

## Equus Breaks Ground on Logistics Center

Equus Capital Partners, Ltd., one of the nation’s leading developers and real estate investment managers, announced that it has broken ground on a 378,000 square-foot speculative warehouse logistics facility. The project, named Florida Gulf Coast 75 Logistics Center, is being constructed within the Enterprise Charlotte Airport Park (ECAP) and possesses immediate access to I-75. “To have a national developer with the experience and expertise of Equus commit to a speculative project of this magnitude in Charlotte County showcases the desirability of this location that many companies desire,” said Dave Gammon, Director of the Charlotte County Economic Development Office. “We are very excited about the opportunity to bring a new, Class A speculative warehouse logistics facility to this market,” stated Dan DiLella Jr., Senior Vice President of Equus. “The west coast of Florida is one of the strongest and fastest growing regions in the Southeast U.S.” The Florida Gulf Coast 75 Logistics Center will be a 32’ clear, single side loaded industrial facility and will possess 54 loading docks and 73 trailer storage spaces opposite the loading docks. Additionally, the project will consist of Class A industry standard LED lighting, 7” concrete floor and an ESFR sprinkler system. Read more [HERE](#).



## Punta Gorda Airport Air Center Ribbon-Cutting



Charlotte County officials, leaders and staff celebrated the ribbon cutting of the new PGD Air Center at Punta Gorda Airport last month. The new 13,000 square-foot facility, located at 27450 Challenger Blvd, not only provides services for general aviation pilots, but also houses aviation-based companies. In addition to the FBO operations, meeting and event space, offices, pilot lounge, and aircraft parking; the Air Center will house a restaurant and bar open to the public. The Charlotte County Airport Authority commissioners approved a lease agree with Rosati’s Pizza to fill the 2,500-restaurant space. “Eventually, the capacity of the restaurant is up to 120 seats,” said Commission Chair Rob Hancik during the ceremony. “In the interim, we will have some areas in there for public meetings and groups that want to meet out here and enjoy the new full-service restaurant.” The new PGD Air Center is the second phase of a three-phase, \$18 million project, referred to as PGD AviEx. The first phase, completed earlier this year, added 510,000 square feet of ramp space and extended Taxiway E. Phase 3 is underway now and will include 19 box hangars and 24 T hangars that will be completed by the end of the year. Construction for an FBO hangar adjacent to the Air Center is scheduled to begin in 2023. The Punta Gorda Airport is a strong economic driver for Charlotte County, and this development will help expand a thriving aerospace and aviation community. With only 60% of the airport’s 2000 acres developed there is plenty of space and opportunity for expansion for current tenants and to bring in new businesses to the county.