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): July 30, 2021

FIRST WESTERN FINANCIAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Colorado

001-38595

37-1442266

	(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Commission File Number)		S. Employer fication No.)
	1900 16th Street, Suite 1200 Denver, Colorado (Address of principal executive offices)			80202 Zip Code)
	Registrant	's telephone number, including are	a code: (303) 531-8100	
	Former name o	or former address, if changed since	last report: Not Applicable	
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	s	Securities registered pursuant to Section	12(b) of the Act:	
	Title of each class Common Stock, no par value	Trading Symbol MYFW	Name of each exchange o The Nasdaq Stock	

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

First Western Financial, Inc. (the "Company") is furnishing investor presentation materials as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K, which may be presented at meetings with investors, analysts, and others, in whole or in part and possibly with modifications, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021.

As provided in General Instruction B.2 to Form 8-K, the information furnished in Exhibit 99.1 of this Current Report on Form 8-K 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 that section, and such information shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d)	Exh	aibits.
Exhibit Number	_	Description
99.1		First Western Financial, Inc. Investor Presentation
104		Cover Page Interactive Data File (the cover page XBRL tags are embedded in the Inline XBRL document).

SIGNATURES

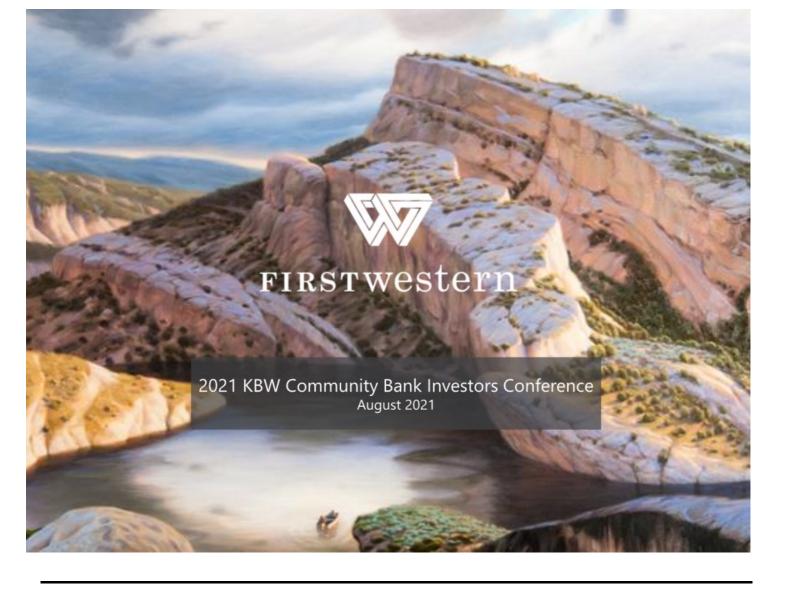
Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

FIRST WESTERN FINANCIAL, INC.

Date: July 30, 2021

By: /s/ Scott C. Wylie Scott C. Wylie Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President

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Safe Harbor

Additional Information about the Acquisition and Where to Find It
In connection with the proposed acquisition, First Western will file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a registration statement on Form S-4 to register the shares of First Western common stock to be issued to the shareholders of Teton Financial Services. The registration statement will include a proxy statement/prospectus which will be sent to the shareholders of Teton Financial Services seeking their approval of the acquisition and related matters. In addition, First Western may file other relevant documents concerning the proposed acquisition with the SEC.

SHAREHOLDERS OF TETON FINANCIAL SERVICESARE URGED TO READ THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON FORM S-4 AND THE PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS INCLUDED WITHIN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS TO BE FILED WITH THE SEC IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT FIRST WESTERN, TETON FINANCIAL SERVICES AND THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION.

Investors and shareholders may obtain free copies of these documents through the website maintained by the SEC at www.sec.gov. Free copies of the proxy statement/prospectus also may be obtained by directing a request by telephone or mail to First Western Financial, Inc., 1900 16th Street, Suite 1200, Denver CO, 80202, Attention Investor Relations (telephone (877) 505-1281), or by accessing First Western's website at www.myfw.com under 'Investor Relations.' The information on First Western's website is not, and shall not be deemed to be, a part of this release or incorporated into other filings it makes with the SEC.

Participants in the Solicitation

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First Western, Teton Financial Services, Inc. and their respective directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from the shareholders of Teton Financial Services in connection with the acquisition. Information about the directors and executive officers of First Western is set forth in the proxy statement for First Western's 2021 annual meeting of shareholders filed with the SEC on April 29, 2021. Additional information regarding the interests of these participants and other persons who may be deemed participants in the acquisition may be obtained by reading the proxy statement/prospectus regarding the acquisition when it becomes available.



An Emerging High Performing Institution

Overview

- Niche-focused regional wealth manager built on a private trust bank platform
- Headquartered in Denver, Colorado and positioned in desirable, affluent and high growth markets

Target Market

- Households of \$1+ million liquid net worth
- High net worth and high growth markets
- Colorado, Arizona, Wyoming, California and Montana

Competitive Advantage

- Operates as one integrated firm, not silos
- Team approach benefits both clients and First Western
- Local boutique private trust bank offices with central product experts

Company

Highlights

(as of 6/30/21)

Assets: \$2.01 billion
Total Loans: \$1.62 billion
Total Deposits: \$1.68 billion
AUM: \$6.76 billion

(for the year ending 12/31/20)

Loan Growth: 53.9%
 Deposit Growth: 49.1%
 Asset Growth: 57.7%
 ROAA: 1.48%

Q Office Locations WY

First Western Financial, Inc. (FW) Financial Holding Company

> First Western Trust Bank Colorado state chartered bank

(16 locations)

First Western Merger Corporation State licensed insurance agency

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Investment Highlights

Attractive Markets and Business Model

- Rapidly growing institution operating in high growth markets
- Diverse sources of recurring fee income that represent 50%+ of total revenue
- Attractive, stable deposit base with noninterest-bearing and money market accounts comprising 83% of total deposits
- · Conservative underwriting and affluent client base results in exceptional asset quality with minimal credit losses

Strong Earnings Momentum

- Significant revenue growth driving improved operating leverage and higher profitability
- TBV/share⁽¹⁾ increased 25% in 2020
- Continued scale expected to drive further leverage and generate returns consistent with a high performing institution over long term
- Pending acquisition of Teton Financial Services, Inc. provides additional catalyst for earnings growth in 2022

Proven Execution on Growth Strategies

- Track record of generating organic growth, expansion and acquisitions
- Total assets up 58% in 2020 with substantial increases in revenue and EPS
- Strengthening commercial banking platform creating more diverse loan portfolio and lower-cost deposit base

High Insider Ownership and Discounted Valuation

- Highly aligned with shareholder interests as insiders own ~22% of total shares outstanding
- Discounted valuation trading at just 1.5x TBV/share⁽²⁾

