A MARKET ANALYSIS OF THE LATONIA AREA

OF THE

CITY OF COVINGTON, KENTUCKY

A. What is a Market Analysis?

- 1. A market analysis focuses on the basic variables of supply and demand
- 2. The analysis should reveal opportunities and threats to an area
- 3. The findings of a market analysis combined with an analysis of the pace of the market (Absorption) form the foundation of a feasibility study
- 4. The findings of a market analysis become an important component of a long range plan

B. How is a Market Analysis Conducted?

- 1. The analysis starts with people
- 2. The basic building blocks are population, households, and income
- 3. The trends are the important feature of demographic analysis
- 4. The trends reflect past, current, and future demand in the market
- 5. Data is taken from reliable secondary sources and primary research
- 6. The data may not be perfect but it is the best that can be obtained

C. The Analysis is Both Internal and External

- 1. The trends within an area being analyzed are observed and recorded
- 2. Then the study area is analyzed in the "context" of the larger market in which it resides
- 3. The likenesses and differences between the study area and the larger "context" markets are observed and recorded
- 4. The disparities are identified and the "Why? questions are asked
- 5. The results are input into planning strategies for the study area

D. What Data Has Been Compiled for Latonia?

- 1. Latonia has been broken down into twelve parts Census Block Groups"
- 2. Data has been compiled for each sub-portion of the area, the area in total, and comparison drawn between the area and the City of Covington
- 3. Data and statistics for Population, Population Age, Household, Household Income Distribution & Trends and Income Statistics are included
- 4. The occupations and industries in which residents have worked has been analyzed
- 5. Labor force trends for the area have been examined
- 6. The retail business base has been identified and analyzed for magnitude of the markets being served by geography and drive times
- 7. The service business base has been identified and analyzed for magnitude of the markets being served by geography and drive times

E. Questions, Comments and Next Steps