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**CITY OF HOLLYWOOD
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
MEMORANDUM**

DATE: October 31, 2019 **FILE NO.** CRA-2020-02

TO: Leslie Del Monte, Planning Manager
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VIA: Jorge Camejo, Executive Director, CRA 

FROM: Francisco Diaz Mendez, Project Manager, CRA 

SUBJECT: Letter of support for special exception to the Design And Site Plan of the Broward Academy – 1808 Van Buren St.

ISSUE:

CRA recommendation regarding approval of the special exception to the Design and Site Plan related to the Broward Academy development.

EXPLANATION:

CRA staff has reviewed the subject request regarding a special exception to the Design and Site Plan relating to the Broward Academy development located within the Hollywood Downtown District. The proposed Design and Site Plan will consist of repurposing approximately 11,000 SF of existing space into a 9th-12th grade school and parking garage as an accessory use to a Place of Worship, at the intersection of Van Buren Street and South Federal Highway.

This project is appropriately scaled for the site, and the architectural design of the parking garage will greatly enhance the urban design component and improve the appearance along Van Buren Street. This project will encourage redevelopment around the surrounding area and therefore the CRA hereby submits this letter of support for the approval of the special exception.

RECOMMENDATION:

The CRA staff supports this project and recommends its approval.