(1) See Non-GAAP reconciliation (2) As of July 23, 2021

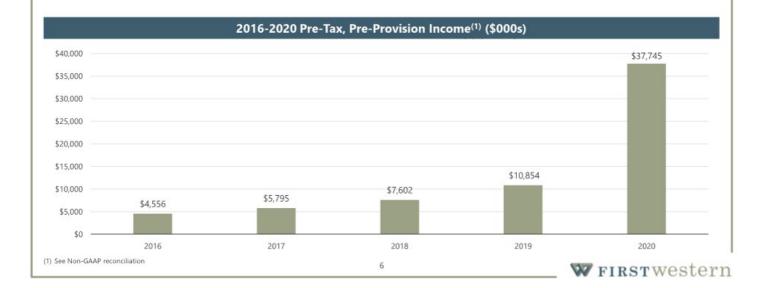
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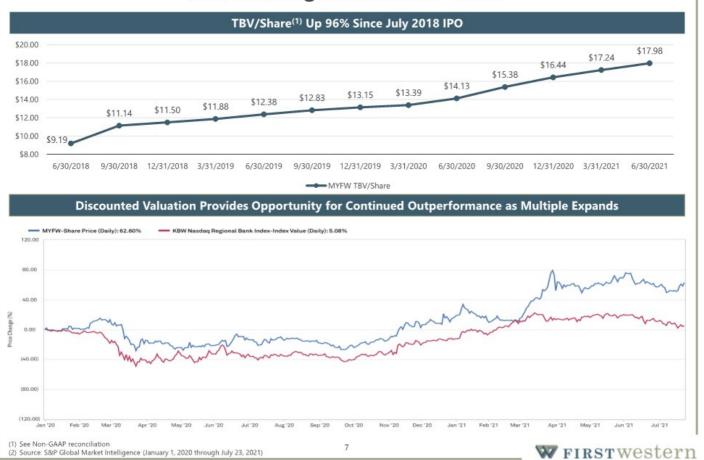
Strong Operational and Financial Momentum

Drivers of Improved Performance

- Robust balance sheet growth
- Higher fee income driven by strengthened mortgage team
- Consistent new client acquisition activity driving growth in assets under management
- Highly leverageable operating platform driving improved efficiencies
- Outstanding asset quality and low credit costs



Improving Earnings Driving Outperformance and Creating Shareholder Value





Great Markets, Scarce Investment Opportunity

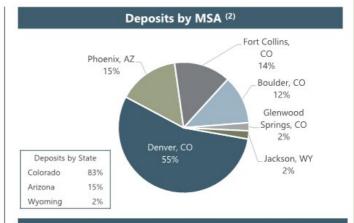
First Western Market Favorability (1)

- Colorado (2020)
 - #1 state for growth in personal income in 2019
 - #3 best state for business (24/7 Wall Street)
 - #3 best state for entrepreneurs and start-ups (Motley Fool)
- Denver, Colorado (2020)
 - #3 hottest job market (Wall Street Journal)
 - #5 fastest growing city (WalletHub)
 - #1 most searched location for out-of-state movers (Apartment List)
- Fort Collins, CO (2019)
 - #9 best performing city (Milken Institute)
 - · Manufacturing for Anheuser-Busch, Broadcom, Intel
- Phoenix, Arizona (2019)
 - · America's fastest growing city three years in a row
 - · 7.9% population growth from 2015 2019

MYFW is 2nd Largest Publicly Held CO Chartered Bank

Current Ownership	Total Assets (\$bn)
Private	24.4
Public (NYSE: NBHC)	6.7
Private (Sub. Of Pinnacle Bancorp-NE)	5.6
Private	5.2
Private	5.0
Private	3.3
HTLF (Acquired in 2017)	2.6
Public (Nasdaq: MYFW)	2.2
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(1) Source: 2020 Downtown Denver Partnership Report; Ft. Collins Chamber of Commerce; City of Phoenix (2) Source: S&P Global Market Intelligence as of 06/30/2020. (3) Percentage growth in household income (HHI).



Small Market Share Provides Large Growth Opportunity

MSA	State	Market Share	Projected % Change in HHI (2021-2026) ⁽³⁾
Denver-Aurora-Lakewood	СО	0.73	11.0
Fort Collins	СО	2.03	13.45
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale	AZ	0.15	13.18
Boulder	со	1.40	11.41
Jackson	WY/ID	1.12	8.50
Glenwood Springs	со	0.80	8.82
National Average			9.01



MYFW: Our Five Core Strengths

Differentiated, Proven in the Marketplace

- Niche-focused franchise headquartered in Denver, Colorado
- · Well-positioned in many attractive markets in Arizona, California, Colorado and Wyoming
- Specialized central expertise to compete with siloed national, regional firms
- Delivered through local, boutique trust banking teams so clients "owned" by MYFW, not associates

Built-in Operating Leverage

- · Strong profit center margins at maturity, growth opportunities in current and new markets
- · Revenue growth in both fee income and net interest income, with neutral balance sheet
- Scalable, leverageable high fixed cost, low variable cost Product and Support Centers
- Operating expense investment already in place for growth and expansion

Highly Desirable Recurring Fee Income

- ~50% fee income, consistently through MYFW's history
- Primarily recurring trust and investment management ("TIM") fees
- · Low risk, "sticky" wealth/trust business with comprehensive product offering
- Multiple entry points with ConnectView® proprietary review process to service, cross-sell

Experienced, Tested Team

- Executives are major bank/professional firm trained, with deep relationships in communities
- · Achieved growth through business and economic cycles, capital constraints
- Healthy relationship with all regulators with strong risk management culture
- CEO with proven track record for creating value in previous bank ownership

Unique Opportunity for Investors

- At critical mass but small market share, many current and new market opportunities
- Proven ability to expand: (1) Organically, (2) By expansion and (3) By acquisition
- Few large Colorado bank alternatives for investors and clients, creating lift-out opportunities
- Attractive revenue and earnings growth story trading at discounted valuation



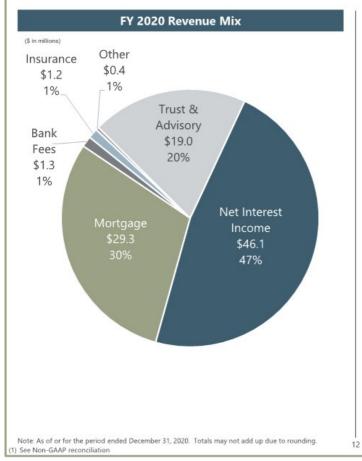
Cross-Selling a Diverse Set of Products and Services

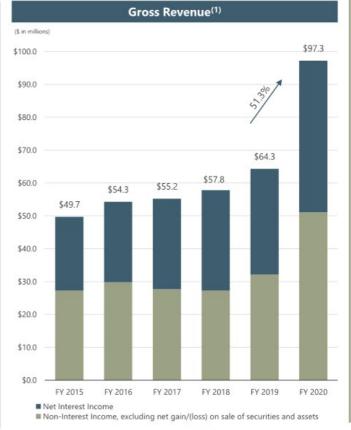
Our local profit centers team with specialized product experts through ConnectView®, with many points of entry Corporate loans to match specific needs Commercial Well-versed in working with complex cash flows and business models **Banking** Customized treasury management products and services Retirement plan consultants partnering with businesses to sponsor retirement plans Retirement / 401(k) · Creative corporate retirement plan design, analysis solutions, fiduciary liability management **Plan Consulting** ERISA compliance and education Mortgage banking specializing in purchase money, high net worth lending Residential Mortgage Underwritten to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac guidelines Lending · Targeted portfolio lending and secondary sales Wealth planning with specialized services (e.g. philanthropic) **Wealth Planning** Proprietary ConnectView® approach, with access to CFPs, CPAs and estate planning attorneys · Charitable giving tax strategies, deferred-compensation plans, life insurance, key person insurance • Provide a broad range of asset and sub asset classes, with automated tax and basis management Investment Create unique solutions through internal research, proprietary and third-party investment options Management · Central team creates the platform for Portfolio Managers to service clients, manage accounts

