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Wynwood Urby? Here are details about what likely will rise on old Art by God site

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Apartment developer Urby plans to build a residential building on the former Art by God retail site. The eight-story project is shown in this rendering submitted to the City of Miami and Wynwood Design Review Committee. *Concrete Amsterdam*

After years of <u>failed tries</u>, Wynwood is slated for an apartment building to rise at the site of the former Art by God novelty retailer.

An eight-story project called Wynwood Urby moved forward on Tuesday after receiving unanimous conditional approval from the Wynwood Design Review Committee. The apartments are planned on the one-acre property at 60 NE 27th St.

National apartment building developer Urby is teaming with Ironstate Development Group and Brookfield Properties on its first Miami development.

A handful of restaurant and retail spaces are expected to line the streets at the base of Wynwood Urby. The upper floors would include 289 apartments, according to plans submitted to the City of Miami and Wynwood Design Review Committee. The building would also have 197 parking and 106 biking spaces. Amenities included would be an open kitchen, gym and yoga studio.

The development is <u>another project</u> that creates more housing options in a community that just a few years ago was solely known for its art galleries and nightlife.

Wynwood is bordered by Edgewater, the Arts & Entertainment District, Midtown Miami and Allapattah. Developers like <u>Carpe Real Estate Partners</u>, <u>Related</u> and <u>Moishe Mana</u> continue to flock to the area, buying vacant land or <u>former warehouse spaces</u>. "This is a key site," said Steven Wernick, representative of Wynwood Urby and managing partner of the Wynwood-based law firm Wernick & Co. "It is an area of Wynwood that hasn't seen a lot of development. This will unlock this part of the neighborhood. It is a mixed-used urban project that will bring a lot of activity to the area."



A rendering of the eight-story Wynwood Urby, which would include 289 apartments. Concrete Amsterdam

Design committee members approved the project under a few stipulations. Changes for the final design need to include more artwork on the ground floor and murals in front of the parking garage's entrance from the project's artists, including Mick La Rock and the Italian artists group Truly Design.

The Wynwood Urby development partners paid \$18.32 million for the property in April 2021, according to property records. Wernick declined to comment on the project's construction budget.

The apartment project is expected to go before Miami's Urban Development Review Board next month, he said. Then Miami's building and planning departments would need to approve it before construction could start.

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