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## Office project wins gold for being environmentally friendly



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BOCA RATON – Lynn Financial Center, under construction near Military Trail and Butts Road, is the first commercial office project in Boca Raton to be certified "LEED Gold" by the U.S. Green Building Council.

The Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design is the national benchmark for environmentally friendly building design. City officials this morning attended a groundbreaking ceremony to kick off the start of construction on the project's second phase.

"It is only fitting to have this project in Boca Raton as we have been ahead of the curve environmentally for some time," said Mayor Steven Abrams.

Lynn Financial Center features an underground reservoir to collect and store rainwater collected from the buildings' roofs, metal solar screens and it is being built primarily with recycled or renewable materials.

Abrams, whose term in office ends in March, concluded his remarks with a bit of recycling related levity. "We recycle all kinds of products in Boca Raton and in March we will be recycling a few politicians as well."

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