



DATE: October 20, 2026

TO: Chairman and Members
Community Redevelopment Agency

FROM: Mark Sohaney
Executive Director 

RE: Resolution No. 2026-09-CRA: A resolution of the Boca Raton Community Redevelopment Agency recommending that the City Council adopt proposed Ordinance No. 5790 amending the Amended Downtown Plan (Plan) to add a new implementation policy promoting long-term certainty, stability, and continuity in the ownership and stewardship of CRA-owned property, including Mizner Park.

RECOMMENDATION: I recommend approval of Resolution No. 2026-09-CRA recommending that the City Council adopt proposed Ordinance No. 5790, attached as Exhibit "1," which, if approved, will amend the Amended Downtown Plan by adding a new Implementation Policy 1.5 concerning the long-term ownership, operation, management, maintenance, and stewardship of CRA-owned property within the Redevelopment Area.

BACKGROUND: The Boca Raton Community Redevelopment Agency ("Agency") owns or holds various real property and associated proprietary interests within Mizner Park, including interests underlying or associated with commercial and office leases, cultural facilities, CRA-owned and operated public and common areas, and undeveloped property.

The Agency has a limited statutory existence through September 30, 2043, while a number of the ownership, leasing, operation, management, maintenance, and stewardship interests associated with Mizner Park are continuing and long-term in nature. The proposed Ordinance No. 5790 would amend the Amended Downtown Plan to expressly recognize the importance of long-term certainty, stability, and continuity in the ownership and stewardship of CRA-owned property.

Specifically, the proposed Implementation Policy 1.5 would provide that, where appropriate to further the purposes of the Amended Downtown Plan, the City and Agency may consolidate CRA-owned real property and associated proprietary interests in the City through intragovernmental conveyance. Such consolidation may include fee, landlord, reversionary, easement, common area, and other real property or proprietary interests associated with leased, civic, cultural, public, or undeveloped property comprising or associated with an integrated redevelopment project such as Mizner Park.

The proposed amendment is intended to facilitate continuity of public ownership and stewardship, reduce fragmentation of public ownership, provide for coordinated municipal administration, and allow for the orderly long-term management of redevelopment assets beyond the statutory life of the Agency.

A copy of proposed Ordinance No. 5790 is attached as Exhibit “1” for your reference.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact associated with this proposed request.

STRATEGIC IMPACT: This amendment to the Amended Downtown Plan supports the City’s Growth Management, Quality of Life, and Vibrant Economy strategic focus areas.

Attachment: Exhibit “1” – Proposed Ordinance No. 5790

Document originated by: Arlene Cheese-Nelson, DDRI Planning Analyst

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-09-CRA

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOCA RATON COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY RECOMMENDING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPT PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 5790 AMENDING THE AMENDED DOWNTOWN PLAN TO ADD A NEW IMPLEMENTATION POLICY TO SECTION VIII, "MANAGEMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, AND SAFEGUARDS," TO PROMOTE LONG-TERM CERTAINTY, STABILITY, AND CONTINUITY IN THE OWNERSHIP AND STEWARDSHIP OF CRA-OWNED PROPERTY, INCLUDING MIZNER PARK, LOCATED WITHIN THE REDEVELOPMENT AREA; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE (SC-26-07/PZSC-2026-00003)

WHEREAS, the Boca Raton Community Redevelopment Agency ("Agency") owns or holds various real property and associated proprietary interests within Mizner Park, including interests underlying or associated with commercial and office leases, cultural facilities, CRA-owned and operated public and common areas, and undeveloped property; and

WHEREAS, the Agency's finite legal existence extends through September 30, 2043, while many of the ownership, leasing, operation, management, maintenance, civic, cultural, and stewardship interests associated with major redevelopment assets such as Mizner Park are continuing and long-term in nature; and

WHEREAS, Section 163.400, Florida Statutes, authorizes the Agency, in furtherance of community redevelopment and related activities, to convey interests in property to the City; and

WHEREAS, proposed City of Boca Raton Ordinance No. 5790 would amend Section VIII of the Amended Downtown Plan to add a new Implementation Policy 1.5 promoting long-term certainty, stability, and continuity in the ownership, operation, management, maintenance, and stewardship of CRA-owned property and, where appropriate, providing for the consolidation in the City of CRA-owned real property and associated proprietary interests; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to recommend that the City Council adopt proposed Ordinance No. 5790; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF THE BOCA RATON COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY:

Section 1. The Agency hereby recommends adoption of proposed City of Boca Raton Ordinance No. 5790, attached hereto as Exhibit "1," amending the Amended Downtown Plan.

