may not have the opportunity to make a redemption request prior to any potential termination of the Company’s redemption plan.

Income Taxes

The Company intends to elect to be taxed as a REIT under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and intends to operate as such, commencing with the taxable year ending December 31, 2020. The Company expects to have little or no taxable income prior to electing REIT status. To qualify as a REIT, the Company must meet certain organizational and operational requirements, including a requirement to distribute at least 90% of the Company’s annual REIT taxable income to its members (which is computed without regard to the dividends paid deduction or net capital gain and which does not necessarily equal net income as calculated in accordance with U.S. GAAP). As a REIT, the Company generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax to the extent it distributes qualifying dividends to its members. Even if the Company qualifies for taxation as a REIT, it may be subject to certain state and local taxes on its income and property, and federal income and excise taxes on its undistributed income.

Accounting Pronouncements

Under Section 107 of the JOBS Act, we are permitted to use the extended transition period provided in Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act for complying with new or revised accounting standards. This permits us to delay the adoption of certain accounting standards until those standards would otherwise apply to private companies. We have elected to use the extended transition period provided in Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act for complying with new or revised accounting standards that have difference effective dates for public and private companies until the earlier of the date that we (i) are no longer an emerging growth company or (ii) affirmatively and irrevocably opt out of the extended transition period provided in Section 7(a)(2)(B). By electing to extend the transition period for complying with new or revised accounting standards, these financial statements may not be comparable to companies that adopt accounting standard updates upon the public business entity effective dates.
3. Related Party Arrangements

**Fundrise Advisors, LLC, Manager**

The Manager and certain affiliates of the Manager will receive fees and compensation in connection with the Company’s public offering, and the acquisition, management and sale of the Company’s real estate investments.

The Manager will be reimbursed for organization and offering expenses incurred in conjunction with the offering subject to meeting the Hurdle Rate. The Company will reimburse the Manager, subject to the reimbursement limit previously described, for actual expenses incurred on behalf of the Company in connection with the selection, acquisition or origination of an investment, to the extent not reimbursed by the borrower, whether or not the Company ultimately acquires or originates the investment. The Company will reimburse the Manager for out-of-pocket expenses paid to third parties in connection with providing services to the Company. This does not include the Manager’s overhead, employee costs borne by the Manager, utilities or technology costs. Expense reimbursements payable to the Manager also may include expenses incurred by the Sponsor in the performance of services pursuant to a shared services agreement between the Manager and the Sponsor, including any increases in insurance attributable to the management or operation of the Company. See Note 2 – “Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – Organizational and Offering Costs.”

The Company will pay the Manager a quarterly asset management fee of one-fourth of 0.85%, which, until September 30, 2020, will be based on our net offering proceeds as of the end of each quarter, and thereafter will be based on our NAV at the end of each prior semi-annual period.

The Manager has agreed, for a period from inception until June 30, 2020 (the “Fee Waiver Period”), to waive its asset management fee. Following the conclusion of the Fee Waiver Period, the Manager may, in its sole discretion, continue to waive its asset management fee, in whole or in part. The Manager will forfeit any portion of the asset management fee that is waived.

The Company may be charged by the Manager a development management fee of 5.0% of total development costs, excluding property. However, such development fee is only intended to be charged if it is net of a fee being charged by the developer of the equity investment project or if there is no outside developer of the equity investment project. Our Manager may, in its sole discretion, waive its development management fee, in whole or in part. The Manager will forfeit any portion of the development management fee that is waived.

The Company will reimburse the Manager for actual expenses incurred on our behalf in connection with the special servicing of non-performing assets. The Manager will determine, in its sole discretion, whether an asset is non-performing.

The Company will reimburse our Manager for actual expenses incurred on our behalf in connection with the liquidation of equity investments in real estate, and we will also pay the Manager an equity disposition fee of up to 1.50% of the gross proceeds from such sale if our Manager is acting as the real estate developer or is engaged by the developer to sell the project.

**Fundrise Lending, LLC**

As an alternative means of acquiring loans or other investments for which we do not yet have sufficient funds, and in order to comply with certain state lending requirements, Fundrise Lending, LLC or its affiliates may close and fund a loan or other investment prior to it being acquired by us. The ability to warehouse investments allows us the flexibility to deploy our offering proceeds as funds are raised. We then will acquire such investment at a price equal to the fair market value of the loan or other investment (including reimbursements for servicing fees and accrued interest, if any), so there is no mark-up (or mark-down) at the time of our acquisition.

For situations where our Sponsor, Manager, or their affiliates have a conflict of interest with us that is not otherwise covered by an existing policy we have adopted or a transaction is deemed to be a “principal transaction,” the Manager has appointed an independent representative (the “Independent Representative”) to protect the interests of the members and review and approve such transactions. Any compensation payable to the Independent Representative for serving in such capacity on our behalf will be payable by us. Principal transactions are defined as transactions between our Sponsor, Manager or their affiliates, on the one hand, and us or one of our subsidiaries, on the other hand. Our Manager is only authorized to execute principal transactions with the prior approval of the Independent Representative and in accordance with applicable law. Such prior approval may include but not be limited to pricing methodology for the acquisition of assets and/or liabilities for which there are no readily observable market prices.
Fundrise, L.P.

Fundrise, L.P., an affiliate of the Sponsor, has committed to purchase an aggregate of 1,000 common shares at $10.00 per share in a private placement for an aggregate purchase price of $10,000 due on a date no later than ten (10) days after the date on which we begin to accept subscriptions to this Offering.

Rise Companies Corp., Member and Sponsor

Rise Companies Corp. is the sole member of the Company and holds 500 shares as of August 20, 2019.

4. Economic Dependency

Under various agreements, the Company has engaged or will engage Fundrise Advisors, LLC and its affiliates to provide certain services that are essential to the Company, including asset management services, asset acquisition and disposition decisions, the sale of the Company’s common shares available for issue, as well as other administrative responsibilities for the Company including accounting services and investor relations. As a result of these relationships, the Company is dependent upon Fundrise Advisors, LLC and its affiliates. In the event that these companies were unable to provide the Company with the respective services, the Company would be required to find alternative providers of these services.

5. Commitments and Contingencies

Reimbursable Organizational and Offering Costs

The Company has a contingent liability related to potential future reimbursements to the Manager for organizational and offering costs that were paid by the Manager on the Company’s behalf. As of August 20, 2019, approximately $16,000 of organizational and offering costs incurred by the Manager may be subject to reimbursement by the Company in future periods, based on achieving specific performance hurdles as described in Note 2, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – Organizational and Offering Costs.

Legal Proceedings

As of the date of the financial statements we are not currently named as a defendant in any active or pending litigation. However, it is possible that the Company could become involved in various litigation matters arising in the ordinary course of our business. Although we are unable to predict with certainty the eventual outcome of any litigation, management is not aware of any current litigation that we assess as being material to the financial statements.

6. Subsequent Events

In connection with the preparation of the accompanying balance sheet, we have evaluated events and transactions occurring through October 28, 2019, the date at which the financial statement was available to be issued. The Company is not aware of any subsequent event which would require recognition or disclosure.
APPENDIX A:

PRIOR PERFORMANCE TABLES

The following prior performance tables provide information relating to the real estate investment programs sponsored by Rise Companies Corp. (our “sponsor”), and its affiliates. These consist of seven (7) eREITs® that had begun raising and deploying capital either during the years ended December 31, 2018, 2016, or 2015 (collectively, the “eREIT® Programs”): (i) Fundrise Real Estate Investment Trust, LLC (the “Income eREIT®”); (ii) Fundrise Equity REIT, LLC (the “Growth eREIT®”); (iii) Fundrise West Coast Opportunistic REIT, LLC (the “West Coast eREIT®”); (iv) Fundrise East Coast Opportunistic REIT, LLC (the “East Coast eREIT®”); (v) Fundrise Midland Opportunistic REIT, LLC (the “Heartland eREIT®”); (vi) Fundrise Income eREIT II, LLC; and (vii) Fundrise Growth eREIT II, LLC. With respect to its eREIT® Programs, our sponsor seeks to produce attractive risk-adjusted returns by targeting debt and equity investments with significant potential value creation but below the radar of institutional-sized investors.

The eREIT® Programs were launched in December 2015 with the qualification of the Regulation A offering of the Income eREIT®. Our sponsor and its affiliates are responsible for origination, due diligence, structuring, closing, acquiring, and asset management of all investments and loans made under the eDirectTM Programs. As of December 31, 2018, our sponsor had facilitated or originated approximately 112 real estate assets in its eREIT® Programs with aggregate asset values of approximately $2.7 billion, consisting of approximately $319 million of real estate loan assets, $3.2 million in wholly owned real estate assets, and $2.4 billion of investments in commercial real estate assets (primarily through common equity investments and majority-owned subsidiaries with rights to receive preferred economic returns or joint ventures). The portfolios included in the eREIT® Programs are diversified by investment size, security type, property type and geographic region.

As of December 31, 2018, the eREIT® Programs consisted of seven eREITs®, which had collectively raised approximately $422 million.

This information should be read together with the summary information included in the “Prior Performance Summary” section of the Offering Circular.

Investors should not construe inclusion of the following tables as implying, in any manner, that we will have results comparable to those reflected in such tables. Distributable cash flow, federal income tax deductions or other factors could be substantially different. Investors should note that by acquiring our shares, they will not be acquiring any interest in any prior program.