Trust

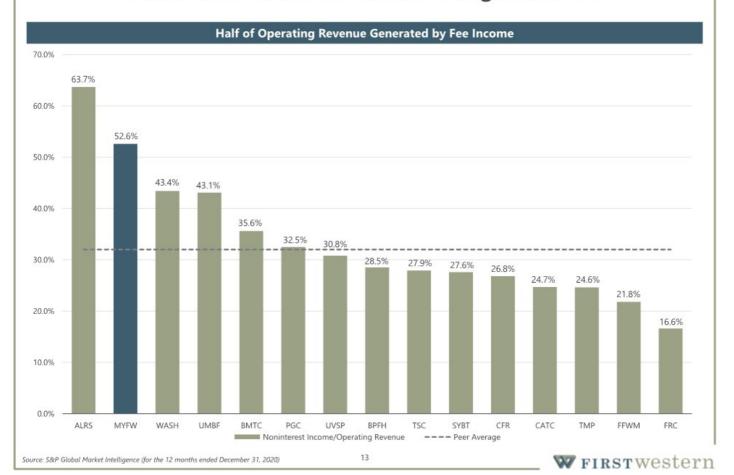
- Fiduciary wealth management with expert review of client objectives, creating solutions
- Irrevocable life insurance trust, conservatorship, successor trustee, directed custodial trusteeship
- WY tax-exempt asset protection, special needs trusts, escrow services, family office services

High Quality Revenues with Predictable Sources of Recurring Income













Revenue Growth Strategies

Expand commercial loan production platform

- Building expertise in specific vertical markets, e.g. medical and dental practices
- Capitalize on growing reputation to attract additional experience commercial banking talent

Expand into new markets with attractive demographics

- Vail Valley office opened in 2019
- Lone Tree office opened in 2020
- Built team and revenue base to open office in Broomfield, CO in 2Q21

Continue growing Mortgage business

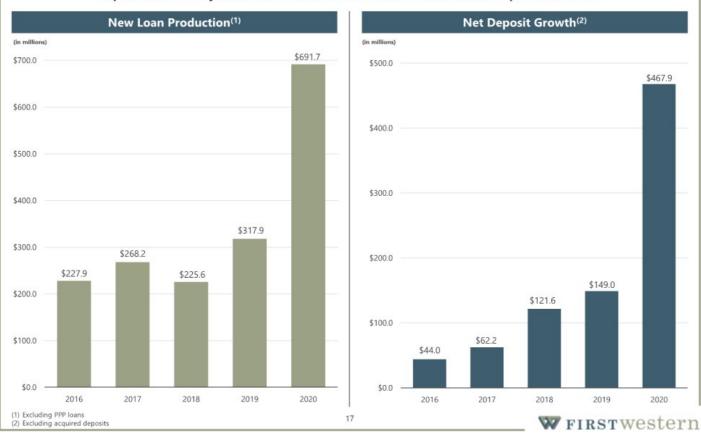
- MLO count increased 24% in 2019
- Added mortgage operations depth, capital markets capabilities in 2020
- · Continuing to attract proven MLOs to increase market share

Execute on lowrisk strategic transactions that add value to the MYFW franchise

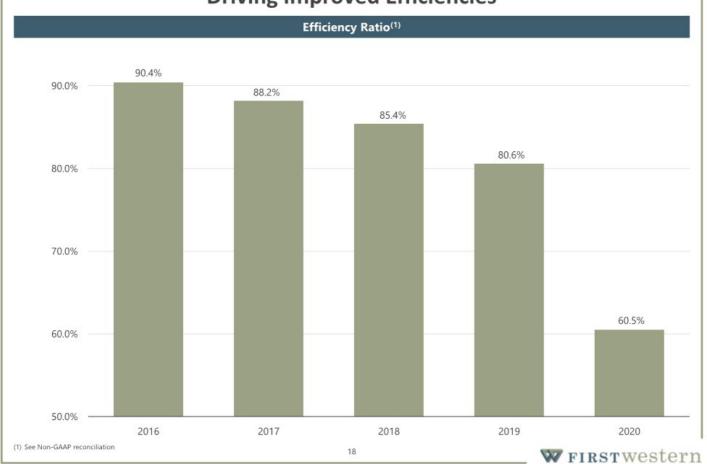
- Execute on minimally dilutive acquisitions
- Leverage infrastructure through branch acquisition transactions
- · Proactive expansion, acquisition team

Accelerating Business Development Trends

Capital raised in July 2018 IPO has allowed for increased business development activities

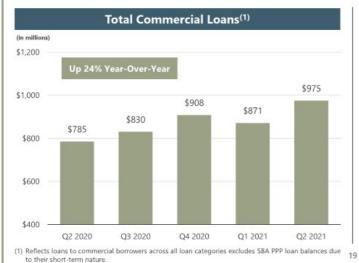


Increased Scale and Back-Office Streamlining Driving Improved Efficiencies



Commercial Banking Driving Growth

- During 2020, expanded commercial banking team and added construction lending expertise
- Increase in commercial banking clients contributing to growth in total loans and low-cost deposits while improving overall diversification
- Stronger commercial banking platform complements private banking and expanded mortgage capabilities to create a more valuable franchise with additional catalysts for future growth





Non-Mortgage Segment Earnings

- Non-mortgage segment earnings reflects contribution of private banking, commercial banking, and trust and investment management business lines
- Growth in private banking, commercial banking, and TIM businesses replacing earnings generated by mortgage segment in 2020 and creating sustainable path to higher profitability over long-term





Overview of 2Q21

Earnings Growth and Higher Returns

- Net income available to common shareholders of \$6.3 million, or \$0.76 diluted EPS, up from \$6.0 million, or \$0.74 diluted EPS, in 1Q21
- Return on average assets of 1.22%, up from 1.16% in 1Q21
- Return on average shareholders' equity of 15.17%, up from 14.95% in 1Q21

Growth in Private and Commercial Banking Driving Improved Profitability

- Excluding mortgage business, gross revenue increased 27% over prior year, while non-interest expense increased just 7%
- Balance sheet growth driving significant operating leverage and higher profitability
- New client additions and growth in AUM resulted in 9% growth in trust and investment management fees over prior year, despite sale of Los Angeles Fixed Income Team during 4Q20

Increasing Loan Growth and Reduction in Excess Liquidity

- Total loans held for investment, excluding PPP loans, increased 34% annualized from prior quarter
- Well balanced production across the portfolio
- Intentional run-off of higher-cost, non-relationship deposit accounts to reduce excess liquidity and support net interest margin

Asset Quality Remains Exceptional

- Non-performing assets declined to 0.16% of total assets from 0.18% at end of prior quarter
- History of exceptionally low charge-offs continues

