## The Benefits of Aerial Panoramic Photography Before Construction



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# Hundreds of U.S. developments are using aerial panoramas to showcase views from specific floors before construction.

- First used in New York and Chicago
- Philadelphia seeing increasing usage of aerial panoramas

#### Vista Tower (Chicago)





www.vistatowerchicago.com
www.oneriversidecondos.com
www.anahawardvillage.com
www.theresidenceswaikiki.com
www.1seaport.com
www.one57.com

#### One Riverside (Philly)







## Developers using panoramas have seen accelerated pre-sales and pre-leasing.

#### One Riverside Showroom



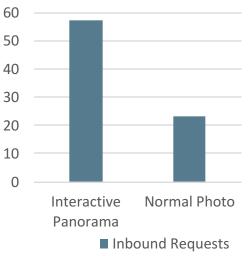
Norm Eckert Senior Sales Associate at Dranoff Properties

"I literally closed 50% of my sales standing in front of this monitor (shown in picture below) with clients. And this was **before** construction had even started. They were blown away by the views of the city.



http://www.oneriversidecondos.com/views

### 248% Increase in Online Inbound Requests





• Ritz-Carlton at Waikiki in September 2016, before construction of Tower 2, conducted A/B testing on their website. Half of visitors saw a normal artistic rendering of the building. The other half saw an interactive panoramic image.

## Forward-thinking developers are using aerial panoramas for view-based pricing.

#### East Market - Tower 2



- East Market's second residential tower currently under construction
- NREA team had previously discounted south units under assumption of inferior views



Charles
Norman
Development
Manager at National
Real Estate Advisors

the NW corner

"It's changing my perception of the views. We really thought that we'd value the north side of the building more. After seeing these photos, I'm much more of a fan of the view towards the south. I think those views will command the higher rents."

#### **Panoramic Views**

the SW corner



### Aerial panoramas provide the visual context that investors seek.

#### Bridge on Race

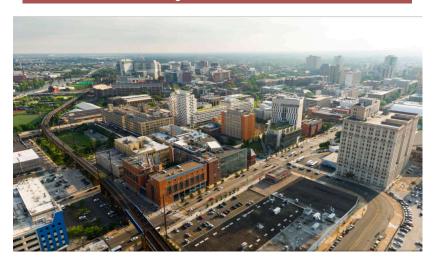




**Jeff Brown**Partner at Brown
Hill Development

"We're seeing a lot of interest from **Chinese investors**. They haven't been to Philadelphia, and don't fully appreciate the value of Old City's location. We need to showcase (Bridge on Race)'s visual context.

#### Schuylkill Yards



- Currently 3003 JFK is an undeveloped parking lot.
- Philly By Drone's aerial panorama unlocks the view from the future building for investors and tenants.

www.phillybydrone.com/panoramas/schuylkill-yards/tour.html



#### Conclusion

#### Aerial Panorama – New Trend

The use of aerial panoramic photography is rapidly increasing in Philadelphia

#### Benefits for Developers

- 1. Accelerated pre-sales and pre-leasing
- 2. View-based pricing
- 3. Investor buy-in

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