ITEM SUMMARY

MEETING DATE: May 17, 2021

FROM: Councilwoman Paula Bousquet, Chair, Educational Scholarship Committee

SUBJECT: 2021 Educational Scholarship Award Winners

BACKGROUND

The 2021 Educational Scholarship Program provides five (5) $1,500 scholarships, with one (1) that is awarded to an outstanding athlete in honor of former City employee Denise Padgett, and one (1) awarded in memory of former Councilman Norman Rose. This year, and additional $1,200 scholarship is being awarded to the 6th highest ranking applicant. The City Council voted unanimously to approve a sixth (6th) scholarship award during the May 3rd City Council meeting.

ANALYSIS

This year sixteen (16) applications were received, and qualified for interviews, conducted in the City Council Chambers, on Thursday, April 22, 2021. The Committee ranked and recommends the following six (6) applicants be awarded the FY2021 Educational Scholarships:

2021 Scholarship Awards	Applicant	School/College Affiliation
Denise Padgett Memorial Scholarship Award $1,500 Scholarship Award	Roberto Tello	Atlantic Community H.S.
Norman Rose Memorial Scholarship Award $1,500 Scholarship Award	Alexander Thomas	Alexander W. Dreyfoos H.S.
$1,500 Scholarship Award	Ridjinie Petit-Home	John I. Leonard H.S.
$1,500 Scholarship Award	Abdel Kareem Hilo	Spanish River H.S.
$1,500 Scholarship Award	Alexander Tapia	John I. Leonard H.S.
$1,200 Scholarship Award	Maia F. Anderson	Seminole Ridge H.S.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The five (5) original scholarship funds have been appropriated in the FY2021 City Council Budget, and the sixth (6th) scholarship will be funded out of the Administration Department's budget from un-expended funds from: $200 from 001-10-11-48-1, and $1,000 from 001-10-11-48-6.

LEGAL

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Ratification of the Scholarship Committee's recommendation of the six (6) educational scholarships as presented. The Award Certificates shall be presented to the recipients and they shall be recognized during the June 21, 2021 City Council meeting.