Description of the Tables

All information contained in the Tables in this Appendix A is as of December 31, 2018. The following tables are included herein:

Table I — Experience in Raising and Investing Funds
Table II — Compensation to Sponsor
Table III — Operating Results of Prior Programs
Table VI — Acquisition of Assets
Table I presents information showing the experience of our sponsor in raising and investing funds for the prior eDirect™ Programs as of December 31, 2018. Amounts are rounded to nearest thousands.

(Dollar amounts in thousands)

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<th>Fundrise Real Estate Investment Trust, LLC</th>
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<td>Dollar Amount Offered [a]</td>
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<td>Amount Raised as of 12/31/18 [b]</td>
<td>$97,622</td>
<td>$102,434</td>
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<td>$56,525</td>
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<td>Date Original Offering Began</td>
<td>11/24/2015</td>
<td>1/5/2016</td>
<td>9/30/2016</td>
<td>9/30/2016</td>
<td>9/30/2016</td>
<td>9/5/2018</td>
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<td>Length of Offering (In Months) [c]</td>
<td>19[d]</td>
<td>19[d]</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>27</td>
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<td>Months to Invest 90 Percent of Amount Available for Investment (Measured from the Beginning of Offering) [c]</td>
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[a] The amount represents the maximum amount offered to the public.

[b] Represents the dollar amount raised in public offerings. Excludes private placements.

c] Represents the shorter of (i) number of months the offering had been available as of 12/31/18 or (ii) number of months that the offering was available before concluding upon completion.

d] The offering was halted once reaching the $50 million maximum offering amount, and the figure presented represents the length of the offering since recommencing.

e] As of December 31, 2018 these offerings were still in the investment period and had not invested 90% of the amount offered. Assets are acquired as equity becomes available.
Table II presents information showing the compensation paid to our sponsor by the prior eDirect\textsuperscript{TM} Programs as of December 31, 2018. Amounts are rounded to nearest thousands.

(Dollar amounts in thousands)

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<td>Date original offering commenced</td>
<td>11/24/2015</td>
<td>1/5/2016</td>
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<td>Dollar amount raised</td>
<td>97,622</td>
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\[a\] This number is comprised of cumulative asset management fees that have been paid to the Manager, Fundrise Advisors, a wholly owned subsidiary of the sponsor as of December 31, 2018.

\[b\] Amount represents cumulative reimbursements paid to the Manager as of 12/31/18 (which amount may include the $312,500 in legal fees allocated to eREITs\textsuperscript{®}), and not reimbursements payable. As of December 31, 2018, approximately $0 in reimbursements were payable from Fundrise Real Estate Investment Trust, LLC to our sponsor, approximately $0 in reimbursements were payable from Fundrise Equity REIT, LLC to our sponsor, approximately $375,000 in reimbursements were payable from Fundrise West Coast Opportunistic REIT, LLC to our sponsor, approximately $42,000 in reimbursements were payable from Fundrise East Coast Opportunistic REIT, LLC to our sponsor, approximately $0 in reimbursements were payable from Fundrise Midland Opportunistic REIT, LLC to our sponsor, approximately $53,000 in reimbursements were payable from Fundrise Income eREIT II, LLC to our sponsor, and approximately $0 in reimbursements were payable from Fundrise Growth eREIT II, LLC to our sponsor.
TABLE III
OPERATING RESULTS OF PRIOR PROGRAMS
(UNAUDITED)

Table III sets forth the operating results of the prior eREIT® Programs for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017, and 2016. Amounts are rounded to nearest thousands.

(Dollar amounts in thousands)

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<td>$95,565</td>
<td>$73,734</td>
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<td>Total liabilities</td>
<td>5,059</td>
<td>2,888</td>
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<td>Total members’ equity</td>
<td>90,506</td>
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<td>Gross revenues</td>
<td>8,124</td>
<td>5,408</td>
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<td>Operating expense</td>
<td>(863)</td>
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<td>Operating income (loss)</td>
<td>7,261</td>
<td>5,228</td>
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<td>Interest/tax expense</td>
<td>(4)</td>
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<td>Net income (loss) (GAAP Basis)</td>
<td>7,257</td>
<td>5,212</td>
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<td>7,178</td>
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<td><strong>AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF DISTRIBUTIONS</strong></td>
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<td>Total cash distributions paid and distributions reinvested</td>
<td>6,617[a]</td>
<td>5,393[b]</td>
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<td>$106.89[b]</td>
<td>$63.76[c]</td>
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<td>From operations</td>
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<td>$53.59[e]</td>
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<td>From all other sources (financing or offering proceeds)</td>
<td>-[e]</td>
<td>5.35[e]</td>
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<td>Estimated value per share</td>
<td>$9.91</td>
<td>$9.81</td>
<td>$9.88</td>
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* Derived from audited financial statements.

[a] Although distributions were declared in Q4 2018, they were paid out in Q1 2019 and therefore are not reflected in the distribution amounts.

[b] Although distributions were declared in Q4 2017, they were paid out in Q1 2018 and therefore are not reflected in the distribution amounts.

[c] Although distributions were declared in Q4 2016, they were paid out in Q1 2017 and therefore are not reflected in the distribution amounts.

[d] Assumes investment was settled by January 1 of the stated year.

[e] This calculation is on a GAAP basis. When calculated on a tax basis, all distributions were made 100% from taxable income and there was no return of capital for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016.
(Dollar amounts in thousands)

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**SUMMARY OPERATING RESULTS**

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<td>Gross revenues (losses)</td>
<td>1,250</td>
<td>552</td>
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<td>Operating expense</td>
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<td>Net income (loss) (GAAP Basis)</td>
<td>308</td>
<td>(111)</td>
<td>(2,903)</td>
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**SUMMARY STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

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**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF DISTRIBUTIONS**

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<td>Estimated value per share</td>
<td>$11.30</td>
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* Derived from audited financial statements.

[a] Under GAAP, distributions from equity-method investees are treated as a reduction of an investment’s basis rather than investment income, so as a result of depreciation, closing costs, and non-cash losses at the property level, net income is reflected as negative.

[b] Although distributions were declared in Q4 2018, they were paid out in Q1 2019 and therefore are not reflected in the distribution amounts.

[c] Although distributions were declared in Q4 2017, they were paid out in Q1 2018 and therefore are not reflected in the distribution amounts.

[d] Although distributions were declared in Q4 2016, they were paid out in Q1 2017 and therefore are not reflected in the distribution amounts.

[e] Assumes investment was settled by January 1 of the stated year.

[f] This calculation is on a GAAP basis and does not account for distributions received from equity method investees. When distributions received from equity method investees are added to the cash flow from operations figure, then cash flow is sufficient to cover 100% of distributions in 2018. When calculated on a tax basis, an estimated 20% of distributions were made from taxable income for the year ended December 31, 2018.

[g] This calculation is on a GAAP basis and does not account for distributions received from equity method investees. When distributions received from equity method investees are added to the cash flow from operations figure, then cash flow is sufficient to cover 100% of distributions in 2017. When calculated on a tax basis, an estimated 9% of distributions were made from taxable income for the year ended December 31, 2017.

[h] This calculation is on a GAAP basis and does not account for distributions received from equity method investees. When distributions received from equity method investees are added to the cash flow from operations figure, then cash flow is sufficient to cover 44% of distributions in 2016. When calculated on a tax basis, an estimated 48% of distributions were made from taxable income for the year ended December 31, 2016.
(Dollar amounts in thousands)

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[c] Although distributions were declared in Q4 2016, they were paid out in Q1 2017 and therefore are not reflected in the distribution amounts.

[d] Assumes investment was settled by January 1 of the stated year.

[e] This calculation is on a GAAP basis. When calculated on a tax basis, an estimated 85% of distributions were made from taxable income for the year ended December 31, 2018.

[f] This calculation is on a GAAP basis. When calculated on a tax basis, all distributions were made 100% from taxable income and there was no return of capital for the year ended December 31, 2017.

[g] N/A indicates there is no public trading market for the shares during the period indicated or estimated net asset value per share as determined by the Company’s manager as of December 31.
**SUMMARY BALANCE SHEET**

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**SUMMARY OPERATING RESULTS**

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<td>(560)</td>
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<td>(458)</td>
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<td>-</td>
<td>(103)</td>
<td>(17)</td>
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<td>Net income (loss) (GAAP Basis)</td>
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<td>(561)</td>
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**SUMMARY STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

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**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF DISTRIBUTIONS**

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<td>$70.92[c]</td>
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<td>From operations</td>
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<td>$10.18</td>
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[a] Under GAAP, distributions from equity-method investees are treated as a reduction of an investment’s basis rather than investment income, so as a result distributions from equity method investments will not show up in gross revenues. As a result of depreciation, closing costs, and non-cash losses at the property level, net income may be reflected as negative.

[b] Although distributions were declared in Q4 2018, they were paid out in Q1 2019 and therefore are not reflected in the distribution amounts.

[c] Although distributions were declared in Q4 2017, they were paid out in Q1 2018 and therefore are not reflected in the distribution amounts.

[d] Although distributions were declared in Q4 2016, they were paid out in Q1 2017 and therefore are not reflected in the distribution amounts.

[e] Assumes investment was settled by January 1 of the stated year.

[f] This calculation is on a GAAP basis and does not account for distributions received from equity method investees. When distributions received from equity method investees are added to the cash flow from operations figure, then cash flow is sufficient to cover 100% of distributions in 2018. When calculated on a tax basis, an estimated 70% of distributions were made from taxable income for the year ended December 31, 2018.