Net Income Available to Common Shareholders and Earnings per Share

- Net income of \$6.3 million, or \$0.76 diluted earnings per share, in 2Q21
- Strong profitability results in 3.6% and 4.3% increase in book value per share and tangible book value per share⁽¹⁾, respectively, from 1Q21





Loan Portfolio

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2Q20

3Q20

4Q20

Average

1Q21

■ HFI

2Q21

■ HFS

Loan Portfolio Details

- Total loans HFI increased \$26.2 million, or 1.7% from prior quarter
- Excluding PPP loans, total loans HFI increased \$113.6 million, or 8.4% from prior quarter
- Forgiveness of PPP loans drove decline in Cash, Securities and Other portfolio
- Loan production returns to normalized levels with balanced contributions across the portfolio
- · Decline in payoffs helps drive higher loan growth

Loan Portfolio Composition ⁽²⁾					
(\$ in thousands, as of quarter end)		190 90000000000	2000 100.00		
	2Q 2020	1Q 2021	2Q 2021		
Cash, Securities and Other	\$371,111	\$363,155	\$290,907		
Construction and Development	74,793	110,024	127,141		
1-4 Family Residential	418,409	452,591	496,101		
Non-Owner Occupied CRE	229,150	317,457	324,493		
Owner Occupied CRE	117,426	161,787	178,847		
Commercial and Industrial	213,271	141,770	155,526		
Total Loans HFI	\$1,424,160	\$1,546,784	\$1,573,015		
Mortgage loans held-for-sale (HFS)	69,604	176,644	48,563		
Total Loans	\$1,493,764	\$1,723,428	\$1,621,578		
(1) Bank originated (2) Excludes deferred (fees) costs, and amortized	d premium/(unaccret	ted discount), net			



2Q21

1Q21 Period End

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Total Deposits

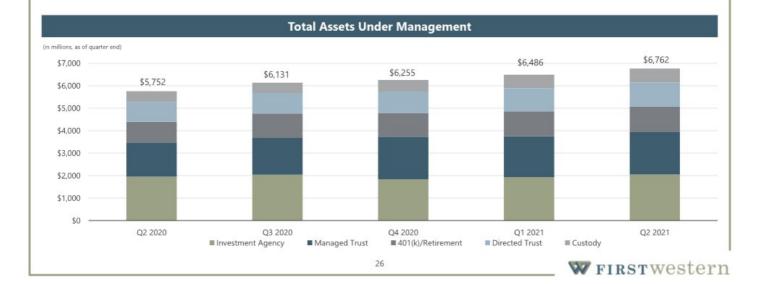
- Total deposits decreased \$128.8 million from end of prior quarter
- Decrease in deposits partially resulting from seasonal outflow related to tax payments and a decline in PPP-related deposits
- Excess liquidity funded the intentional reduction of higher-cost, non-relationship deposits (public funds) that will support net interest margin

Deposit Portfolio Composition				
	2Q 2020	1Q 2021	2Q 2021	
Money market deposit accounts	\$759,997	\$918,940	\$840,073	
Time deposits	152,897	157,072	137,499	
NOW	88,560	130,540	141,076	
Savings accounts	7,415	7,885	5,299	
Noninterest-bearing accounts	398,063	593,388	555,106	
Total Deposits	\$1,406,932	\$1,807,825	\$1,679,053	



Trust and Investment Management

- Total assets under management increased \$276.5 million from March 31, 2021 to \$6.76 billion at June 30, 2021
- The increase in asset balances were driven by both account additions and new account growth as well as the continued improvement in market valuations



Paycheck Protection Program Overview

Impact on 2Q21 Financials (1) (5 in Millions)		
Net Interest Income		
Amortization of SBA fee income and deferred loan origination expense (2)	\$1.2	
Interest income from PPP loans, less PPPLF funding cost	\$0.3	
Net Interest Income	\$1.5	
Net Interest Margin Impact	7 bps	

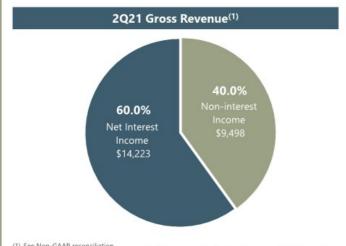
(\$ in Millions)	As of 6/30/21
Total Loans (existing PPP)	\$103.1
Total Loans Forgiven	\$177.4
PPPLF advances	\$105.8
Remaining Fees to be Recognized Pre-Tax ⁽³⁾	\$2.1

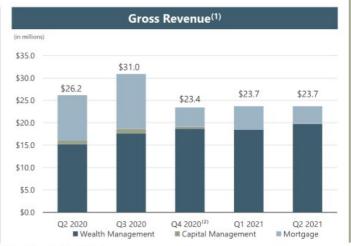
All numbers represented do not include the impact of taxes
 The deferred loan origination expenses are recorded in non-interest expenses (Salaries and Benefits) and amortized through net interest income
 Includes \$3.0 million in SBA fee income less \$0.9 million of deferred loan origination expense



Gross Revenue

- Gross revenue⁽¹⁾ unchanged from 1Q21
- Increase in net interest income and trust and investment management fees offset by lower net gain on mortgage loans



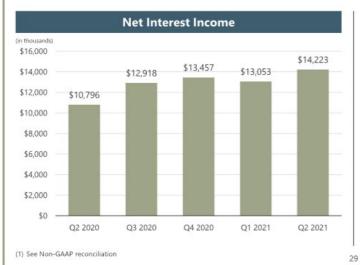


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(1) See Non-GAAP reconciliation
(2) Gross Revenue for Capital Management includes amounts for the fourth quarter of 2020 through the completion of the sale of the LA Fixed Income Team on November 16, 2020. Financial results after that date for the unsold portion are presented in Wealth Management.

Net Interest Income and Net Interest Margin

- Net interest income increased 9.0% from 1Q21, primarily due to higher PPP-related fees and higher average balances of non-PPP loans
- Net interest margin, including PPP and purchase accretion, increased 11 bps to 3.01%
- Net interest margin, excluding PPP and purchase accretion⁽¹⁾, was unchanged from 1Q21 at 2.88% Cost of funds decreased 3 bps to 0.28% in 2Q21 from 0.31% in 1Q21
- Net interest margin expected to be flat to slightly higher over 2Q21 as excess liquidity is utilized to fund increased loan growth

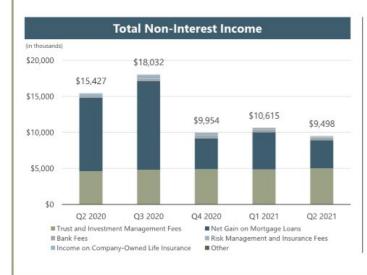






Non-Interest Income

- Non-interest income decreased 10.5% from 1Q21
- Decreased net gain on mortgage loans partially offset by higher trust and investment management fees
- Trust and investment management fees up 9% over 2Q20, despite loss of approximately \$0.4 million in fees per quarter related to LA Fixed Income Team sold in 4Q20





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Mortgage Operations

\$100

\$0

Q2 2020

Q3 2020

Mortgage Details

- Mortgage locks down 38% from prior quarter reflects decreased inventory and refi slow down
- Refi/Purchase mix of 49/51% in 2Q21 compared to 77/23% in 1Q21 and 67/33% in 4Q20
- Profit margin down 10% due to decreased volume





