UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):

June 7, 2021

DiamondRock Hospitality Company

| | Didilioi | (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter | |
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| | Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | 001-32514 (Commission File Number) | 20-1180098 (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
| | | 2 Bethesda Metro Center, Suite 1400 Bethesda, MD 20814 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) | |
| | I) | Registrant's telephone number, including area code): (240) 744 | 14-1150 |
| Check t | the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfied | sfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of | of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below): |
| | Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 $$ | CFR 230.425) | |
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| | Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the E | xchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) | |
| Securiti | ies registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: | | |
| | Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | Name of each exchange on which registered |
| | Common Stock, \$0.01 par value 8.250% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | DRH DRH Pr A | New York Stock Exchange New York Stock Exchange |
| this cha | ppter). | fined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230 | 30.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of |
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This Current Report on Form 8-K ("Current Report") contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of federal securities laws and regulations. These forward-looking statements are identified by their use of terms and phrases such as "believe," "expect," "intend," "project," "anticipate," "position," and other similar terms and phrases, including references to assumptions and forecasts of future results. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results to differ materially from those anticipated at the time the forward-looking statements are made. These risks include, but are not limited to national and local economic and business conditions, including the impact of COVID-19 on occupancy rates at our hotels and the demand for hotel products and services, and those risks and uncertainties described from time to time in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 1, 2021 and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on May 7, 2021. Although we believe the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are based upon reasonable assumptions, we can give no assurance that the expectations will be attained or that any deviation will not be material. All information in this Current Report is as of the date of this Current Report, and we undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to conform the statement to actual results or changes in our expectations.

ITEM 7.01.Regulation FD Disclosure.

A copy of a slide presentation that DiamondRock Hospitality Company (the "Company") intends to use at investor meetings is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K ("Current Report") as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein. Additionally, the Company has posted the slide presentation in the investor relations/presentations section of its website at www.drhc.com

The information in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of such section. The information in this Current Report, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, regardless of any incorporation by reference language in any such filing. This Current Report will not be deemed an admission as to the materiality of any information in this Current Report that is required to be disclosed solely by Regulation FD.

ITEM 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are included with this report:

Exhibit No. Description

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Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document 101.CAL Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document 101.DEF Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document 101.LAB Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

101.PRE 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

DIAMONDROCK HOSPITALITY COMPANY

Dated: June 7, 2021 /s/ Briony R. Quinn

Briony R. Quinn Senior Vice President and Treasurer



Forward Looking Statements

Certain statements made during this presentation are forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements generally include the words "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "plan," "estimate," "project," "will," "intend" or other similar expressions. Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, statements regarding, industry outlook, results of operations, cash flows, business strategies, growth and value opportunities, capital and other expenditures, financing plans, expense reduction initiatives and projected dispositions.

Factors that could cause actual results to materially differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements include, without limitation, national and local economic and business conditions, including the impact of COVID-19 on occupancy rates at the Company's hotels and the demand for hotel products and services, and those risks and uncertainties discussed in the most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, which DiamondRock Hospitality Company (the "Company") has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and which you should carefully review. The forward-looking statements made are based on our beliefs, assumptions and expectations of future performance, taking into account all information currently available to the Company. Actual results could differ materially from the forward-looking statements made in this presentation. The forward-looking statements made in this presentation are subject to the safe harbor of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

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This presentation contains statistics and other data that has been obtained or compiled from information made available by third-party service providers and believed to be reliable, but the accuracy and completeness of the information is not assured. The Company has not independently verified any such information.

Recent Events





Operations

| | Trailing Three Months | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|----------------------|----------|----------|--------------------|----------|----------|
| | March | | | April ⁽¹⁾ | | | May ⁽¹⁾ | | |
| | Осс | ADR | RevPAR | Occ | ADR | RevPAR | Осс | ADR | RevPAR |
| Urban | 55.4% | \$311.73 | \$172.62 | 62.7% | \$335.28 | \$210.28 | 62.9% | \$345.25 | \$217.24 |
| Resort | 18.4% | \$131.21 | \$24.11 | 23.3% | \$136.44 | \$31.82 | 28.4% | \$144.08 | \$40.97 |
| Total Portfolio | 26.9% | \$216.85 | \$58.34 | 32.4% | \$225.16 | \$72.96 | 36.4% | \$224.29 | \$81.62 |

- Cash flow positive each month
- Expect cash flow in Q2 to be positive after corporate G&A
- Reopened Chicago Marriott on 4/15/21, Hilton Garden Inn Times Square on 5/3/21, and Courtyard Fifth Avenue on 6/1/21