[g] This calculation is on a GAAP basis and does not account for distributions received from equity method investees. When distributions received from equity method investees are added to the cash flow from operations figure, then cash flow is sufficient to cover 100% of distributions in 2017. When calculated on a tax basis, an estimated 57% of distributions were made from taxable income for the year ended December 31, 2017.

[h] N/A indicates there is no public trading market for the shares during the period indicated or estimated net asset value per share as determined by the Company’s manager as of December 31.
(Dollar amounts in thousands)

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<th>Summary Balance Sheet</th>
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<td>5,110</td>
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**SUMMARY OPERATING RESULTS**

| Gross revenues [a]   | 681                                        | (631) | 8 |
| Operating expense    | (567)                                      | (385) | (85) |
| Operating income (loss) | 114                                        | (1,016) | (77) |
| Interest/tax expense | (20)                                       | (14) | - |
| Net income (loss) (GAAP Basis) | 94                                        | (1,030) | (77) |

**SUMMARY STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities | 385 | 146 | (12) |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities | (17,693) | (29,628) | (1,000) |
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | 16,056 | 26,334 | 5,734 |

**AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF DISTRIBUTIONS**

| Total cash distributions paid and distributions reinvested | 2,629[b] | 844[c] | -[d] |
| Distribution Data Per $1,000 Invested [e] | $71.80[b] | $60.45[c] | -[d] |
| Total Distributions paid to investors | $10.51[f] | $10.46[g] | - |
| From operations | $61.29[f] | $49.99[g] | - |

Estimated value per share [h] | $10.00 | $10.00 | N/A

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[a] Under GAAP, distributions from equity-method investees are treated as a reduction of an investment’s basis rather than investment income, so as a result distributions from equity method investments will not show up in gross revenues. As a result of depreciation, closing costs, and non-cash losses at the property level, net income is negative.

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[e] Assumes investment was settled by January 1 of the stated year.

[f] This calculation is on a GAAP basis and does not account for distributions received from equity method investees. When distributions received from equity method investees are added to the cash flow from operations figure, then cash flow is sufficient to cover approximately 40% of distributions in 2018. When calculated on a tax basis, an estimated 20% of distributions were made from taxable income for the year ended December 31, 2018.

[g] This calculation is on a GAAP basis and does not account for distributions received from equity method investees. When distributions received from equity method investees are added to the cash flow from operations figure, then cash flow is sufficient to cover approximately 36% of distributions in 2017. When calculated on a tax basis, an estimated 62% of distributions were made from taxable income for the year ended December 31, 2017.

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### SUMMARY BALANCE SHEET

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### SUMMARY OPERATING RESULTS

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<td>Net income (loss) (GAAP Basis)</td>
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### AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF DISTRIBUTIONS

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<tr>
<td>From operations</td>
<td>$4.79[c]</td>
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<td>From all other sources (financing or offering proceeds)</td>
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(Dollar amounts in thousands)

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### TABLE VI
ACQUISITION OF ASSETS
(UNAUDITED)

Table VI sets forth summary information on the properties held by the prior eREIT® Programs as of December 31, 2018.

<table>
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<th>Property</th>
<th>Location</th>
<th>Name of eREIT®</th>
<th>Type of Property</th>
<th>Date of Purchase</th>
<th>Date Paid Off</th>
<th>Gross Leasable Square Footage or # of Units</th>
<th>Mortgage Financing at Date of Purchase</th>
<th>Cash Down Payment (eREIT® Investment)</th>
<th>Total Equity</th>
<th>Contract Purchase Price Plus Acquisition Fee [a]</th>
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| San Antonio | TX | eREIT / Growth eREIT / Midland eREIT / Income eREIT II / Growth eREIT II | Multifamily | 12/19/2018 | 343 | $28,443,000 | $1,497,000 | $29,940,000 |
| Anaheim | CA | eREIT | Multifamily | 12/21/2018 | 340 | $95,600,000 | $11,500,000 | $45,900,000 | $153,000,000 |

* Number of residential units (not square footage).

** Originated investment represents a senior secured loan.

[a] Amounts include anticipated additional construction and development costs associated with the project. Actual construction and development costs may vary from estimates.

[b] Secured loan provided simultaneously with closing of preferred equity investment.
APPENDIX B

FORM OF SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT

SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT
FOR QUALIFIED PURCHASERS

FUNDRISE BALANCED eREIT, LLC
A DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

This is a Subscription for
Common Shares of
Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC ("Fundrise")
THIS SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT (this “Agreement” or this “Subscription”) is made and entered into as of ________________, by and between the undersigned (the “Subscriber,” “Investor,” or “you”) and Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (“Fundrise” or “we” or “us” or “our”), with reference to the facts set forth below.

WHEREAS, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Subscriber wishes to irrevocably subscribe for and purchase (subject to acceptance of such subscription by Fundrise) certain Common Shares (the “Common Shares”), as set forth in Section 1 and on the signature page hereto, offered pursuant to that certain Offering Circular, dated as of December 6, 2019 (the “Offering Circular”) of Fundrise.

NOW, THEREFORE, in order to implement the foregoing and in consideration of the mutual representations, warranties, covenants and agreements contained herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

NOTICE REGARDING AGREEMENT TO ARBITRATE

ALL INVESTORS ARE REQUIRED TO ARBITRATE ANY DISPUTE ARISING OUT OF THEIR INVESTMENT IN THE COMPANY. ALL INVESTORS FURTHER AGREE THAT THE ARBITRATION WILL BE BINDING AND HELD IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA, IN THE WASHINGTON, D.C. METROPOLITAN AREA. EACH INVESTOR ALSO AGREES TO WAIVE ANY RIGHTS TO A JURY TRIAL. OUT OF STATE ARBITRATION MAY FORCER AN INVESTOR TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. OUT OF STATE ARBITRATION MAY ALSO COST AN INVESTOR MORE TO ARBITRATE A SETTLEMENT OF A DISPUTE.

THESE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROVISIONS APPLY IN ANY LITIGATION RELATING TO THIS SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT, OUR COMMON SHARES OR THE COMPANY, INCLUDING CLAIMS UNDER THE U.S. FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS.

BY AGREEING TO BE SUBJECT TO THE ARBITRATION PROVISION CONTAINED IN OUR SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT (WHICH IS ALSO INCLUDED IN OUR OPERATING AGREEMENT), INVESTORS WILL NOT BE DEEMED TO WAIVE THE COMPANY’S COMPLIANCE WITH THE FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATED THEREUNDER.

NOTICE REGARDING WAIVER OF SECTION 18-305 RIGHTS

BY AGREEING TO BE SUBJECT TO THE WAIVER PROVISIONS, INVESTORS WILL NOT BE DEEMED TO WAIVE FUNDRISE’S COMPLIANCE WITH THE FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATED THEREUNDER.

1. Subscription for and Purchase of the Common Shares

1.1 Subject to the express terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Subscriber hereby irrevocably subscribes for and agrees to purchase the Common Shares (the “Purchase”) in the amount of the purchase price (the “Purchase Price”) set forth on the signature page to this Agreement.

1.2 Unless subscribing pursuant to a plan established by Fundrise Advisors, LLC, Fundrise’s manager, the Subscriber must initially purchase at least 100 Common Shares in this offering, unless subscribing pursuant to a plan established by our Manager. There are no minimum subscription requirements when subscribing pursuant to a plan established by our Manager or on additional purchases once the Subscriber has purchased the requisite minimum of 100 Common Shares.

1.3 The offering of Common Shares is described in the Offering Circular, that is available through the online website platform www.fundrise.com (the “Site”), which is owned and operated by Fundrise, LLC, an affiliated entity of Fundrise, as well as on the SEC’s EDGAR website. Please read this Agreement, the Offering Circular, and Fundrise’s Operating Agreement (the “Operating Agreement”). While they are subject to change, as described below, Fundrise advises you to print and retain a copy of these documents for your records. By signing electronically below, you agree to the following terms together with the Terms and Conditions and the Terms of Use, consent to Fundrise, LLC’s Privacy Policy, and agree to transact business with us and to receive communications relating to the Common Shares electronically.
1.4 Fundrise has the right to reject this Subscription in whole or in part for any reason. The Subscriber may not cancel, terminate or revoke this Agreement, which, in the case of an individual, shall survive his death or disability and shall be binding upon the Subscriber, his heirs, trustees, beneficiaries, executors, personal or legal administrators or representatives, successors, transferees and assigns.

1.5 Once you make a funding commitment to purchase Common Shares, it is irrevocable until the Common Shares are issued, the Purchase is rejected by Fundrise, or Fundrise otherwise determines not to consummate the transaction.

1.6 The undersigned has received a copy of the Fundrise’s Operating Agreement and agrees that its execution of this Subscription Agreement constitutes its consent to such Operating Agreement, and, that upon acceptance of this Subscription Agreement by Fundrise, the undersigned will become a member of Fundrise as a holder of Common Shares. When this Subscription Agreement is countersigned by our Company, the Operating Agreement shall be binding upon the undersigned as of the settlement date.

1.7 The undersigned has carefully reviewed the arbitration notice set forth on the first page of this Agreement, Section 13 of this Agreement, and the arbitration risk factor disclosure on page 65 of the Offering Circular. The undersigned hereby acknowledges, understands, and agrees that: (a) arbitration is final and binding on the parties; (b) the parties are waiving their right to seek remedies in court, including the right to jury trial; (c) pre-arbitration discovery is generally more limited than, and potentially different in form and scope from court proceedings; (d) the Arbitration Award is not required to include factual findings or legal reasoning and any party’s right to appeal or to seek modification of a ruling by the arbitrators is strictly limited; and (e) the panel of arbitrators may include a minority of persons engaged in the securities industry. Such arbitration provision limits the rights of an investor to some legal remedies and rights otherwise available.