Q4 2020

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Q2 2021

Q1 2021

Non-Interest Expense and Efficiency Ratio

- Non-interest expense declined 0.7% from 1Q21
- Decline in non-interest expense drives improvement in operating efficiency ratio compared to 1Q21

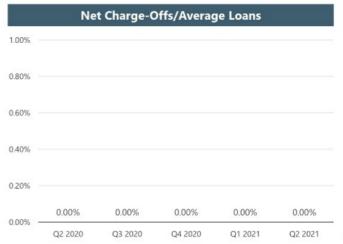




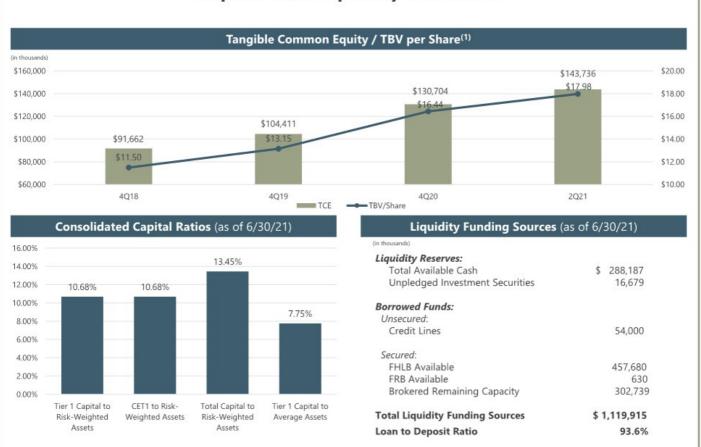
Asset Quality

- · Positive asset quality trends across the portfolio
- Non-performing assets decreased by \$0.9 million, and declined as a percentage of total assets to 0.16% from 0.18% in 1Q21
- Immaterial net charge-offs again in the quarter
- ALL/Adjusted Total Loans⁽¹⁾ decreased to 0.93% in 2Q21 from 1.01% in 1Q21, consistent with strong asset quality trends





Capital and Liquidity Overview



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(1) See Non-GAAP reconciliation



Expansion Into a Growing Wyoming Region

Strategic Rationale

- Acquisition of Teton Financial Services, Inc., holding company for Rocky Mountain Bank, creates a \$2.4 billion financial institution with \$1.9 billion in gross loans, \$2.1 billion in deposits, and \$7.2 billion in assets under management
- Expands First Western's footprint / market share in Wyoming
 - Wyoming demographics and business landscape aligns with First Western's business model with favorable trust, estate and tax laws
 - Ability to consolidate two Jackson Hole offices, and provide an attractive base for expansion into Pinedale and Rock Springs
- Complementary asset / liability mix and further diversification of First Western's loan portfolio
- Improves operating leverage and provides additional financial resources to execute First Western's strategic plan
 - Enhances revenue generation (not modeled) through diversification of lending revenues and robust cross-selling opportunities
 - Low-cost core deposits and higher yielding loans strengthen NIM and earnings

Enhances Shareholder / Stakeholder Value

- 5.2% accretive to 2022 EPS⁽¹⁾ (7.4% accretive assuming fully phased-in cost savings)
- 0.4% dilutive to tangible book value with a short earnback period of 0.4 years using the crossover method
- >20% internal rate of return
- Improves scale, profitability and liquidity
- Opportunity to retain talented banking professionals with an established presence in Wyoming
- Enhances capabilities to support local communities

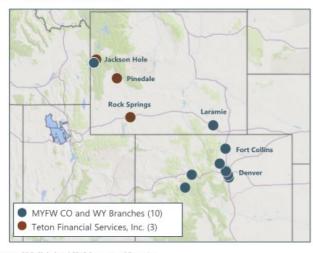
(1) Assumes 75% phase-in of cost savings in 2022



Teton Financial Services, Inc. Overview

Company Overview

- Holding company for Rocky Mountain Bank
- Operates out of three branches in Jackson Hole, Pinedale and Rock Springs
- Primarily focused on real estate and C&I lending within the Wyoming region
- Offers trust / wealth management expertise in Wyoming's favorable trust environment
- Attractive low-cost deposit franchise with 94% core deposits⁽¹⁾
- Double digit CAGR in loans and deposits (2013 2020)
- Bank level headquarters: Jackson, WY
- Year established: 1983



Source: S&P Global and FDIC Summary of Deposits
Note: Deposit market share data as of June 30, 2020
(1) Core deposits equal to total deposits less time deposits greater than \$100,000

Key Bank Level Financial Highlights

For the quarter ended March 31, 2021

Balance Sheet (\$mm)	
Total Assets	\$ 429.2
Gross Loans	274.9
Total Deposits	384.6
Total Equity	42.0
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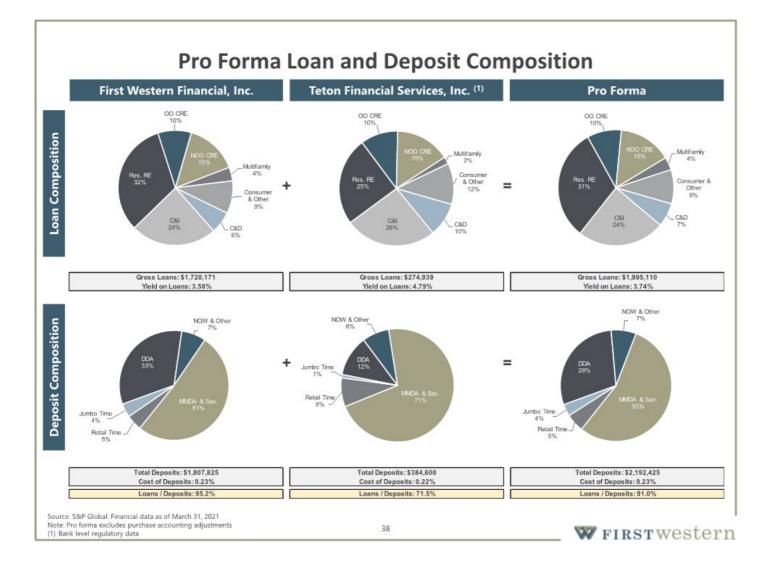
Profitability / Rates (%)	
Net Income (\$000s)	\$ 1,379
Return on Average Assets	1.32
Return on Average Equity	13.33
Net Interest Margin	3.08
Efficiency Ratio	52.9
Yield on Total Loans	4.79
Cost of Total Deposits	0.22

Balance Sheet Ratios / Capital (%)	
Gross Loans / Deposits	71.5
TCE / TA	9.33
Leverage Ratio	9.54
Tier 1 Capital Ratio	15.33
TRBC Ratio	16.60

Asset Quality (%)	
NPAs (excl. TDRs) / Assets	0.00
NPAs / Loans & OREO	0.03
NCOs / Avg. Loans	0.21
LLR / Gross Loans	2.02