Strategic Transactions

- Created \$350MM+ Investment Capacity

- Sold Frenchman's Reef for \$35MM plus profit participation

 - Preserves \$175MM of liquidity
 Received \$240MM of insurance proceeds in December 2019

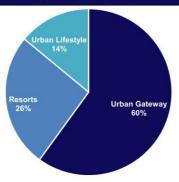
DiamondRock at a Glance

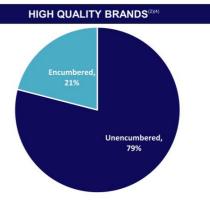


| 2020 FINANCIAL SUMMARY ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Hotels (Rooms) | 29 Hotels (~9K Rooms) | | | | |
| Stock Price | \$10.07 | | | | |
| 2019 Implied EBITDA Multiple | 12.1x | | | | |
| 2019 Implied NOI Cap Rate | 7.6% | | | | |
| Enterprise Value per Key | \$321K | | | | |



URBAN AND RESORT HOTELS IN TOP MARKETS(2)(4)









\$350MM+ of Investment Capacity

\$437MM liquidity available in cash and revolver capacity®

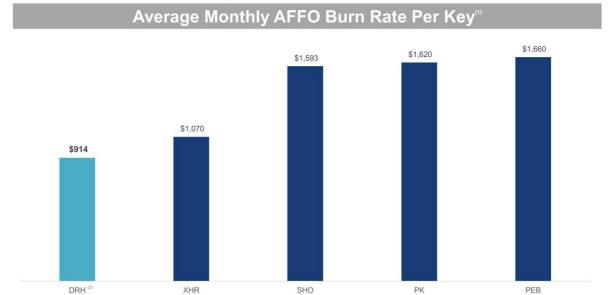
LEVERAGE BELOW PEER AVERAGE(2)



As of 3/31/21
 Source: Baird. Net Debt plus preferred / 2019 Consensus EBITDA.
 Note: Leverage calculation is not adjusted for estimated EBITDA contribution from Frenchman's Reef



Superior Asset Management: Tightest Cost Controls



Most Peers Have Burned Nearly 80% More Than DiamondRock

Q2 2020 through Q1 2021 AFFO per key per month.
Third Quarter AFFO excludes noncash income tax valuation allowance recognized in the quarter of \$12.4 million. Fourth Quarter AFFO excludes 2.2MM pandemic insurance cla

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Mitigating Cash Burn and Extending Runway

| | Quarterly Operating Metrics | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|--------|--|--|
| | Q4 2020A | Improvement | | | |
| Occupancy | 21.8% | 26.9% | 51 bps | | |
| Average Daily Rate | \$200.92 | \$216.85 | 8% | | |
| RevPAR | \$43.78 | \$58.34 | 33% | | |
| Total Revenue | \$59.3MM | \$72.9MM | 23% | | |

| | Monthly Burn Rate (\$MMs) | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|-------------|--|-------------------------|--|
| | Q4 2020A | Q1 2021A | Improvement | | Q2 2021E ⁽¹⁾ | |
| Hotel Net Operating Loss | 3.3 ⁽²⁾ | 1.8 | 45% | | | |
| Corporate G&A Expenses | 1.3 | 1.8 | | | | |
| Corporate Burn Rate | 4.6 | 3.6 | 22% | | 0.0 – 1.0 | |
| Debt Service | 4.6 | 4.7 | | | 4.9 | |
| Preferred Dividends | 0.8 | 0.9 | | | 0.8 | |
| Capital Expenditures ⁽³⁾ | 2.9 | 5.0 | | | 5.0 | |
| Fotal Monthly Cash Burn | 12.9 | 14.2 | | | 10.7 – 11.7 | |
| Total Liquidity | \$482MM | \$437MM | | | ~\$425MM | |
| Expected Runway | 37 Months | 31 Months | | | 36 - 40 Months | |

¹⁾ Internal forecast as of 6/3/21

Assumes capital expenditure of \$5MM per month in 202

Q4 2020A Hotel NOI Loss includes one time benefit of \$2.2MM related to a pandemic insurance clair

All Demand Segments Improving



Group

- Room Nights Up 71% in Q1 2021 over Q4 2020
- Lead Volumes at 61% of Pre-Pandemic Levels
- City-wide room nights up 8.6% over 2019 in Boston, Chicago, and DC
- Industry-wide room rates in 2022 up 10% over 2019

Business Transient

- Room Nights Up 25% in Q1 2021 over Q4 2020
- "Return To Travel" expected to follow "Return to Office"