2. **Purchase of the Common Shares.**

2.1 The Subscriber understands that the Purchase Price is payable with the execution and submission of this Agreement, and accordingly, is submitting herewith to Fundrise the Purchase Price as agreed to by Fundrise on the Site.

2.2 If Fundrise returns the Subscriber’s Purchase Price to the Subscriber, Fundrise will not pay any interest to the Subscriber.

2.3 If this Subscription is accepted by Fundrise, the Subscriber agrees to comply fully with the terms of this Agreement, the Common Shares and all other applicable documents or instruments of Fundrise, including the Operating Agreement. The Subscriber further agrees to execute any other necessary documents or instruments in connection with this Subscription and the Subscriber’s purchase of the Common Shares.

2.4 In the event that this Subscription is rejected in full or the offering is terminated, payment made by the Subscriber to Fundrise for the Common Shares will be refunded to the Subscriber without interest and without deduction, and all of the obligations of the Subscriber hereunder shall terminate. To the extent that this Subscription is rejected in part, Fundrise shall refund to the Subscriber any payment made by the Subscriber to Fundrise with respect to the rejected portion of this Subscription without interest and without deduction, and all of the obligations of Subscriber hereunder shall remain in full force and effect except for those obligations with respect to the rejected portion of this Subscription, which shall terminate.

2.5 To the extent that the funds are not ultimately received by Fundrise or are subsequently withdrawn by the Subscriber, whether due to an ACH chargeback or otherwise, the Subscription Agreement will be considered terminated, and the Subscriber shall not be entitled to any shares subscribed for or dividends that may have accrued.
3. **Investment Representations and Warranties of the Subscriber:** The Subscriber represents and warrants to Fundrise the following:

3.1 The information that the Subscriber has furnished herein, including (without limitation) the information furnished by the Subscriber to Fundrise, LLC, an affiliate of Fundrise, upon signing up for the Site regarding whether Subscriber qualifies as (i) an “accredited investor” as that term is defined in Rule 501 under Regulation D promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Act”) and/or (ii) a “qualified purchaser” as that term is defined in Regulation A promulgated under the Act, is correct and complete as of the date of this Agreement and will be correct and complete on the date, if any, that Fundrise accepts this subscription. Further, the Subscriber shall immediately notify Fundrise of any change in any statement made herein prior to the Subscriber’s receipt of Fundrise’s acceptance of this Subscription, including, without limitation, Subscriber’s status as an “accredited investor” and/or “qualified purchaser.” The representations and warranties made by the Subscriber may be fully relied upon by Fundrise and by any investigating party relying on them.

3.2 The Subscriber, if an entity, is, and shall at all times while it holds Common Shares remain, duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state or other jurisdiction of the United States of America of its incorporation or organization, having full power and authority to own its properties and to carry on its business as conducted. The Subscriber, if a natural person, is eighteen (18) years of age or older, competent to enter into a contractual obligation, and a citizen or resident of the United States of America. The principal place of business or principal residence of the Subscriber is as shown on the signature page of this Agreement.

3.3 The Subscriber has the requisite power and authority to deliver this Agreement, perform his, her or its obligations set forth herein, and consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. The Subscriber has duly executed and delivered this Agreement and has obtained the necessary authorization to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform his, her or its obligations herein and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. This Agreement, assuming the due execution and delivery hereof by Fundrise, is a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Subscriber enforceable against the Subscriber in accordance with its terms.

3.4 At no time has it been expressly or implicitly represented, guaranteed or warranted to the Subscriber by Fundrise or any other person that:

   a. A percentage of profit and/or amount or type of gain or other consideration will be realized as a result of this investment; or

   b. The past performance or experience on the part of Fundrise and/or its officers or directors does not in any way indicate the predictable or probable results of the ownership of the Common Shares or the overall Fundrise venture.

3.5 The Subscriber has received this Agreement, the Offering Circular and the Operating Agreement. The Subscriber and/or the Subscriber’s advisors, who are not affiliated with and not compensated directly or indirectly by Fundrise or an affiliate thereof, have such knowledge and experience in business and financial matters as will enable them to utilize the information which they have received in connection with Fundrise and its business to evaluate the merits and risks of an investment, to make an informed investment decision and to protect Subscriber’s own interests in connection with the Purchase.

3.6 The Subscriber understands that the Common Shares being purchased are a speculative investment which involves a substantial degree of risk of loss of the Subscriber’s entire investment in the Common Shares, and the Subscriber understands and is fully cognizant of the risk factors related to the purchase of the Common Shares. The Subscriber has read, reviewed and understood the risk factors set forth in the Offering Circular.

3.7 The Subscriber understands that any forecasts or predictions as to Fundrise’s performance are based on estimates, assumptions and forecasts that Fundrise believes to be reasonable but that may prove to be materially incorrect, and no assurance is given that actual results will correspond with the results contemplated by the various forecasts.

3.8 The Subscriber is able to bear the economic risk of this investment and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, is able to hold this investment for an indefinite period of time. The Subscriber has adequate means to provide for the Subscriber’s current needs and personal contingencies and has a sufficient net worth to sustain the loss of the Subscriber’s entire investment in Fundrise.
3.9 The amount of Common Shares being purchased by the Subscriber does not exceed 10% of the greater of the Subscriber’s annual income or net worth (for natural persons), or 10% of the greater of the Subscriber’s annual revenue or net assets at fiscal year-end (for non-natural persons).
3.10 The Subscriber has had an opportunity to ask questions of Fundrise or anyone acting on its behalf and to receive answers concerning the terms of this Agreement and the Common Shares, as well as about Fundrise and its business generally, and to obtain any additional information that Fundrise possesses or can acquire without unreasonable effort or expense, that is necessary to verify the accuracy of the information contained in this Agreement. Further, all such questions have been answered to the full satisfaction of the Subscriber.

3.11 The Subscriber agrees to provide any additional documentation Fundrise may reasonably request, including documentation as may be required by Fundrise to form a reasonable basis that the Subscriber qualifies as an “accredited investor” as that term is defined in Rule 501 under Regulation D promulgated under the Act, or otherwise as a “qualified purchaser” as that term is defined in Regulation A promulgated under the Act, or as may be required by the securities administrators or regulators of any state, to confirm that the Subscriber meets any applicable minimum financial suitability standards and has satisfied any applicable maximum investment limits.

3.12 The Subscriber understands that no state or federal authority has scrutinized this Agreement or the Common Shares offered pursuant hereto, has made any finding or determination relating to the fairness for investment of the Common Shares, or has recommended or endorsed the Common Shares, and that the Common Shares have not been registered or qualified under the Act or any state securities laws, in reliance upon exemptions from registration thereunder.

3.13 The Subscriber understands that Fundrise has not been registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940. In addition, the Subscriber understands that Fundrise is not registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended (the “Advisers Act”), although Fundrise’s manager, Fundrise Advisors, LLC, is registered as an investment adviser under the Advisers Act.

3.14 The Subscriber is subscribing for and purchasing the Common Shares without being furnished any offering literature, other than the Offering Circular, the Operating Agreement and this Agreement, and such other related documents, agreements or instruments as may be attached to the foregoing documents as exhibits or supplements thereto, or as the Subscriber has otherwise requested from Fundrise in writing, and without receiving any representations or warranties from Fundrise or its agents and representatives other than the representations and warranties contained in said documents, and is making this investment decision solely in reliance upon the information contained in said documents and upon any investigation made by the Subscriber or Subscriber’s advisors.

3.15 The Subscriber’s true and correct full legal name, address of residence (or, if an entity, principal place of business), phone number, electronic mail address, United States taxpayer identification number, if any, and other contact information are accurately provided on signature page hereto. The Subscriber is currently a bona fide resident of the state or jurisdiction set forth in the current address provided to Fundrise. The Subscriber has no present intention of becoming a resident of any other state or jurisdiction.

3.16 The Subscriber is subscribing for and purchasing the Common Shares solely for the Subscriber’s own account, for investment purposes only, and not with a view toward or in connection with resale, distribution (other than to its shareholders or members, if any), subdivision or fractionalization thereof. The Subscriber has no agreement or other arrangement, formal or informal, with any person or entity to sell, transfer or pledge any part of the Common Shares, or which would guarantee the Subscriber any profit, or insure against any loss with respect to the Common Shares, and the Subscriber has no plans to enter into any such agreement or arrangement.

3.17 The Subscriber represents and warrants that the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby and hereby and the performance of the obligations thereunder and hereunder will not conflict with or result in any violation of or default under any provision of any other agreement or instrument to which the Subscriber is a party or any license, permit, franchise, judgment, order, writ or decree, or any statute, rule or regulation, applicable to the Subscriber. The Subscriber confirms that the consummation of the transactions envisioned herein, including, but not limited to, the Subscriber’s Purchase, will not violate any foreign law and that such transactions are lawful in the Subscriber’s country of citizenship and residence.
3.18 Fundrise’s intent is to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws designed to combat money laundering and similar illegal activities, including the provisions of the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (the “PATRIOT Act”). Subscriber hereby represents, covenants, and agrees that, to the best of Subscriber’s knowledge based on reasonable investigation:

(a) None of the Subscriber’s funds tendered for the Purchase Price (whether payable in cash or otherwise) shall be derived from money laundering or similar activities deemed illegal under federal laws and regulations.