Section 2. If any section, subsection, clause or provision of this resolution is held invalid, the remainder shall not be affected by such invalidity.

Section 3. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be and hereby are repealed.

Section 4. This resolution is effective immediately.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Boca Raton Community Redevelopment Agency this
____ day of _____, 2026.

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
CITY OF BOCA RATON

ATTEST:

Andy Thomson, Chair

Mary Siddons, City Clerk

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CRA COMMISSIONERS	YES	NO	ABSTAINED
CHAIR ANDY THOMSON			
VICE CHAIR YVETTE DRUCKER			
COMMISSIONER MICHELLE GRAU			
COMMISSIONER JON PEARLMAN			
COMMISSIONER STACY L. SIPPLE			

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BOCA RATON
AMENDING THE AMENDED DOWNTOWN PLAN (A
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN) TO ADD A NEW
IMPLEMENTATION POLICY TO SECTION VIII
"MANAGEMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, AND SAFEGUARDS"
TO PROMOTE LONG-TERM CERTAINTY, STABILITY AND
CONTINUITY IN THE OWNERSHIP AND STEWARDSHIP OF
CRA-OWNED PROPERTY, INCLUDING MIZNER PARK,
LOCATED WITHIN THE REDEVELOPMENT AREA;
PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR
REPEALER; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, on August 10, 1982, the City Council of the City of Boca Raton adopted
Ordinance No. 3109, which approved a Community Redevelopment Plan for Downtown Boca
Raton ("Downtown Plan"), pursuant to the applicable provisions of Chapter 163, Part III Florida
Statutes; and

WHEREAS, on January 24, 1995, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 4203, which
adopted an amendment to the Downtown Plan; and

1 WHEREAS, on November 12, 2008, the City Council adopted Ordinance 5051, on
2 September 9, 2020, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 5530, on May 23, 2023, the City
3 Council adopted Ordinance No. 5648, on November 14, 2023, the City Council adopted
4 Ordinance No. 5652, on July 23, 2024, the Council adopted Ordinance No. 5695, on September
5 9, 2025, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 5748, and on September 22, 2026, the City
6 Council adopted Ordinance No. 5807, each of which further amended the Downtown Plan,
7 (“Amended Downtown Plan”); and

8 WHEREAS, the Amended Downtown Plan aims to foster an economic environment
9 conducive to quality development and redevelopment in Downtown Boca Raton, including through
10 coordinated redevelopment efforts, private investment, and municipal oversight; and

11 WHEREAS, Mizner Park was planned and developed as an integrated redevelopment
12 project consisting of interconnected commercial, office, cultural, civic, public, common area, and
13 other components, and the CRA continues to own or hold various real property and associated
14 proprietary interests within Mizner Park, including interests underlying or associated with
15 commercial and office leases, cultural facilities, CRA-owned and operated public and common
16 areas, and undeveloped property; and

17 WHEREAS, the CRA’s finite legal existence, which extends only through September
18 30, 2043, while many of the ownership, leasing, operation, management, maintenance, civic,
19 cultural, and stewardship interests associated with major redevelopment assets such as Mizner
20 Park are continuing and long-term in nature, creates a need for orderly planning concerning the
21 long-term public ownership and administration of such interests; and

22 WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the long-term success of integrated
23 redevelopment projects such as Mizner Park may be advanced by consolidating CRA owned real
24 property and associated proprietary interests in the City, the permanent general purpose
25 municipal government, thereby providing continuity of public ownership and stewardship,
26 reducing fragmentation of public ownership, facilitating coordinated municipal administration, and