Leisure

- Revenue Increased 31% in Q1 2021 over Q4 2020
- ADR increased 16% in Q1 2021 over Q4 2020





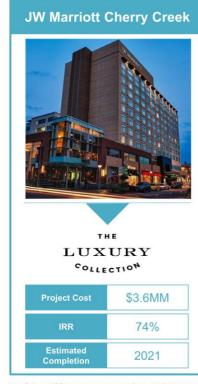
\$85MM of ROI Projects at 35%+ IRRs

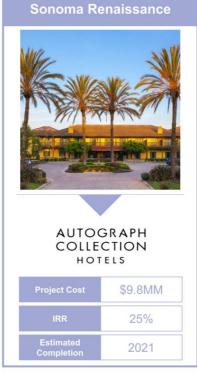
| Property Project (| | Estimated Capital Spend ⁽¹⁾ | Estimated Incremental EBITDA ⁽¹⁾ | Estimated IRR ⁽²⁾ | Estimated Completion |
|--|------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Sonoma Autograph Collection Conversion | | \$9.8 | \$1.4 | 25% | 2021 |
| Vail Marriott | Luxury Collection Brand Conversion | \$8.4 | \$3.4 | 88% | 2021 |
| vali Marriott | Rooftop Renovation and F&B Concept | \$4.7 | \$0.7 | 27% | 2021 |
| Denver JW Marriott | F&B and Public Space Renovation | \$2.5 | \$0.5 | 42% | 2021 |
| Denver Jvv Marriott | Luxury Collection Brand Conversion | \$3.6 | \$1.2 | 74% | 2021 |
| Charleston Renaissance | F&B Repositioning | \$2.1 | \$0.5 | 52% | 2021 |
| | Total Upcoming | \$31.1 | \$7.7 | 55% | |
| Orchards Inn | Resort Repositioning | \$19.8 | \$2.6 | 22% | 2022 |
| The Landing | Additional 17 Keys | \$6.1 | \$1.2 | 42% | 2022 |
| Boston Hilton | Additional 29 Keys | \$6.0 | \$1.0 | 33% | 2022 |
| | Total in Planning | \$31.9 | \$4.8 | 28% | |
| Active ROI Pipeline | | \$63.0 | \$12.5 | 42% | |
| Shadow ROI Pipeline | | \$25MM of C | apital Spend | Estimated | 20%+ IRR |

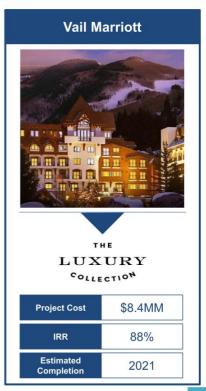
Estimated Capital Spend and Estimated Incremental EBITDA based upon management proforma Estimated IRR is calculated assuming a 3-year stabilization period and a 10.0x terminal multiple



Up-Branding Projects Create Value In 2022







Note: Estimated IRR is calculated assuming a 3-year stabilization period and a 10.0x terminal multipl

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Sweeping Marriott Deal Increases Portfolio Margins +50bp



Vail Marriott Mountain Resort

In 2020, DRH entered into an agreement with Marriott to alter several brand and management contracts.

Franchise Conversions

The following were converted from brand-managed to franchised properties:

- Atlanta Marriott Alpharetta Salt Lake City Marriott Downtown
- The Lodge at Sonoma
- Charleston Renaissance
- Courtyard Manhattan 5th Avenue

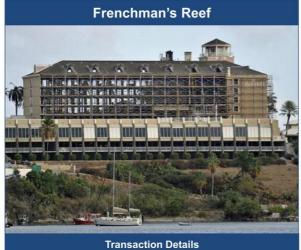
Up-Branding

- The Vail Marriott Mountain Resort to up-brand to Luxury Collection Hotel
- JW Marriott Cherry Creek to up-brand to Luxury Collection Hotel

The Lexington Hotel

The franchise agreement for The Lexington Hotel has been amended to provide termination

Created \$350MM+ of New Investment Capacity



\$35MM + Promote

April 2021

- Sold Frenchman's Reef to an affiliate of Fortress Investment Group for
 - \$35MM in cash plus a contingent profit participation
- Received \$240MM from insurance claim (Dec'19)
- Saves \$175MM on funding rebuild

The Lexington Hotel Transaction Details(1) \$185MM Q2/Q3 2021

- Signed Purchase & Sale agreement for \$185MM
- 6.3% capitalization rate on 2019 Hotel NOI
- 5.8% capitalization rate on 2018 Hotel NOI
- Buyer has posted \$7MM non-refundable deposit