(b) To the extent within the Subscriber’s control, none of the Subscriber’s funds tendered for the Purchase Price will cause Fundrise or any of its personnel or affiliates to be in violation of federal anti-money laundering laws, including (without limitation) the Bank Secrecy Act (31 U.S.C. 5311 et seq.), the United States Money Laundering Control Act of 1986 or the International Money Laundering Abatement and Anti-Terrorist Financing Act of 2001, and/or any regulations promulgated thereunder.

(c) When requested by Fundrise, the Subscriber will provide any and all additional information, and the Subscriber understands and agrees that Fundrise may release confidential information about the Subscriber and, if applicable, any underlying beneficial owner or Related Person 1 to U.S. regulators and law enforcement authorities, deemed reasonably necessary to ensure compliance with all applicable laws and regulations concerning money laundering and similar activities. Fundrise reserves the right to request any information as is necessary to verify the identity of the Subscriber and the source of any payment to the Fund. In the event of delay or failure by the Subscriber to produce any information required for verification purposes, the subscription by the Subscriber may be refused.

(d) Neither the Subscriber, nor any person or entity controlled by, controlling or under common control with the Subscriber, any of the Subscriber’s beneficial owners, any person for whom the Subscriber is acting as agent or nominee in connection with this investment nor, in the case of an Subscriber which is an entity, any Related Person is:

(i) a Prohibited Investor;

(ii) a Senior Foreign Political Figure, any member of a Senior Foreign Political Figure’s “immediate family,” which includes the figure’s parents, siblings, spouse, children and in-laws, or any Close Associate of a Senior Foreign Political Figure, or a person or entity resident in, or organized or chartered under, the laws of a Non-Cooperative Jurisdiction;

1 For purposes of this Section 3.18, the terms “Related Person,” “Prohibited Investor,” “Senior Foreign Political Figure,” “Close Associate,” “Non-Cooperative Jurisdiction” and “Foreign Shell Bank” shall have the meanings described below: “Close Associate of a Senior Foreign Political Figure” shall mean a person who is widely and publicly known internationally to maintain an unusually close relationship with the Senior Foreign Political Figure, and includes a person who is in a position to conduct substantial domestic and international financial transactions on behalf of the Senior Foreign Political Figure; “Foreign Shell Bank” shall mean a Foreign Bank without a presence in any country.
(iii) a person or entity resident in, or organized or chartered under, the laws of a jurisdiction that has been designated by the U.S. Secretary of the Treasury under Section 311 or 312 of the PATRIOT Act as warranting special measures due to money laundering concerns; or Bank without a physical presence in any country, but does not include a regulated affiliate; “Foreign Bank” shall mean an organization that (i) is organized under the laws of a foreign country, (ii) engages in the business of banking, (iii) is recognized as a bank by the bank supervisory or monetary authority of the country of its organization or principal banking operations, (iv) receives deposits to a substantial extent in the regular course of its business, and (v) has the power to accept demand deposits, but does not include the U.S. branches or agencies of a foreign bank; “Non-Cooperative Jurisdiction” shall mean any foreign country that has been designated as noncooperative with international anti-money laundering principles or procedures by an intergovernmental group or organization, such as the Financial Task Force on Money Laundering, of which the U.S. is a member and with which designation the U.S. representative to the group or organization continues to concur; “Prohibited Investor” shall mean a person or entity whose name appears on (i) the List of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons maintained by the U.S. Office of Foreign Assets Control; (ii) other lists of prohibited persons and entities as may be mandated by applicable law or regulation; or (iii) such other lists of prohibited persons and entities as may be provided to the Fund in connection therewith; “Related Person” shall mean, with respect to any entity, any interest holder, director, senior officer, trustee, beneficiary or grantor of such entity; provided that in the case of an entity that is a publicly traded company or a tax qualified pension or retirement plan in which at least 100 employees participate that is maintained by an employer that is organized in the U.S. or is a U.S. government entity, the term “Related Person” shall exclude any interest holder holding less than 5% of any class of securities of such publicly traded company and beneficiaries of such plan; “Senior Foreign Political Figure” shall mean a senior official in the executive, legislative, administrative, military or judicial branches of a foreign government (whether elected or not), a senior official of a major foreign political party, or a senior executive of a foreign government-owned corporation. In addition, a Senior Foreign Political Figure includes any corporation, business or other entity that has been formed by, or for the benefit of, a Senior Foreign Political Figure.

(iv) a person or entity who gives Subscriber reason to believe that its funds originate from, or will be or have been routed through, an account maintained at a Foreign Shell Bank, an “offshore bank,” or a bank organized or chartered under the laws of a Non-Cooperative Jurisdiction.

(e) The Subscriber hereby agrees to immediately notify Fundrise if the Subscriber knows, or has reason to suspect, that any of the representations in this Section 3.18 have become incorrect or if there is any change in the information affecting these representations and covenants.

(f) The Subscriber agrees that, if at any time it is discovered that any of the foregoing anti-money laundering representations are incorrect, or if otherwise required by applicable laws or regulations, Fundrise may undertake appropriate actions, and the Subscriber agrees to cooperate with such actions, to ensure compliance with such laws or regulations, including, but not limited to segregation and/or redemption of the Subscriber’s interest in the Common Shares.
3.19 The Subscriber represents and warrants that the Subscriber is either:

(a) Purchasing the Common Shares with funds that constitute the assets one or more of the following:

(i) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of the U.S. Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”), that is subject to Title I of ERISA;

(ii) an “employee benefit plan” as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA that is not subject to either Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”) (including a governmental plan, non-electing church plan or foreign plan). The Subscriber hereby represents and warrants that (a) its investment in Fundrise: (i) does not violate and is not otherwise inconsistent with the terms of any legal document constituting or governing the employee benefit plan; (ii) has been duly authorized and approved by all necessary parties; and (iii) is in compliance with all applicable laws, and (b) neither Fundrise nor any person who manages the assets of Fundrise will be subject to any laws, rules or regulations applicable to such Subscriber solely as a result of the investment in Fundrise by such Subscriber;

(iii) a plan that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code (including an individual retirement account);

(iv) an entity (including, if applicable, an insurance company general account) whose underlying assets include “plan assets” of one or more “employee benefit plans” that are subject to Title I of ERISA or “plans” that are subject to Section 4975 of the Code by reason of the investment in such entity, directly or indirectly, by such employee benefit plans or plans; or

(v) an entity that (a) is a group trust within the meaning of Revenue Ruling 81-100, a common or collective trust fund of a bank or an insurance company separate account and (b) is subject to Title I of ERISA, Section 4975 of the Code or both; or

(b) Not purchasing the Common Shares with funds that constitute the assets of any of the entities or plans described in Section 3.19(a)(i) through 3.19(a)(v) above.

3.20 The Subscriber further represents and warrants that neither Subscriber nor any of its affiliates (a) have discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of Fundrise or (b) provide investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to the assets of Fundrise. For this purpose, an “affiliate” includes any person, directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the person and “control” with respect to a person other than an individual means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such person.

3.21 The Subscriber confirms that the Subscriber has been advised to consult with the Subscriber’s independent attorney regarding legal matters concerning Fundrise and to consult with independent tax advisers regarding the tax consequences of investing through Fundrise. The Subscriber acknowledges that Subscriber understands that any anticipated United States federal or state income tax benefits may not be available and, further, may be adversely affected through adoption of new laws or regulations or amendments to existing laws or regulations. The Subscriber acknowledges and agrees that Fundrise is providing no warranty or assurance regarding the ultimate availability of any tax benefits to the Subscriber by reason of the Purchase.
4. **Ownership Limitation.** The Subscriber acknowledges and agrees that, pursuant to the terms of the operating agreement, the Subscriber generally cannot own, or be deemed to own by virtue of certain attribution provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and as set forth in the operating agreement, either more than 9.8% in value or in number of our Common Shares, whichever is more restrictive, or more than 9.8% in value or in number of our shares, whichever is more restrictive. The Operating Agreement will include additional restrictions on ownership, including ownership that would result in (i) us being “closely held” within the meaning of Section 856(h) of the Code, (ii) us failing to qualify as a REIT or (iii) our shares being beneficially owned by fewer than 100 persons (as determined under Section 856(a)(5) of the Code). The Subscriber also acknowledges and agrees that, pursuant to the terms of the Operating Agreement, the Subscriber’s ownership of our Common Shares cannot cause any other person to violate the foregoing limitations on ownership.

5. **Tax Forms.** The Subscriber will also need to complete an IRS Form W-9 or the appropriate Form W-8, which should be returned directly to us via the Fundrise Platform. The Subscriber certifies that the information contained in the executed copy (or copies) of IRS Form W-9 or appropriate IRS Form W-8 (and any accompanying required documentation), as applicable, when submitted to us will be true, correct and complete. The Subscriber shall (i) promptly inform us of any change in such information, and (ii) furnish to us a new properly completed and executed form, certificate or attachment, as applicable, as may be required under the Internal Revenue Service instructions to such forms, the Code or any applicable Treasury Regulations or as may be requested from time to time by us.

6. **[Reserved].**

7. **No Advisory Relationship.** You acknowledge and agree that the purchase and sale of the Common Shares pursuant to this Agreement is an arms-length transaction between you and Fundrise. In connection with the purchase and sale of the Common Shares, Fundrise is not acting as your agent or fiduciary. Fundrise assumes no advisory or fiduciary responsibility in your favor in connection with the Common Shares or the corresponding project investments. Fundrise has not provided you with any legal, accounting, regulatory or tax advice with respect to the Common Shares, and you have consulted your own respective legal, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to the extent you have deemed appropriate.

