



Legislation Text

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ITEM: PRESENTATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS AND CONTRIBUTIONS BY WASTE MANAGEMENT, INC. OF FLORIDA TO LOCAL AREA SCHOOLS

REQUEST: Waste Management, Inc. of Florida (WMI) will present sustainability scholarships to Wellington High School and Palm Beach Central High School (\$2,500 each), as well as provide contributions for the purchase of books to Binks Forest and New Horizons Elementary Schools (\$1,800 each) and Polo Park Middle School (\$900).

EXPLANATION: The Village Council awarded a contract to WMI effective June 1, 2016 through September 30, 2021. As part of the contract, WMI is responsible for providing \$5,000 in sustainability scholarships to Wellington high schools (\$2,500 each to Wellington and Palm Beach Central High Schools) for a period of five (5) consecutive years.

The scholarships will be utilized for the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programs at both Wellington and Palm Beach Central High Schools. The scholarships will be awarded based on an essay competition concerning sustainability issues. Members of the Village's Education Committee along with Waste Management will score and rank each essay submitted and will ultimately select the winners.

In addition, as part of the contract, WMI will provide \$300 in contributions for the purchase of books, for each grade level, at two Wellington area elementary schools and one middle school annually. This year's recipients are Binks Forest and New Horizon Elementary Schools (\$1,800 each) and Polo Park Middle School (\$900).

During the term of the contract, all Wellington area elementary schools and middle schools will receive such contributions.

Representatives from all five schools will be present to accept the contributions.

BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUIRED: NO

PUBLIC HEARING: NO **QUASI-JUDICIAL:**

FIRST READING: **SECOND READING:**

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY: YES

FISCAL IMPACT: No fiscal impact to the Village.

WELLINGTON FUNDAMENTAL: Responsive Government

RECOMMENDATION: Waste Management, Inc. of Florida (WMI) will present sustainability scholarships to Wellington High School and Palm Beach Central High School (\$2,500 each), as well as provide contributions for the purchase of books to Binks Forest and New Horizons Elementary Schools (\$1800 each) and Polo Park Middle School (\$900).

