

Developer wants to buy city-owned land for 'Frontier Square' entertainment project

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Azur Equities plans to buy land from the Town of Davie and build a commercial project with entertainment, restaurants and a hotel.

On Sept. 11, the town's Planning & Zoning Board will consider approval for the 4.03-acre site at the northwest corner of Davie Road and Orange Drive.

It would permit 150,000 square feet of commercial space plus a four-story, 60-room hotel. The 14,138-square-foot commercial building there would remain.

Davie's Town Council approved selling the property for \$2.5 million to an affiliate of Aventura-based Azur Equities, led by **Sacha Touret**. The firm was **selected by the town in 2017** to redevelop a portion of its downtown area along Davie Road.

The new project, Frontier Square, will be focused on entertainment, food and beverage to cater to college residents in Davie and the new homes being built in the area, he said. Tenants of the project could include bowling or a cinema, he said. The hotel will be a boutique brand.

"All those new condo residents are waiting for retail and nice dining," Touret said. "They don't have to drive to University Drive or Fort Lauderdale or Plantation. We want them to stay in Davie."

In addition, the town has committed to spending \$5 million on improvements to Davie Road, Touret said.

Azur Equities is also building **several condos** and a commercial center called **Promenade** on Davie Road. Touret said he's working with Frank Costoya Architect, the same designer of those projects, on Frontier Square. He plans to submit a detailed site plan to the town in six to eight months.

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