8. **Bankruptcy.** In the event that you file or enter bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar proceeding, you agree to use the best efforts possible to avoid Fundrise being named as a party or otherwise involved in the bankruptcy proceeding. Furthermore, this Agreement should be interpreted so as to prevent, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, any bankruptcy trustee, receiver or debtor-in-possession from asserting, requiring or seeking that (i) you be allowed by Fundrise to return the Common Shares to Fundrise for a refund or (ii) Fundrise be mandated or ordered to redeem or withdraw Common Shares held or owned by you.

9. **Miscellaneous Provisions.**

   9.1 This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware (without regard to the conflicts of laws principles thereof).

   9.2 All notices and communications to be given or otherwise made to the Subscriber shall be deemed to be sufficient if sent by electronic mail to such address as set forth for the Subscriber at the records of Fundrise (or that you submitted to us via the Site). You shall send all notices or other communications required to be given hereunder to Fundrise via email at investments@fundrise.com (with a copy to be sent concurrently via prepaid certified mail to: Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC, 11 Dupont Circle NW, 9th FL, Washington, DC 20036, Attention: Investor Relations.

Any such notice or communication shall be deemed to have been delivered and received on the first business day following that on which the electronic mail has been sent (assuming that there is no error in delivery). As used in this Section, “business day” shall mean any day other than a day on which banking institutions in the State of Delaware are legally closed for business.
9.3 This Agreement, or the rights, obligations or interests of the Subscriber hereunder, may not be assigned, transferred or delegated without the prior written consent of Fundrise. Any such assignment, transfer or delegation in violation of this section shall be null and void.

9.4 The parties agree to execute and deliver such further documents and information as may be reasonably required in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement.

9.5 Any term of this Agreement may be amended and the observance of any term of this Agreement may be waived (either generally or in a particular instance and either retroactively or prospectively), only with the written consent of each of the parties hereto.

9.6 If one or more provisions of this Agreement are held to be unenforceable under applicable law, rule or regulation, such provision shall be excluded from this Agreement and the balance of the Agreement shall be interpreted as if such provision were so excluded and shall be enforceable in accordance with its terms.

9.7 In the event that either party hereto shall commence any suit, action or other proceeding to interpret this Agreement, or determine to enforce any right or obligation created hereby, then such party, if it prevails in such action, shall recover its reasonable costs and expenses incurred in connection therewith, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney’s fees and expenses and costs of appeal, if any.

9.8 This Agreement (including the exhibits and schedules attached hereto) and the documents referred to herein (including without limitation the Common Shares) constitute the entire agreement among the parties and shall constitute the sole documents setting forth terms and conditions of the Subscriber’s contractual relationship with Fundrise with regard to the matters set forth herein. This Agreement supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous communications, whether oral, written or electronic, between us.

9.9 This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, or facsimile counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

9.10 The titles and subtitles used in this Agreement are used for convenience only and are not to be considered in construing or interpreting this Agreement. The singular number or masculine gender, as used herein, shall be deemed to include the plural number and the feminine or neuter genders whenever the context so requires.

9.11 The parties acknowledge that there are no third party beneficiaries of this Agreement, except for any affiliates of Fundrise that may be involved in the issuance or servicing of Common Shares on Fundrise platform, which the parties expressly agree shall be third party beneficiaries hereof.

10. Consent to Electronic Delivery. The Subscriber hereby agrees that Fundrise may deliver all notices, financial statements, valuations, reports, reviews, analyses or other materials, and any and all other documents, information and communications concerning the affairs of Fundrise and its investments, including, without limitation, information about the investment, required or permitted to be provided to the Subscriber under the Common Share or hereunder by means e-mail or by posting on an electronic message board or by other means of electronic communication. Because Fundrise operates principally on the Internet, you will need to consent to transact business with us online and electronically. As part of doing business with us, therefore, we also need you to consent to our giving you certain disclosures electronically, either via the Site or to the email address you provide to us. By entering into this Agreement, you consent to receive electronically all documents, communications, notices, contracts, and agreements arising from or relating in any way to your or our rights, obligations or services under this Agreement (each, a “Disclosure”). The decision to do business with us electronically is yours. This document informs you of your rights concerning Disclosures.
(a) **Scope of Consent.** Your consent to receive Disclosures and transact business electronically, and our agreement to do so, applies to any transactions to which such Disclosures relate.

(b) **Consenting to Do Business Electronically.** Before you decide to do business electronically with us, you should consider whether you have the required hardware and software capabilities described below.

(c) **Hardware and Software Requirements.** In order to access and retain Disclosures electronically, you must satisfy the following computer hardware and software requirements: access to the Internet; an email account and related software capable of receiving email through the Internet; a web browser which is SSL-compliant and supports secure sessions; and hardware capable of running this software.

(d) **How to Contact Us Regarding Electronic Disclosures.** You can contact us via email at investments@fundrise.com. You may also reach us in writing at the following address: Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC, 11 Dupont Circle NW, 9th FL, Washington, DC 20036, Attention: Investor Support. You agree to keep us informed of any change in your email or home mailing address so that you can continue to receive all Disclosures in a timely fashion. If your registered e-mail address changes, you must notify us of the change by sending an email to investments@fundrise.com. You also agree to update your registered residence address and telephone number on the Site if they change. You will print a copy of this Agreement for your records, and you agree and acknowledge that you can access, receive and retain all Disclosures electronically sent via email or posted on the Site.

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11. **Consent to Electronic Delivery of Tax Documents.**

(a) Please read this disclosure about how we will provide certain documents that we are required by IRS to send to you ("Tax Documents") in connection with your Common Shares. A Tax Document provides important information you need to complete your tax returns. Tax Documents include Form 1099. Occasionally, we are required to send you CORRECTED Tax Documents. Additionally, we may include inserts with your Tax Documents. We are required to send Tax Documents to you in writing, which means in paper form. When you consent to electronic delivery of your Tax Documents, you will be consenting to delivery of Tax Documents, including these corrected Tax Documents and inserts, electronically instead of in paper form.

(b) **Agreement to Receive Tax Documents Electronically.** By executing this Agreement on the Fundrise Platform, you are consenting in the affirmative that we may send Tax Documents to you electronically, and acknowledging that you are able to access Tax Documents from the site which are made available under “My Account” > “Tax Center.” If you subsequently withdraw consent to receive Tax Documents electronically, a paper copy will be provided. Your consent to receive the Tax Documents electronically continues for every tax year until you withdraw your consent.

(c) **How We Will Notify You That a Tax Document is Available.** You will receive an electronic notification via email when your Tax Documents are ready for access on the Site. Your Tax Documents are maintained on the Site through at least October 15 of the applicable tax year, at a minimum, should you ever need to access them again.

(d) **Your Option to Receive Paper Copies.** To obtain a paper copy of your Tax Documents, you can print one by visiting the Fundrise web site. You can also contact us at investments@fundrise.com and request a paper copy.

(e) **Withdrawal of Consent to Receive Electronic Notices.** You can withdraw your consent before the Tax Document is furnished by mailing a letter including your name, mailing address, effective tax year, and indicating your intent to withdraw consent to the electronic delivery of Tax Documents to:
If you withdraw consent to receive Tax Documents electronically, a paper copy will be provided. Your consent to receive the Tax Documents electronically continues for every tax year until you withdraw your consent.

(f) *Termination of Electronic Delivery of Tax Documents.* We may terminate your request for electronic delivery of Tax Documents without your withdrawal of consent in writing in the following instances:

· You don’t have a password for your Fundrise account

· Your Fundrise account is closed

· You were removed from the Fundrise account

· Your role or authority on the Fundrise account changed in a manner that no longer allows you to consent to electronic delivery

· We received three consecutive email notifications that indicate your email address is no longer valid

· We cancel the electronic delivery of Tax Documents

(g) *You Must Keep Your E-mail Address Current With Us.* You must promptly notify us of a change of your email address. If your mailing address, email address, telephone number or other contact information changes, you may also provide updated information by contacting us at investments@fundrise.com.

(h) *Hardware and Software Requirements.* In order to access and retain Tax Documents electronically, you must satisfy the computer hardware and software requirements as set forth above in Section 10(c) of this Agreement. You will also need a printer if you wish to print Tax Documents on paper, and electronic storage if you wish to download and save Tax Documents to your computer.

12. *Limitations on Damages.* IN NO EVENT SHALL FUNDRISE BE LIABLE TO THE SUBSCRIBER FOR ANY LOST PROFITS OR SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES, EVEN IF INFORMED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES. THE FOREGOING SHALL BE INTERPRETED AND HAVE EFFECT TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, RULE OR REGULATION.
13. **Arbitration.**

(a) Either party may, at its sole election, require that the sole and exclusive forum and remedy for resolution of a Claim be final and binding arbitration pursuant to this Section 13 (this “Arbitration Provision”). The arbitration shall be conducted in the State of Virginia in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. As used in this Arbitration Provision, “Claim” shall include any past, present, or future claim, dispute, or controversy involving you (or persons claiming through or connected with you), on the one hand, and the Fundrise Platform (or persons claiming through or connected with the Fundrise Platform), on the other hand, relating to or arising out of this Agreement, the Site, and/or the activities or relationships that involve, lead to, or result from any of the foregoing, including (except to the extent provided otherwise in the last sentence of sub-section (e) below) the validity or enforceability of this Arbitration Provision, any part thereof, or the entire Agreement. Claims are subject to arbitration regardless of whether they arise from contract; tort (intentional or otherwise); a constitution, statute, common law, or principles of equity; or otherwise. Claims include (without limitation) matters arising as initial claims, counter-claims, cross-claims, third-party claims, or otherwise. This Arbitration Provision applies to claims under the U.S. federal securities laws and to all claims that are related to the Company, including with respect to this offering, our holdings, the common shares, our ongoing operations and the management of our investments, among other matters. The scope of this Arbitration Provision is to be given the broadest possible interpretation that is enforceable.

