# Ridgeway Data Center Campus – Construction & Lease-Up Proposal (Digital Infrastructure)

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## **Executive Summary:**

Ridgeway Data Center Campus is a proposed 12 MW colocation facility in the Denver Tech Corridor, targeting hyperscale and enterprise tenants. The sponsor, Ridgeway Digital Partners, seeks a \$94 MM construction facility to develop the first 8 MW phase, with an additional 4 MW expansion optionality in Year-4.

#### **Project Overview:**

The facility will comprise 118,000 SF of raised floor area, N+1 cooling redundancy, and dual-feed power from Xcel Energy. Construction completion is slated for Q4 2026. The sponsor forecasts absorption of 6 MW by 2027, but no binding pre-leases are currently executed.

# Sources & Uses (MM):

Sources	Amount	Uses	Amount
Senior Loan	94.0	Land & Shell	22.0
Sponsor Equity	25.5	MEP / Fit-Out	58.0
_	-	Soft Costs	9.0
_	-	Contingency	2.5
Total	119.5	Total	119.5

## **Financial Summary:**

• Stabilized EBITDA: 12.6 MM (Yr-5)

• Debt Service (fixed): 9.4 MM / yr

• **DSCR:**  $0.84 \times \rightarrow 1.34 \times$ 

• Cap Rate: 6.0 % entry vs. 5.3 % peer data

• IRR (levered): 10.2 %

• LTC: 79 %

#### **Market Commentary:**

Denver's data center absorption has slowed (58 MW YTD vs. 92 MW 2024). Power pricing remains volatile; sponsor assumes flat utility rate (\$0.067/kWh) despite Xcel's 2025 tariff escalation notice (5–7 % increase). Comparable stabilized cap rates range 5.0–5.5 %.

#### **Underwriter Observations:**

- 1. **Execution Risk:** No pre-leases; modeled 50 % occupancy by Yr-3 unrealistic without anchor tenant.
- 2. **Construction Exposure:** EPC contract fixed-price but excludes transformer procurement, which accounts for 7 % of total cost.
- 3. **Valuation:** Exit modeled at 5.25 % cap, producing inflated terminal value (\$240 MM vs. \$210 MM market realistic).
- 4. **Coverage:** DSCR < 1.0× through Yr-3; reserves inadequate.

# **Coverage Trend Visualization:**



## **Committee Feedback:**

Committee concerned with leverage, unleased exposure, and optimistic absorption. Sponsor equity contribution adequate, but yield insufficient to offset risk.

#### Recommendation:

Decline as proposed. Revisit if anchor tenant secured pre-closing and exit cap revised ≥ 5.75 %.