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Starbucks is brewing a store on Delray Beach's **Atlantic Avenue**.

The Seattle-based coffee chain will take the space occupied by the **Twilight Cafe**.

The 1,400-square-foot store, the downtown's first Starbucks, could open by early next year, said **Keith Schantz**, Starbucks' real estate manager for Florida.

Starbucks has been scouting for space in Delray Beach for a while.

The company has nearly two dozen stores in Palm Beach County.

◆ "Probably the biggest driving factor in the deal was our customers asking when we're going to open in Delray," Schantz said. "Many of our customers live in Delray, but go to our stores in other parts of the county."

◆ **Don DeWoody** of **Compass Realty Advisors** in West Palm Beach handled the Delray deal.

◆ Schantz said the company also plans to open a store in Jupiter, in the **Publix Center** on **Donald Ross Road**.

◆ The store should be open just after Christmas, Schantz said.