Deposit Market Share by County								
	Market Pop.	Median HH Income	Deposits	Branches	Deposit Mkt. Share	Deposit Mkt. Rank		
Market	(N)	(\$)	(\$mm)	(N)	(%)	(N)		
Teton, WY	23,703	98,623	174.3	1	6.4	6		
Sublette, WY	9,771	78,347	85.2	1	26.1	2		
Sweetwater, WY	41,651	76,181	83.1	1	8.2	5		
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	Transaction Structure
Consideration	 0.0466 shares of First Western and \$0.39 in cash for each share of Teton Financial Services, Inc. Results in ~76% stock ~24% cash mix
Transaction Value(1)	 \$1.62 per share \$47.8 million aggregate transaction value
Collars ⁽²⁾	Fixed exchange ratio with collars set between \$21.50 and \$29.08
Transaction Multiples (Financial information as of 6/30/2021)	 Price / Tangible Book Value: 1.27x Pay-to-Trade Ratio: 0.86x Price / LTM Earnings⁽³⁾: 17.6x Price / 2022 Earnings: 11.0x Core Deposit Premium⁽⁴⁾: 2.9%
Pro Forma Ownership	 ~85% First Western ~15% Teton Financial Services, Inc.
Due Diligence	Completed, including extensive financial, loan compliance and legal review
Required Approvals	Teton Financial Services, Inc. shareholder approvals and other customary regulatory approvals
Anticipated Closing	 Late Q4 2021 or early Q1 2022
 Based on MYFW's stock price of \$26.46 as of July 21, Please refer to the Plan and Agreement of Merger for 3) For the last 12 months ending June 30, 2021 Core deposits equal to total deposits less time depos 	complete terms relating to stock collars and termination rights



	Key Transaction Assumptions
Earnings	 Consensus estimates for First Western Management estimates for Teton Financial Services, Inc.
Cost Savings	 ~\$3.0 million, or 30.0% of Teton Financial Services, Inc.'s 2022e standalone noninterest expense base 75% phase-in during 2022 and 100% thereafter
Fair Market Value Adjustments	 Loan Mark: \$5.8 million gross loan credit mark, or 2.17% of Teton Financial Services, Inc.'s loan portfolio (as of 6/30/2021) Real Estate Fair Value Write-up: \$3.8 million amortized using straight-line method over 20 years
Core Deposit Intangibles	 \$1.7 million, or 0.50% of Teton Financial Services, Inc.'s non-time deposits Amortized sum-of-the-year digits over 10 years
Other Assumptions	 Transaction expenses of \$5.7 million after-tax Increase in equity of \$1.3 million due to repayment of employee stock loan Teton Financial Services, Inc.'s \$3.6 million of subordinated debt is paid off before close Cash portion financed with new subordinated debt
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Near-Term Outlook

- Loan pipeline continues to increase and should lead to a higher level of loan growth in the second half of the year
- Reduction in excess liquidity and higher loan growth should lead to improved net interest margin relative to first half of 2021
- Success in new business development should drive continued growth in trust and investment management fees
- Mortgage activity should remain relatively consistent until seasonally slower fourth quarter
- Continued growth in revenue and stable expense levels should lead to improved operating leverage and higher profitability
- Acquisition of Teton Financial Services positions First Western to deliver another strong year of organic and acquisitive growth in 2022

Long-Term Goals to Drive Shareholder Value

Our mission is to be the BPBFWWMC - Best Private Bank for the Western Wealth Management Client

We believe First Western can be a unique, niche focused regional powerhouse with high fee income and consistent strong earnings from our scalable wealth management platform

- Drive to \$5 billion in total assets, \$25 billion TIM assets through both organic growth and acquisitions
 - ~50 offices
 - \$7-8 million in revenue per office
 - 60% contribution margin per office
- Build footprint, scale and operating leverage with M&A
 - Capital and earnings accretive
- Create, roll out virtual private bank
 - Robo advisor tied to bank
 - "Buy up" into expert advice
- Upgrade wealth management platform
 - Fully integrated front end
- Sell wholesale TIM services to other banks



A Unique and Attractive Investment

MYFW's core strengths provide the foundation for driving shareholder value

Differentiated, Proven in the Marketplace

Built-in Operating Leverage Highly Desirable Recurring Fee Income

Experienced, Tested Team Unique Opportunity for Investors

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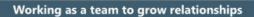
Team: Ready to Take MYFW to the Next Level

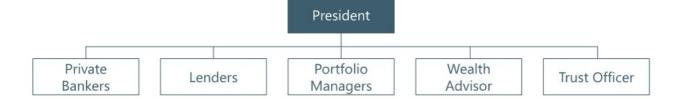
Name	Title	Joined FW	Years in Industry	Prior Experience
Scott C. Wylie	Chairman, CEO & President	2002	34	 Chairman & CEO, Northern Trust Bank of Colorado Chairman & CEO, Trust Bank of Colorado CEO, Equitable Bancshares of Colorado and Women's Bank, Chairman, Equitable Bank Chairman, American Fundware President & CEO, Bank and Trust of Puerto Rico Associate, First Boston Corporation
Julie A. Courkamp	Chief Financial Officer, Director & Treasurer	2006	21	 Assurance services with PricewaterhouseCoopers Executive roles within First Western with responsibility for Accounting & Finance, Risk, Technology and Operations
John E. Sawyer	Chief Investment Officer	2017	28	 Chief Investment & Fiduciary Officer, BBVA Compass Bank President & COO, Florida-based boutique wealth management firm Executive with Credit Suisse, Morgan Keegan & Co., and First Tennessee Capital Markets
Scott J. Lawley	Chief Credit Officer	2018	34	 Sr. Credit Officer & Segment Risk Officer, Huntington National Bank Credit advisor, chief underwriter, CRE credit officer PNC Bank, US Bank Lending positions with Fleet Bank
Matt Cassell	President, Commercial Banking	2020	24	 Colorado Market President, Simmons Bank President-Colorado, Bank SNB Market President, Community Banks of Colorado
Josh M. Wilson	Regional President, CO/WY/AZ	2008	22	 CFO, international oil and gas operating company PC President at First Western Executive with Bank One, JP Morgan and Vectra Private Bank

MYFW's Sophisticated Board of Directors

Name	Director Since	Primary Business	
Scott C. Wylie	2002	First Western Financial, Inc.	
Julie A. Caponi, CPA	2017	 Former Finance Executive at Arconic, Inc. (fka Alcoa Inc.) Former audit partner at Deloitte Board member & Audit Committee chair for FCF (NYSE) 	
Julie A. Courkamp	2021	First Western Financial, Inc.	
David R. Duncan	2011	 Energy Winery Executive, Silver Oak Cellars Entrepreneur, board member, business leader 	
Thomas A. Gart	2013	 Real Estate Developer Specialty Retail Executive Family business, PE investing across broad range of industries 	
Patrick H. Hamill	2004	Real Estate Developer Home Builder Executive Entrepreneur, business/community leader, real estate expertise	
Luke A. Latimer	2015	 Utility Maintenance Construction Executive Family business, public bank board 	
Scott C. Mitchell	2021	 President, U.S. Engineering, Metalworks President of several successful manufacturing companies Six Sigma Master Black Belt 	
Eric D. Sipf, CPA ⁽¹⁾	2003	Former Healthcare Executive US Army Asset management, finance, bank board, M&A	
Mark L. Smith	2002	Real Estate Developer Entrepreneur, community leadership, real estate expertise	
Joseph C. Zimlich, CPA	2004	Family Office Executive Corporate leadership, board, and investment management	
) CPA license inactive.		48	WFIRSTWester

