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Gov. Ron DeSantis offers remarks on Sept. 16 during an announcement that Silicon Valley-based artificial intelligence company ServiceNow will lease a significant portion of the new CityPlace office tower at an event at One Flagler office tower in West Palm Beach. PHOTOS BY THOMAS CORDY/PALM BEACH POST

ServiceNow firm expands to WPB

To be anchor tenant of 10 CityPlace office tower

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ServiceNow, a Silicon Valley-based artificial intelligence company, is expanding to downtown West Palm Beach with plans to employ more than 850 people during the next five years.

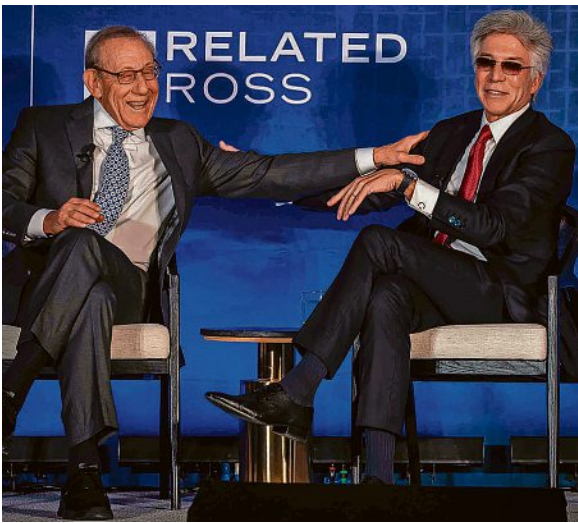
The company plans to launch an AI “renaissance,” building a workforce and an industry that will transform a once-sleepy city into a leader in the fastest-growing sector of the tech industry.

During a Sept. 16 news conference in West Palm Beach, ServiceNow Chairman and Chief Executive Bill McDermott praised business and government leaders for collaborating on the expansion that he billed as “the first sizable tech company of consequence coming into West Palm Beach.”

“I think this is renaissance movement,” McDermott said of the company’s new presence in the city, as well as the other tech companies that he expects will expand to the area in its wake.

Business leaders said ServiceNow’s expansion could galvanize longtime efforts to create a technology hub in South Florida by building upon the growing “Wall Street South” finance reputation of Palm Beach County.

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Stephen M. Ross, founder and chairman of Related Ross, and Bill McDermott, CEO of ServiceNow, talk onstage on Sept. 16 during an announcement that ServiceNow will lease a significant portion of the new CityPlace office tower.

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FAU professor on leave over online posts ‘defends academic freedom’

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BOCA RATON — Dr. Karen Leader has spent nearly two decades teaching students at Florida Atlantic University to think critically and speak openly. Now, after being placed on administrative leave over social media posts in the wake of the assassination of activist Charlie Kirk, she says her case shows just how precarious free expression has become on campus.

The tenured art history professor was temporarily removed from her campus duties Sept. 13 after reposting commentary on X, formerly Twitter, about Kirk, the conservative activist fatally shot at Utah Valley University on Sept. 12. University President Adam Hasner said her conduct was inconsistent with FAU’s values, without naming her.

Hasner, a longtime Republican member of the Florida Legislature, was appointed by Gov. Ron DeSantis to lead the FAU campus after months of debate over a new president.

Leader confirmed that she is the professor under review. She is also a faculty associate in the Center for Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies and has been active in campus political life, most recently speaking at a rally against federal immigration enforcement on Sept. 5.

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Should COVID vax be available in Florida on walk-in basis?

11 states awaiting a ruling from CDC advisory committee

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The Palm Beach Post is starting a series of health columns focused on navigating the financial and physical challenges to emerge as more and more people reach advanced age and, along with their children, confront a reality for which they will need help preparing. We want to hear what questions you have as you and your loved ones enter new territory.

Post insurance reporter Anne Geggis will take your questions about the ways to plan for living the best life even into advanced years. Email her at ageggis@gannett.com.

The latest poop patrol results — wastewater tests for the COVID-19 virus which foretell outbreaks before sickness hits — has turned up “very high” viral activity for Florida as confusion spreads about who can get vaccinated against the respiratory illness.

With those latest numbers from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention disease index, visual artist Sally Coler, 87, of Sarasota, keeps waiting for a particular community bulletin. It alerts residents at her senior living community, Sunnyside Village, that their seasonal shots against the flu and COVID are being offered in the community. But it’s not happening at the usual time, she said.

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Robert F. Kennedy Jr., the U.S. secretary of health and human services, says the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention no longer recommends COVID vaccines for healthy children and pregnant women. JACK GRUBER/USA TODAY

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