(b) The party initiating arbitration shall do so with the American Arbitration Association (the “AAA”) or JAMS. The arbitration shall be conducted according to, and the location of the arbitration shall be determined in accordance with, the rules and policies of the administrator selected, except to the extent the rules conflict with this Arbitration Provision or any countervailing law. In the case of a conflict between the rules and policies of the administrator and this Arbitration Provision, this Arbitration Provision shall control, subject to countervailing law, unless all parties to the arbitration consent to have the rules and policies of the administrator apply.

(c) If we elect arbitration, we shall pay all the administrator’s filing costs and administrative fees (other than hearing fees). If you elect arbitration, filing costs and administrative fees (other than hearing fees) shall be paid in accordance with the rules of the administrator selected, or in accordance with countervailing law if contrary to the administrator’s rules. We shall pay the administrator’s hearing fees for one full day of arbitration hearings. Fees for hearings that exceed one day will be paid by the party requesting the hearing, unless the administrator’s rules or applicable law require otherwise, or you request that we pay them and we agree to do so. Each party shall bear the expense of its own attorney’s fees, except as otherwise provided by law. If a statute gives you the right to recover any of these fees, these statutory rights shall apply in the arbitration notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein.

(d) Within 30 days of a final award by the arbitrator, a party may appeal the award for reconsideration by a three-arbitrator panel selected according to the rules of the arbitrator administrator. In the event of such an appeal, an opposing party may cross-appeal within 30 days after notice of the appeal. The panel will reconsider de novo all aspects of the initial award that are appealed. Costs and conduct of any appeal shall be governed by this Arbitration Provision and the administrator’s rules, in the same way as the initial arbitration proceeding. Any award by the individual arbitrator that is not subject to appeal, and any panel award on appeal, shall be final and binding, except for any appeal right under the Federal Arbitration Act (the “FAA”), and may be entered as a judgment in any court of competent jurisdiction.

(e) We agree not to invoke our right to arbitrate an individual Claim that you may bring in Small Claims Court or an equivalent court, if any, so long as the Claim is pending only in that court. EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED IN THIS AGREEMENT, NO ARBITRATION SHALL PROCEED ON A CLASS, REPRESENTATIVE, OR COLLECTIVE BASIS (INCLUDING AS PRIVATE ATTORNEY GENERAL ON BEHALF OF OTHERS), EVEN IF THE CLAIM OR CLAIMS THAT ARE THE SUBJECT OF THE ARBITRATION HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN ASSERTED (OR COULD HAVE BEEN ASSERTED) IN A COURT AS CLASS REPRESENTATIVE, OR COLLECTIVE ACTIONS IN A COURT.
Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement or consented to in writing by all parties to the arbitration, no party to the arbitration may join, consolidate, or otherwise bring claims for or on behalf of two or more individuals or unrelated corporate entities in the same arbitration unless those persons are parties to a single transaction. Unless consented to in writing by all parties to the arbitration, an award in arbitration shall determine the rights and obligations of the named parties only, and only with respect to the claims in arbitration, and shall not (i) determine the rights, obligations, or interests of anyone other than a named party, or resolve any Claim of anyone other than a named party, or (ii) make an award for the benefit of, or against, anyone other than a named party. No administrator or arbitrator shall have the power or authority to waive, modify, or fail to enforce this sub-section (f), and any attempt to do so, whether by rule, policy, arbitration decision or otherwise, shall be invalid and unenforceable. Any challenge to the validity of this sub-section (f) shall be determined exclusively by a court and not by the administrator or any arbitrator.

This Arbitration Provision is made pursuant to a transaction involving interstate commerce and shall be governed by and enforceable under the FAA. The arbitrator will apply substantive law consistent with the FAA and applicable statutes of limitations. The arbitrator may award damages or other types of relief permitted by applicable substantive law, subject to the limitations set forth in this Arbitration Provision. The arbitrator will not be bound by judicial rules of procedure and evidence that would apply in a court. The arbitrator shall take steps to reasonably protect confidential information.

This Arbitration Provision shall survive (i) suspension, termination, revocation, closure, or amendments to this Agreement and the relationship of the parties; (ii) the bankruptcy or insolvency of any party hereto or other party; and (iii) any transfer of any loan or Common Share or any amounts owed on such loans or notes, to any other party. If any portion of this Arbitration Provision other than sub-section (e) is deemed invalid or unenforceable, the remaining portions of this Arbitration Provision shall nevertheless remain valid and in force. If arbitration is brought on a class, representative, or collective basis, and the limitations on such proceedings in sub-section (e) are finally adjudicated pursuant to the last sentence of sub-section (e) to be unenforceable, then no arbitration shall be had. In no event shall any invalidation be deemed to authorize an arbitrator to determine Claims or make awards beyond those authorized in this Arbitration Provision.

You also acknowledge that the requirement to arbitrate disputes contained in this Section 13 and the waiver of court and jury rights contained in Section 14 are also in our operating agreement and that subsequent holders of our Common Shares will also be subject to such provisions.

BY AGREEING TO BE SUBJECT TO THE ARBITRATION PROVISION CONTAINED IN THIS AGREEMENT, INVESTORS WILL NOT BE DEEMED TO WAIVE THE COMPANY’S COMPLIANCE WITH THE FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATED THEREUNDER.

Waiver of Court & Jury Rights. The parties acknowledge that they have a right to litigate claims through a court before a judge, but will not have that right if any party elects arbitration pursuant to this arbitration provision. The parties hereby knowingly and voluntarily waive their rights to litigate such claims in a court upon election of arbitration by any party. The parties hereto waive a trial by jury in any litigation relating to this agreement, the common shares or any other agreements related thereto.

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Description of Entity (if applicable)

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Signature of Subscriber

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Name of Person Signing on behalf of Subscriber

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Title (if applicable)

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Number of Common Shares Purchased: __________________

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December 6, 2019
Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC

SUPPLEMENT NO. 1 DATED DECEMBER 31, 2019
TO THE OFFERING CIRCULAR DATED DECEMBER 6, 2019

This document supplements, and should be read in conjunction with, the offering circular of Fundrise Balanced eREIT, LLC (“we”, “our” or “us”), dated December 6, 2019 and filed by us with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) on December 6, 2019 (the “Offering Circular”). Unless otherwise defined in this supplement, capitalized terms used in this supplement shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Offering Circular.

The purpose of this supplement is to disclose:

· Revisions to the Redemption Plan

Revisions to the Redemption Plan

Effective as of January 1, 2020, we have adopted revisions to our Redemption Plan to reflect the following changes:

· Quarterly instead of monthly redemption requests and elimination of the 60 day waiting period.
· Separate redemption rights in the case of death or “qualifying disability” that eliminate any penalty for redemption in such circumstances and permit the redemption of shares at 100% of the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.

All portions of the Offering Circular that contain descriptions of the Redemption Plan are superseded by the disclosures in this supplement.

The revised description of the Redemption Plan set forth under the section of the Offering Circular entitled “Description Of Our Common Shares” is as follows:

Redemption Plan

Our common shares are currently not listed on a national securities exchange or included for quotation on a national securities market, and currently there is no intention to list our common shares. In order to provide our shareholders with some limited liquidity, we have adopted a redemption plan to enable shareholders to redeem their common shares in limited circumstances. We will not solicit redemptions under this redemption plan, other than through our offering circular and any supplements or amendments thereto disclosing our NAV per share. Shareholders desiring to request redemption of their common shares must do so of their own volition and not at our behest, invitation or encouragement. Our role in effectuating redemptions under the redemption plan will solely be ministerial.

While shareholders should view this investment as long-term, we have adopted a redemption plan whereby, on a quarterly basis, an investor has the opportunity to obtain liquidity. Our Manager has designed our redemption plan with a view towards providing investors with an initial period with which to decide whether a long-term investment in our Company is right for them. In addition, despite the illiquid nature of the assets expected to be held by our Company, our Manager believes it is best to provide the opportunity for quarterly liquidity in the event shareholders need it. The terms under which we may redeem shares may differ between redemption requests upon the death or “qualifying disability” of a shareholder (“exceptional redemptions”), as further discussed below, and all other redemption requests.

Pursuant to our redemption plan, a shareholder may only (a) have one outstanding redemption request at any given time and (b) request that we redeem up to the lesser of 5,000 common shares or $50,000 worth of common shares per redemption request. However, we reserve the right to waive these limitations for any reason. In addition, the redemption plan is subject to certain liquidity limitations, which may fluctuate depending on the liquidity of the real estate assets held by us.
The calculation of the redemption price will depend, in part, on whether a shareholder requests redemption within the first eighty-nine (89) days of first acquiring the shares (the “Introductory Period”) or thereafter (the “Post-Introductory Period”).

During the Introductory Period, the per share redemption price will be equal to the purchase price of the shares being redeemed reduced by (i) the aggregate sum of distributions paid with respect to such shares, rounded down to the nearest cent and (ii) the aggregate sum of distributions, if any, declared but unpaid on the shares subject to the redemption request. In other words, a shareholder would receive back their original investment amount, from the redemption price paid, prior distributions received and distributions that have been declared (and that will be received when paid), but would not receive any amounts in excess of their original investment amount.