1 supporting continued maintenance, reinvestment, modernization, and future redevelopment; and

2 WHEREAS, Section 163.400, Florida Statutes, authorizes the CRA, in furtherance of
3 community redevelopment and related activities, to convey interests in property to the City; and

4 WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend Section VIII of the Amended Downtown
5 Plan to add a new Implementation Policy 1.5, providing that the City and CRA shall promote long-
6 term certainty, stability and continuity relating to CRA owned property, where appropriate, through
7 the consolidation in the City of CRA-owned real property and associated proprietary interests;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, the CRA has recommended the Amended Downtown Plan be so further
10 amended; and

11 WHEREAS, the City Council has held a public hearing on the proposed amendment to
12 the Amended Downtown Plan, after public notice thereof; now therefore

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14 THE CITY OF BOCA RATON HEREBY ORDAINS:
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16 Section 1. The Amended Downtown Plan is hereby amended as follows:

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18 **VIII. Management, Implementation, and Safeguards**

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20 Fundamental to these processes are safeguards which include this plan, the retention of
21 powers by the City, an orderly and continuing process of public input, and the
22 development of annual objectives.

23 The City further recognizes that the long-term success of redevelopment efforts
24 depends in part on stable and continuous public ownership, operation, management,
25 maintenance, and stewardship of CRA-owned property within the Downtown. Where

1 appropriate to advance redevelopment objectives, reduce fragmentation of public
2 ownership, and provide continuity beyond the statutory life of the CRA, CRA-owned real
3 property and associated proprietary interests may be consolidated in the City, including
4 through intragovernmental conveyance pursuant to Section 163.400, Florida Statutes.

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6 **IMPLEMENTATION GOAL 1:**

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8 **IMPLEMENTATION POLICY 1.5: THE CITY AND CRA SHALL PROMOTE LONG TERM**
9 CERTAINTY, STABILITY AND CONTINUITY IN THE OWNERSHIP, OPERATION,
10 MANAGEMENT, MAINTENANCE, AND STEWARDSHIP OF CRA-OWNED PROPERTY
11 WITHIN THE REDEVELOPMENT AREA. WHERE APPROPRIATE TO FURTHER THE
12 PURPOSES OF THE AMENDED DOWNTOWN PLAN, THE CITY AND CRA MAY
13 CONSOLIDATE CRA-OWNED REAL PROPERTY AND ASSOCIATED PROPRIETARY
14 INTERESTS IN THE CITY THROUGH INTRAGOVERNMENTAL CONVEYANCE. SUCH
15 CONSOLIDATION MAY INCLUDE FEE, LANDLORD, REVERSIONARY, EASEMENT,
16 COMMON AREA, AND OTHER REAL PROPERTY OR PROPRIETARY INTERESTS,
17 INCLUDING INTERESTS ASSOCIATED WITH LEASED, CIVIC, CULTURAL, PUBLIC, OR
18 UNDEVELOPED PROPERTY COMPRISING OR ASSOCIATED WITH AN INTEGRATED
19 REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT SUCH AS MIZNER PARK.

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21 Section 2. If any section, subsection, clause or provision of this ordinance is held
22 invalid, the remainder shall not be affected by such invalidity.

23 Section 3. All ordinances and resolutions or parts of ordinances and resolutions and
24 all sections and parts of sections in conflict herewith shall be and hereby are repealed.

25 Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

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2 PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Boca Raton this ____ day
3 of _____, 2026.

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5 CITY OF BOCA RATON, FLORIDA
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7 ATTEST:
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11 Andy Thomson, Mayor
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14 Mary Siddons, City Clerk

15 Approved as to form:
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20 Joshua P. Koehler
City Attorney

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COUNCIL MEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSTAINED
MAYOR ANDY THOMSON			
DEPUTY MAYOR MICHELLE GRAU			
COUNCIL MEMBER YVETTE DRUCKER			
COUNCIL MEMBER JON PEARLMAN			
COUNCIL MEMBER STACY L. SIPPLE			