



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA STUDENT GOVERNMENT SENATE

SB [R] 6-004
Fletcher District Project
6th Term
Fall 2025



- A SENATE RESOLUTION -

The intent of this resolution is to express support for the Fletcher District project and to urge the University of South Florida Board of Trustees and Florida Board of Governors to advance and approve this project.

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Sponsor(s): Arjun Manohar, Relations Chair; Maria Julia Mussa Martins, Senator; Nithya Reddy Pothula, Senator; Lucio Bagulho, Senator; Emma Goodwin, Tampa Governor; Andre Aquino, Sarasota-Manatee Governor; Dennis Kukhareno, Sarasota-Manatee Lieutenant Governor; Caio Esmeraldi, Student Body Vice President; Mohammad Hadi, Senator; Miguel Garcia, Senator; Thomas O'Reilly, Senator; Evin Bento, Senator; Adrian Reyes-Alzate, Policy Chair; Delaney Gutierrez, Senator; Tyler Williams, Senate President; Victoria Drews, St. Petersburg Lieutenant Governor; Bitia Aliakbarzadeh, Senator; Ruby Suarez, Senator; Hunter Rabinowitz, Ethics Chair.

First Reading: Date of First Reading

Final Reading: 9/23/2025

Committee Vote: (6-0-1)



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Be it resolved by the Senate of the University of South Florida Student Government assembled,

Whereas, the University of South Florida (USF) continues to advance its mission as a preeminent research institution dedicated to **student success, innovation, and community engagement**; and

Whereas, the Fletcher District project plans to redevelop **27 acres of the former Claw golf course** within a 138-acre parcel, expanding USF's footprint for mixed-use development north of Fletcher Avenue and East of North 46th Street; and

Whereas, the Fletcher District development project represents a transformative opportunity to address the university's growing demand for **on-campus housing**, directly supporting affordability, accessibility, and student retention; and

Whereas, the project will include USF-developed **state-of-the-art academic and research facilities** that strengthen USF's position as a leader in innovation; and

Whereas, this development embodies a **public-private partnership (P3)** model, meaning USF will not bear financial responsibility nor leverage its credit to finance the non-USF developed assets of the project, a win-win outcome benefiting both the university and students; and

Whereas, the Fletcher District project will serve as a living laboratory by providing **experiential learning and professional development opportunities**, benefiting the students in various academic disciplines; and

Whereas, the project embraces the “**Live, Work, Learn, Play**” model, cultivating a vibrant, walkable environment that enhances student life, well-being, and holistic development; and

Whereas, this initiative will **revitalize underutilized land**, fostering a dynamic hub for community engagement, school spirit, and alumni and visitor connection; and

Whereas, the project will create significant **student employment opportunities** in retail, hospitality, and research operations, in addition to internships and co-ops tied to academic programs;

Therefore, be it resolved that on behalf of the University of South Florida (USF) Student Body, the USF Student Government (SG) strongly supports the Fletcher District development project as a critical investment in the student experience, academic excellence, and the long-term vitality of the university; and

Therefore, be it further resolved that on behalf of the USF Student Body, the USF SG urges the University of South Florida Board of Trustees and the Florida Board of Governors to advance and approve this project in recognition of its profound benefits to current and future students.

A copy of this resolution shall be sent to (you can list whoever you want this resolution to be sent to underneath):

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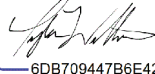
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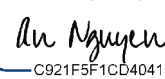


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Arjun Nguyen, Senate President Pro Tempore

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