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Targeting 50 Resort Micro-Markets and Lifestyle Cities



Synergies with Existing Portfolio

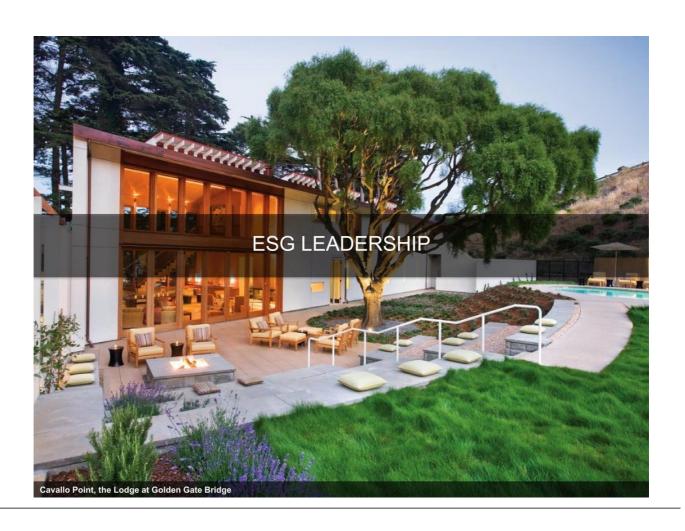


Heavily Leisure-Oriented



Mostly Off-Market Transactions

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Board Refreshment Strengthens Governance



Michael Hartmeier

- · Valuable Resource for Mergers & Acquisitions
- · 25-Years as Hospitality & Gaming Investment Banker
- M.B.A. Harvard Business School, B.A. UCLA



Tabassum Zalatrowala

- Leader in Construction and Design
- Advanced Management Program, Harvard Business School
- B.F.A., American Intercontinental University

Responsible Corporate Citizen



GRESB Annual Results

DRH GRESB Score 50 53 75 81 84 Peer Score Average(1) 51 57 58 69 69 Index to Peer Score Average 98% 93% 129% 117% 122%



ISS ESG Rankings®









Governance 2



ISS-ESG Corporate Ranking

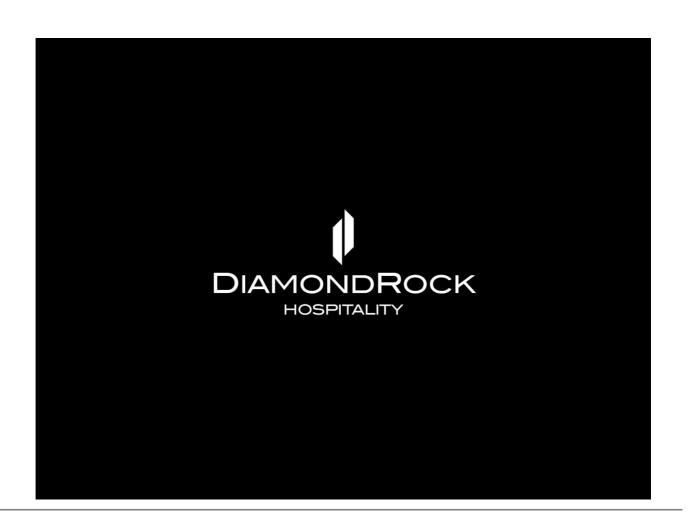


of all US Real Estate Companies

DiamondRock ranks in the top 5% of the Worldwide Real Estate Sector, earning an ISS ESG Prime designation

⁽¹⁾ Lodging Peer Average is based on 17 Lodging Companies including 10 REIT

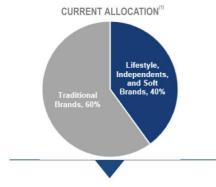
²⁾ ISS will not provide Quality Ranking of peer set to DRH without enrolling in their advisory services, however score is relative to peer s





DRH Lifestyle & Independent Strategy









Balances DRH's existing portfolio



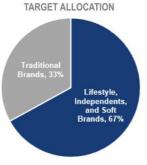
Greater opportunity for smaller deals



Reduces reliance on traditional brands



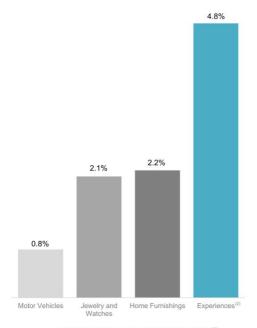
Cultural shift toward experiential travel



