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Stiles plans Publix in downtown Miami

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[W Stiles Corp.](#) said it plans to complete a [W Publix](#) in downtown Miami in early 2012.

The grocery store will be part of the Fort Lauderdale-based developer's 18Biscayne project, which is planned for 57,200 square feet in three stories. Financing for the project, on Biscayne Boulevard at Northeast 18th Street, is from [W Wells Fargo Bank](#).



A rendering shows the 49,000-square-foot Publix that Stiles plans as part of its 18Biscayne project in downtown Miami.

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The Publix would take up 49,000 square feet and include a bakery, pharmacy, liquor store and café. Stiles said it hopes to sign a national bank branch to a lease in a 3,200-square-foot spot there.

This would be one of the few new retail projects in South Florida.

In citing the need for more shopping in the area, Stiles pointed to a recent study by the [W Miami Downtown Development Authority](#) that showed 74 percent of the 22,079 downtown Miami condominium units that were built since 2003 are occupied.

"Downtown Miami is one of South Florida's fastest-growing residential areas, and the arrival of a new Publix in the legendary Omni neighborhood will undoubtedly spark interest from other national and local retailers," said Robert Breslau, president of Stiles Real Estate Investment Services Group, in a news release. "We are proud to have the opportunity to be a part of this much-needed project, and look forward to helping re-energize this prime location for potential businesses, restaurants and offices."