During the Post-Introductory Period, except in the case of exceptional redemptions, the per share redemption price will be calculated based on a declining penalty to the NAV per share for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request, and rounded down to the nearest cent. During the Post-Introductory Period, the redemption price with respect to the common shares that are subject to the redemption request will not be reduced by the aggregate sum of distributions, if any, that have been (i) paid with respect to such shares prior to the date of the redemption request or (ii) declared but unpaid on such shares with record dates during the period between the redemption request date and the redemption date (i.e., the last day of the applicable quarter).

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<th>Holding Period from Date of Settlement</th>
<th>Effective Redemption Price (as percentage of per share redemption price)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Less than 90 days, including the settlement date (Introductory Period)</td>
<td>100.0%(3)</td>
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<td>90 days until 3 years</td>
<td>97.0%(4)</td>
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<td>98.0%(5)</td>
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<td>More than 5 years</td>
<td>100.0%(7)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Exceptional redemptions</td>
<td>100.0%(8)</td>
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(1) The Effective Redemption Price will be rounded down to the nearest $0.01.

(2) The Effective Redemption Price during the Introductory Period is calculated based upon the purchase price of the shares, not the per share price in effect at the time of the redemption request.

(3) The Effective Redemption Price during the Introductory Period will be reduced by the aggregate sum of distributions paid or payable on such shares, the amount of which we are unable to calculate at this time.
For shares held at least ninety (90) days but less than three (3) years, the Effective Redemption Price includes the fixed 3% penalty to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.

For shares held at least three (3) years but less than four (4) years, the Effective Redemption Price includes the fixed 2% penalty to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.

For shares held at least four (4) years but less than five (5) years, the Effective Redemption Price includes the fixed 1% penalty to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.

For shares held at least five (5) years, the Effective Redemption Price does not include any penalty to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.

For exceptional redemptions, the Effective Redemption Price does not include any penalty to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request.

Whether a redemption request is deemed to be in the Introductory Period or the Post-Introductory Period will be determined as of the date the redemption request is made, not the date the redemption request is honored. Meaning, for example, if a redemption request is submitted during the Introductory Period, but honored after the Introductory Period, the effective redemption price will be determined using the Introductory Period methodology.

The following is a brief comparison of our redemption plan during the Introductory Period (up to 90 days after settlement) and the Post-Introductory Period (90 days or more after settlement), which is qualified in its entirety by the disclosure contained herein.

### SUMMARY OF REDEMPTION PLAN

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<td><strong>Duration</strong></td>
<td>First 89 days after settlement</td>
<td>90+ days after settlement</td>
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<td><strong>Redemption Price</strong></td>
<td>100% of purchase price less distributions paid and distributions declared and to be</td>
<td>97-100% of NAV, depending on hold time and type of redemption request (no reduction for distributions)</td>
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<td><strong>Timing to submit request</strong></td>
<td>On or before the last day of the applicable quarter</td>
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<td><strong>Last Date to Withdraw Request</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Date of Redemption Payment</strong></td>
<td>Within twenty-one (21) days following the end of the applicable quarter</td>
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<td><strong>Frequency</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Minimum Amount of Shares Redeemed</strong></td>
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As noted above, the effective redemption price will not include any penalty to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request in respect of redemptions of shares resulting from the death of a shareholder who is a natural person, including shares held by such shareholder through a revocable grantor trust or an IRA or other retirement or profit-sharing plan, after receiving written notice from the estate of the shareholder, the recipient of the shares through bequest or inheritance, or, in the case of a revocable grantor trust, the trustee of such trust, who shall have the sole ability to request redemption on behalf of the trust. We must receive the written redemption request within 12 months after the death of the shareholder in order for the requesting party to rely on any of the special treatment described above that may be afforded in the event of the death of a shareholder. Such a written request must be accompanied by a certified copy of the official death certificate of the shareholder. If spouses are joint registered holders of shares, the request to have the shares redeemed may be made if either of the registered holders dies. If the shareholder is not a natural person, such as certain trusts or a partnership, corporation or other similar entity, the right of redemption upon death does not apply.

Furthermore, as noted above, the effective redemption price will not include any penalty to the per share price for our common shares in effect at the time of the redemption request in respect of redemptions of shares held by a shareholder who is a natural person who is deemed to have a “qualifying disability” (as such term is defined in Section 72(m)(7) of the Code), including shares held by such shareholder through a revocable grantor trust, or an IRA or other retirement or profit-sharing plan, after receiving written notice from such shareholder, provided that the condition causing the qualifying disability was not pre-existing on the date that the shareholder became a shareholder. We must receive the written redemption request within 12 months of the initial determination of the shareholder’s disability in order for the shareholder to rely on any of the waivers described above that may be granted in the event of the disability of a shareholder. If spouses are joint registered holders of shares, the request to have the shares redeemed may be made if either of the registered holders acquires a qualifying disability. If the shareholder is not a natural person, such as certain trusts or a partnership, corporation or other similar entity, the right of redemption upon disability does not apply.

We have the right to monitor the trading patterns of shareholders or their financial advisors and we reserve the right to reject any purchase or redemption transaction at any time based on what we deem to be a pattern of excessive, abusive or short-term trading. We expect that there will be no regular secondary trading market for our common shares. However, in the event a secondary market for our shares develops, we will terminate our redemption plan.

If we agree to honor redemption requests, such redemption of our common shares will be made quarterly upon written request to us prior to the end of the applicable quarter; provided, however, written requests for common shares to be redeemed during the Introductory Period must be delivered to our Manager prior to the end of such shareholder's Introductory Period. Shareholders may withdraw their redemption request at any time prior to the end of the applicable quarter. If we agree to honor redemption requests, such redemption requests will be effective as of the last day of the applicable quarter, and funds shall be remitted within twenty-one (21) days following the end of the applicable quarter. If we agree to honor a redemption request, the common shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue distributions or have voting rights as of the last day of the applicable quarter. We reserve the right to redeem shares pursuant to an exceptional redemption request outside of our quarterly redemption process.
We cannot guarantee that the funds set aside for the redemption plan will be sufficient to accommodate all requests made in any given time period. In the event our Manager determines, in its sole discretion, that we do not have sufficient funds available to redeem all of the common shares for which redemption requests have been submitted during any given quarter, such pending requests will be honored on a pro-rata basis, if at all, and priority will be given to exceptional redemptions. In the event that not all redemptions are being honored in a given quarter, the redemption requests not fully honored will have the remaining amount of such redemption requests considered on the next quarter in which redemptions are being honored. Accordingly, all unsatisfied redemption requests will be treated as requests for redemption on the next date on which redemptions are being honored, with redemptions processed pro-rata, if at all, and priority will be given to exceptional redemptions. If funds available for the redemption plan are not sufficient to accommodate all redemption requests, common shares will be redeemed on a pro-rata basis, if at all, and priority will be given to exceptional redemptions.

We intend to limit common shareholders to one (1) redemption request outstanding at any given time, meaning that, if a common shareholder desires to request more or less shares be redeemed, such common shareholder must first withdraw the first redemption request, which may affect whether the request is considered in the “Introductory Period” or “Post-Introductory Period”. For investors who hold common shares with more than one record date, redemption requests will be applied to such common shares in the order in which they settled, on a last in first out basis – meaning, those common shares that have been continuously held for the shortest amount of time will be redeemed first. In addition, we intend to limit shareholders to redemption requests to the lesser of 5,000 common shares or $50,000 worth of common shares, which may affect whether the entirety of a redemption request will be considered to be in the “Introductory Period” or “Post-Introductory Period”.

In light of the SEC’s current guidance on redemption plans, we intend to limit redemptions in any calendar quarter to shares whose aggregate value (based on the redemption price per share in effect as of the first day of the last month of such calendar quarter) is 1.25% of the NAV of all of our outstanding shares as of the first day of the last month of such calendar quarter (e.g., March 1, June 1, September 1, or December 1), with excess capacity carried over to later calendar quarters in that calendar year. However, as we intend to make a number of commercial real estate investments of varying terms and maturities, our Manager may elect to increase or decrease the amount of common shares available for redemption in any given quarter, as these commercial real estate assets are paid off or sold, but in no event will we redeem more than 5.00% of the common shares outstanding during any calendar year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, we are not obligated to redeem common shares under the redemption plan.

In addition, our Manager may, in its sole discretion, amend, suspend, or terminate the redemption plan at any time without prior notice, including to protect our operations and our non-redeemed shareholders, to prevent an undue burden on our liquidity, to preserve our status as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes, following any material decrease in our NAV, or for any other reason. However, in the event that we suspend our redemption plan, we expect that we will reject any outstanding redemption requests and do not intend to accept any new redemption requests until after the next NAV adjustment. In the event that we amend, suspend or terminate our redemption plan, we will file an offering circular supplement and/or Form 1-U, as appropriate, and post such information on the Fundrise Platform to disclose such amendment. Our Manager may also, in its sole discretion, decline any particular redemption request if it believes such action is necessary to preserve our status as a REIT for U.S. federal income tax purposes (for example, if a redemption request would cause a non-redeeming shareholder to violate the ownership limits in our operating agreement or if a redemption constitutes a “dividend equivalent redemption” that could give rise to a preferential dividend issue, to the extent applicable). Therefore, you may not have the opportunity to make a redemption request prior to any potential termination of our redemption plan.

For more information about our redemption plan or to submit a redemption request, please contact us by email at investments@fundrise.com.