Target allocation will be **achieved through acquisitions** of lifestyle hotels, independents and soft brands and dispositions of traditional boxes

Experiential Travel Leads the Way





15-YEAR SPENDING CAGR (2004-2019)(1)

In the past decade, consumer spending in the US has seen a drastic shift toward experiences, rather than products or "things". DiamondRock's resort strategy capitalizes on this trend by offering the once-in-a-lifetime travel experiences that consumers are willing spend their excess income on.

of Americans say they prioritize experiences over products⁽³⁾

of Generation Z and Millennials would sell their furniture or clothes to travel (3)

According to a recent survey, the Top 3 drivers of travel decisions are (3):



Activities I will be doing on my trip



Having a "once-in-a-lifetime" experience



Having a cultural experience

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis
Experiences include the following Bureau of Economic Analysis categories: accommodations, air travel, foreign travel by US residents, membership clubs, sports centers, parks, theaters, museums, casino gambling, and food services.
Source: Expedia and the Center for Generational Kinetics

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The Next Generation of Travel



GENERATIONAL TRENDS

The future of travel will be dictated by the trends we see in Millennials (Generation Y) and Generation Z – who now account for 42.3% of the US population.

These young generations have introduced **the importance of social media** into the travel landscape, turning to the platforms for trip inspiration and sometimes going on trips for the main purpose of sharing with followers.

Research also shows that travel is more important to these generations and seeing the world is one of their top priorities in life. A survey conducted by Deloitte shows Millennials and Generation Z ranking their life ambitions in the following order:

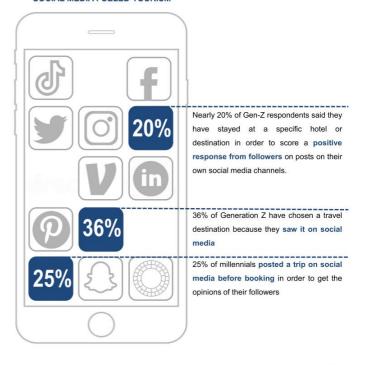
1. See and travel the world

2. Earn high salary/be wealthy

5. Have children/start families

- 3. Buy a home
- 4. Make positive impacts on society

SOCIAL MEDIA FUELED TOURISM(1)



The Post-COVID-Recovery Traveler





87% of respondents agree that having a trip planned in the future gives them **something to look forward to**

76%

76% of respondents are creating their **destination wish list** for future travel

64%

64% of respondents miss traveling so much that they are **willing to give up social media for a month** to go on vacation

56%

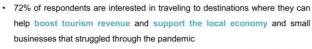
56% of respondents say that they miss traveling so much they are **willing to book a trip right now** even if they might have to cancel

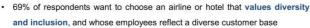
SOCIALLY CONSCIOUS TRAVEL

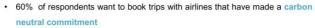


Consumers have a newly-heightened awareness to the values and ethics of companies and are choosing to travel with those providers that align with their own moral compass.



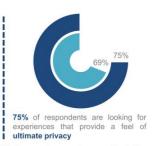






Source: American Express 2021 Global Travel Trends Report

EMERGING DESTINATION TRENDS



69% of respondents are interested in visiting lesser-known cities and destinations

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Resort Thesis Already Proven Successful

| | | EBITDA Multiple @ | | EBITDA Increase |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------|-----------------|
| | Investment (\$MM) | Purchase | YE 2019 | \$MM |
| Burlington Hilton | \$64 | 16.5x | 8.9x | \$3.9 |
| Charleston Renaissance | \$43 | 11.9x | 7.0x | \$2.9 |
| Fort Lauderdale Westin | \$167 | 14.8x | 10.7x | \$5.5 |
| Havana Cabana | \$54 | 12.2x | 15.8x | (\$0.5) |
| The Landing Resort & Spa | \$44 | 17.8x | 25.9x | (\$0.7) |
| Sedona - L'Auberge | \$67 | 15.8x | 8.6x | \$3.6 |
| Sedona - Orchards Inn | \$31 | 13.7x | 14.2x | (\$0.1) |
| Shorebreak | \$63 | 14.6x | 11.5x | \$1.5 |
| Sonoma Renaissance | \$40 | 10.7x | 5.7x | \$4.0 |
| Vail Marriott Mountain Resort | \$96 | 13.4x | 8.7x | \$6.2 |
| Total Resort | \$668 | 14.2x | 9.9x | \$26.3 |

Note: Figures exclude Frenchman's Reef, Cavallo Point and Barbary Beach House as these assets are either repositioned or currently under construction.

Strong Resort Market Presence