Integrated Team Approach in Boutique Offices







Team-based incentives



Product group specialists



Holistic view of the client - ConnectView®



Many relationship managers to one client



Relationship-based wealth management



Organizational Structure Built for Scale

First Western

Profit Centers

Full Bank and Trust:

- · Aspen, CO
- Boulder, CO
- · Cherry Creek, CO
- Denver, CO
- DTC/Cherry Hills, CO
- Northern Colorado
- Jackson Hole, WY
- Scottsdale, AZ
- Broomfield, CO (2021)
- Lone Tree, CO
- Phoenix, AZ
- Vail Valley, Avon, CO

Loan Production Offices:

- Ft. Collins, CO
- Greenwood Village, CO

Trust Offices:

- Century City, CA
- · Laramie, WY

Product Groups

- Investment Management
- Fiduciary/ Trust
- Wealth Planning
- Retirement Services
- Insurance
- Mortgage Services
- Treasury Management

Support Centers

- Finance & Accounting
- Risk & Compliance
- Enterprise Technology
- Human Capital
- Credit Analysis
- Bank & Trust/Investment Operations
- Marketing/Branding

Big operating leverage from expert, high fixed cost teams

Very profitable when mature



Consolidated Efficiency Ratio	For the Three Months Ended,									
(Dollars in thousands)	June 30, 2020	September 30, 2020	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2021	June 30, 2021					
Non-interest expense	\$12,644	\$16,632	\$15,614	\$15,629	\$15,521					
Less: amortization	4	4	4	4	4					
Less: provision on other real estate owned	-	100	76	-	-					
Less: loss on assets held for sale										
Plus: gain on sale of LA fixed income team			62		-					
Adjusted non-interest expense	\$12,640	\$16,528	\$15,596	\$15,625	\$15,517					
Net interest income	\$10,796	\$12,918	\$13,457	\$13,053	\$14,223					
Non-interest income	15,427	18,032	9,954	10,615	9,498					
Less: Net gain on sale of securities		*			-					
Less: Net gain on sale of assets			· ·		-					
Total income	\$26,223	\$30,950	\$23,411	\$23,668	\$23,721					
Efficiency ratio	48.2%	53.4%	66.6%	66.0%	65.4%					

Consolidated Tangible Common Book Value Per Share	As of the Three Months Ended,												
(Dollars in thousands)	June 30, 2018	Sep. 30, 2018	Dec. 31, 2018	March 31, 2019	June 30, 2019	Sep. 30, 2019	Dec. 31, 2019		June 30, 2020	Sep. 30, 2020	Dec. 31, 2020	March 31, 2021	June 30, 2021
Total shareholders' equity	\$104,958	\$114,164	\$116,875	\$119,668	\$122,157	\$125,732	\$127,678	\$128,703	\$139,417	\$149,576	\$154,962	\$161,439	\$167,986
Less: Preferred stock (liquidation preference) Goodwill and other	24,968	ŀ	-	ē	-		-		-		-	-	-
intangibles, net	25,584	25,376	25,213	25,040	23,327	19,722	19,714	19,712	24,267	24,263	24,258	24,254	24,250
Intangibles held for sale(1)	*		-			3,553	3,553	3,000	3,000	3,000		-	
Tangible common equity	54,406	88,788	91,662	94,628	98,830	102,457	104,411	105,991	112,150	122,313	130,704	137,185	143,736
Common shares outstanding, end of period	5,917,667	7,968,420	7,968,420	7,968,420	7,983,866	7,983,284	7,940,168	7,917,489	7,939,024	7,951,749	7,951,773	7,957,900	7,994,832
Tangible common book value per share	\$9.19	\$11.14	\$11.50	\$11.88	\$12.38	\$12.83	\$13.15	\$13.39	\$14.13	\$15.38	\$16.44	\$17.24	\$17.98

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(1) Represents the intangible portion of assets held for sale



Wealth Management Gross Revenue0		For the Three Months Ended,						
(Dollars in thousands)	June 30, 2020	September 30, 2020	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2021	June 30, 2021			
Total income before non-interest expense	\$13,114	\$16,232	\$17,973	\$18,471	\$19,782			
Plus: Provision for loan loss	2,124	1,496	695	-	12			
Gross revenue	\$15,238	\$17,728	\$18,668	\$18,471	\$19,794			

Capital Management Gross Revenue		d,			
(Dollars in thousands)	June 30, 2020	September 30, 2020	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2021	June 30, 2021
Total income before non-interest expense	\$788	\$899	\$423	\$-	\$
Plus: Provision for Ioan loss					-
Gross revenue	\$788	\$899	\$423	\$-	\$

Mortgage Gross Revenue		For the Three Months Ended,							
(Dollars in thousands)	June 30, 2020	September 30, 2020	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2021	June 30, 2021				
Total income before non-interest expense	\$10,197	\$12,323	\$4,320	\$5,197	\$3,927				
Plus: Provision for loan loss	-	-	-	-	-				
Gross revenue	\$10,197	\$12,323	\$4,320	\$5,197	\$3,927				

Consolidated Gross Revenue	For the Three Months Ended,								
(Dollars in thousands)	June 30, 2020	September 30, 2020	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2021	June 30, 2021				
Total income before non-interest expense	\$24,099	\$29,454	\$22,716	\$23,668	\$23,709				
Plus: Provision for Ioan Ioss	2,124	1,496	695	2	12				
Gross revenue	\$26,223	\$30,950	\$23,411	\$23,668	\$23,721				
Diluted Pre-Tax Earnings Per Share	For The Three Months Ended								
(Dollars in thousands)	June 30, 2020	September 30, 2020	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2021	June 30, 2021				
Non-Mortgage income before income tax	\$3,148	\$2,581	\$5,386	\$5,917	\$6,983				
Mortgage income before income tax	8,307	10,241	1,716	2,122	1,205				
Less: Income tax expense	2,759	3,192	2,228	2,040	1,911				
Net income available to common shareholders	\$8,696	\$9,630	\$4,874	\$5,999	\$6,277				
Diluted weighted average shares	7,928,518	7,963,736	8,015,780	8,098,680	8,213,900				
Non-Mortgage Segment Diluted Pre-Tax Earnings Per Share	\$0.40	\$0.32	\$0.67	\$0.73	\$0.85				
Consolidated Diluted Pre-Tax Earnings Per Share	\$1.44	\$1.61	\$0.89	\$0.99	\$1.00				

