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Miami's UDRB voted October 6 to recommend approval of The Sterling, a 73-story mixed-use tower proposed by Turkish developer Okan Group.

The proposal is of enough significance to Turkey that the country's consul general in Miami attended the meeting, [according to Miami Today](#). Turkey's national flower is the Tulip, which inspired the shape of the building.

Near the top of the tower, there will be a restaurant on the 68th floor open to the public.

The upper levels will have 363 high-end condo units, with a private amenity level. Residents will have access to an exclusive pool deck with a large arch on the top floor.

On the lower floors, a 300-room five star hotel with meeting space is planned.

Behar Font & Partners is the architect.

Also at the meeting, [a 43-story hotel proposed by Mandala Holdings](#) was approved, although board members complained about the lack of parking.



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Of course they voted in favor. They probably all got a hard on like we did when they saw the renderings. Beautiful building at a nice height and a great location. Love the name too.

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Pro Transit

Funny how the overall downtown Miami render shows the parking lot behind AAA as the park that it is supposed to be. Would love to see that happen and be able to use that park.

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And look at all the mature trees they dropped into museum park lol. Would love to actually see more of a tree canopy there.

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Hahaha, yea I noticed that too.

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Sheesh...this "Pro Transit" guy must really have a boring life if he need to come downtown to get his "park on."

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Anonymous

Architectonica, Kobi, Perez, etc. take a close look and get some inspiration.

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Miami, the only city where the *URBAN* Development Review Board complains about lack of car parking.

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Finally, an iconic tower comes to Miami!!!!
Can I take a pill to go to sleep till this is halfway through????
I literally can't wait!!!!

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Then you might have a tough time, considering this is unlikely to be built. Guess you literally can't even.

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Stop being such a Negative Nancy and be more like an Olivia Optimistica!!!!

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1000 Museum?

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Anonymous

Wow!
Love this tower!
The "Donut Hole" in downtown Miami is THE future of Miami
Signature Bridge, Marriot Expo Center, Brightline, Miami World Center, Museums, nightlife and the Heat!
This tower, Zaha tower, Hines office tower
I want to live, work and play THERE
If somehow Miami reels in Amazon, this is where they are going, no question about it

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Suomyona

The signature bridge is a farce.
Everything else should be pretty solid though.

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What about Skyrise?
I love that tower man.
I dream of bungee jumping downtown...

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Skyrise is disgusting—maybe you can get double teamed by this building and skyrise given the phallic nature of both

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Yes!!! lets get this built!

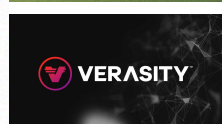
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Jesus

Complained about a lack of parking?

Like, are we so sparsely populated that people only have an option to drive? It's not like we don't have public transportation but then again, we don't properly invest in it. Either way, seems very encouraging that the folks in the meeting had nothing to do with planning. If they build this in Miami for national pride in Turkey, so be it. I want to see this skyscraper go up in the city.

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Build it..... the more nice buildings we have the more economical growth will spread for all the sectors , is an exponential factor of growth

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Who needs parking with Uber... stop requesting things that will be useless in a few years.

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I would love to see this building along with the Liquid Lofts project being built at the same time.

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How does it not get approved when the architect of the building sits on the board (despite having to recuse himself). This approval was all premeditated before the project even got presented.

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They really complained about a hotel in the omni next to a metromover station and bus station lacking parking. The review board is a bunch of idiots.

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What do you expect?...these are mostly people who come from South of the border.

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Woah good one! The one white guy in Miami strikes again!

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Hey, South of the Border is on the NC/SC state line, pal!

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Yohan Perez

The erdogan connection is

bothering me.



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Suomynona

Is there a connection aside from being Turkish?

(Honest question.)



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That's how we roll

Building was probably designed for the desert, scratched off, re-printed and presented to City of Miami, who loved it.



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time to flip



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Amazon's new headquarters? it's already approved and right in the middle of every thing right next to a brand new central train station



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Tulip or suppository ?



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Why do you ask...do you want to sit on it?



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I wanted but your wife was already sitting on it!
(:-)



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