Adjusted net income available to common shareholders	ders For the Three Months Ended,						
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)	June 30, 2020	September 30, 2020	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2021	June 30, 2021		
Net income available to common shareholders	\$8,696	\$9,630	\$4,874	\$5,999	\$6,277		
Plus: acquisition related expense including tax impact	245	-		-			
Plus: loss on intangibles held for sale including tax impact			-				
Adjusted net income to common shareholders	\$8,941	\$9,630	\$4,874	\$5,999	\$6,277		
Adjusted earnings per share		For t	he Three Months En	ded,			
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)	June 30, 2020	September 30, 2020	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2021	June 30, 2021		
Earnings per share	\$1.10	\$1.21	\$0.61	\$0.74	\$0.76		
Plus: acquisition related expenses including tax impact	0.03						
Plus: loss on intangibles held for sale including tax impact			-				
Adjusted earnings per share	\$1.13	\$1.21	\$0.61	\$0.74	\$0.76		
Total Non-Interest Expense adjusted for Non-Operating items		For t	ne Three Months Ended,				
(Dollars in thousands)	June 30, 2020	September 30, 2020	December 31, 2020	March 31, 2021	June 30, 2021		
Total non-interest expense	\$12,644	\$16,632	\$15,614	\$15,629	\$15,521		
Less: acquisition related expense	323						
Less: loss on intangibles held for sale	-		-				
Total Non-Interest Expense adjusted for Non-Operating items	\$12,321	\$16,632	\$15,614	\$15,629	\$15,521		
Allowance for loan losses to Bank originated loans excluding PPP		As of					
(Dollars in thousands)	March 31, 2021	June 30, 2021					
Gross loans	1,546,78	1,573,01	5				
Less: Branch acquisition	120,83	116,05	2				
Less: PPP loans	183,00						
Loans excluding acquired and PPP	1,242,94	1200	_				
Allowance for loan losses	12,53						
Allowance for loan losses to Bank originated loans excluding PPP	1.01	THE RESERVE TO THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN TO THE PERSON NAMED IN C					

Adjusted net interest margin												
(Dollars in thousands)	Average Balance	Interest Earned/Paid Y		Average Balance	Interest Earned/Paid	Average Yield/Rate	Average Balance	Interest Earned/Paid	Average Yield/Rate	Average	Interest Earned/Paid	Average Yield/Rat
Interest-bearing deposits in other financial institutions	178,756	99		194,179	100		213,577	91		292,615	92	
PPP adjustment	(38,618)	(45)		(20,871)	(5)		21,173	5		17,115	4	
Available-for-sale securities	40,528	173		37,512	186		31,936	196		26,474	169	
PPP adjustment	1.5			-	-		-	-		:-	-	
Loans	1,462,872	14,138		1,522,947	14,656		1,554,990	14,212		1,573,553	15,287	
PPP adjustment	(201,208)	(870)		(174,046)	(1,209)		(171,263)	(945)		(176,396)	(1,583)	
Purchase Accretion adjustment		(534)	_	10 10 10 1-	(333)		- 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	(344)	_	- E	(260)	
Adjusted total Interest- earning assets	1,442,330	12,961		1,559,721	13,395		1,650,413	13,215		1,773,360	13,709	
terest-bearing deposits		1,067			1,015			974			866	
PPP adjustment		N 6			2			3			9	
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porrowings		204			200			132			117	
PPP adjustment		(180)			(175)			(109)			(93)	
Subordinated notes		221			270			340			342	
Adjusted total interest- bearing liabilities		1,312			1,310			1,337			1,232	
Net interest income		11,649			12,085			11,878			12,477	
Adjusted net interest margin			3.23%			3.10%			2.88%			2.88

Consolidated Gross Revenue	A.1	For the Years Ended,						
(Dollars in thousands)	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020		
Total income before non-interest expense	\$49,339	\$53,394	\$54,501	\$57,617	\$63,976	\$92,600		
Less: Net gain on sale of securities	717	114	81	-	119	-		
Less: Net gain on sale of assets	-	-	-	-	183	-		
Plus: Provision for credit loss	1,071	985	788	180	662	4,682		
Gross revenue	\$49,693	\$54,265	\$55,208	\$57,797	\$64,336	\$97,282		

Consolidated Pre-tax, Pre-provision Income	For the Twelve Months Ended December 31,							
(Dollars in thousands)	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020			
Net Income, as reported	\$2,302	\$2,023	\$5,647	\$8,009	\$24,534			
Provision for loan losses	985	788	180	662	4,682			
Income tax (benefit) expense	1,269	2,984	1,775	2,183	8,529			
Pre-tax, Pre-provision Income	\$4,556	\$5,795	\$7,602	\$10,854	\$37,745			

Consolidated Efficiency Ratio						
(Dollars in thousands)	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	
Non-interest expense	\$49,823	\$49,494	\$50,195	\$53,784	\$59,537	
Less: Amortization	747	784	831	374	14	
Less: Goodwill impairment			-	1,572	-	
Less: Provision on other real estate owned	-	-	-	-	176	
Less: Loss on assets held for sale	5		3.50	-	553	
Plus: Gain on sale of LA fixed income						
team			(50)	77.0	(62)	
Adjusted non-interest expense	\$49,076	\$48,710	\$49,364	\$51,838	\$58,856	
Net interest income	\$24,457	\$27,576	\$30,624	\$32,061	\$46,102	
Non-interest income	29,922	27,713	27,173	32,577	51,180	
Less: Net gain on securities	114	81		119	-	
Less: Net gain on sale of assets	-		-	183	-	
Total income	\$54,265	\$55,208	\$57,797	\$64,336	\$97,282	
Efficiency ratio	90.4%	88.2%	85.4%	80.6%	60.5%	



Forward-Looking Statements

This communication may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. Investors are cautioned that such statements, including statements with respect to the expected benefits of the merger of Teton into the Company (the "Merger") and the timing of the Merger, are predictions and that actual events or results may differ materially. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future results and are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those we may expect, including, but not limited to: economic, political and market conditions and fluctuations; competition; the possibility that the expected benefits related to the Merger may not materialize as expected; the Merger not being timely completed, if completed at all; prior to the completion of the Merger, Teton's business experiencing disruptions due to transaction-related uncertainty or other factors making it more difficult to maintain relationships with employees, customers, other business partners or governmental entities; difficulty retaining key employees, and the parties being unable to successfully implement integration strategies or to achieve expected synergies and operating efficiencies within the expected time-frames or at all; governmental approval of the Merger may not be obtained or adverse regulatory conditions may be imposed in connection with governmental approvals of the Merger; conditions to the closing of the Merger may not be satisfied; and other factors identified in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). For a discussion of such risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements, see "Risk Factors" and the forward-looking statement disclosure contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed with the SEC

No Offer or Solicitation

This communication is not an offer to sell any securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy any securities in any state or jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Additional Information for Shareholders

The Company intends to file a Registration Statement on Form S-4 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), relating to the Company Stock (the "Registration Statement"), with the SEC. The Registration Statement will include a proxy statement/prospectus, which will be sent to the shareholders of Teton. INVESTORS ARE URGED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC IN CONNECTION WITH THE MERGER BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. Investors will be able to obtain these documents free of charge at the SEC's website (www.sec.gov). In addition, documents filed with the SEC by the Company will be available free of charge by accessing the Company's website (myfw.gcs-web.com, under "Financials") or by contacting Investor Relations at (877)-505-1281.

Participants in the Solicitation

The Company, Teton and certain of their respective directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from the shareholders of Teton in connection with the proposed transaction. Certain information regarding the interests of these participants and a description of their direct and indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, will be included in the joint proxy statement/prospectus regarding the proposed transaction when it becomes available. Additional information about the Company and its directors and executive officers may be found in the definitive proxy statement of the Company relating to its 2021 Annual Meeting of Shareholders filed with the SEC on April 29, 2021, and other documents filed by the Company with the SEC.