

Takoma Park City Council Meeting – January 18, 2016 Agenda Item 2

Voting Session

Resolution Authorizing Distribution of City of Takoma Park Scholarship Funds for Montgomery College Students

Recommended Council Action

Approve the Resolution

Context with Key Issues

The Council included \$5,000 in the Fiscal Year 2017 budget for the purpose of creating a scholarship award for college students. At the January 11 Council Meeting, Council discussed the criteria to be considered for a scholarship and authorized staff to make necessary arrangements with Montgomery College for the distribution of scholarship funds. The attached resolution formally outlines the criteria for the scholarship award and authorizes staff to proceed with distributing the funds.

Council Priority

A Livable Community for All; Engaged, Responsive & Service-Oriented Government

Environmental Impact of Action

N/A

Fiscal Impact of Action

The resolution authorizes staff to provide \$5,000 to Montgomery College to be used for scholarships based on the agreed upon preference criteria.

Attachments and Links

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CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

Resolution No. 2017-

Resolution Authorizing Distribution of City of Takoma Park Scholarship Funds for Montgomery College Students

- WHEREAS, the City Council included \$5,000 in the Fiscal Year 2017 budget for the purpose of creating a scholarship award for college students; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council is aware of the financial needs of many students who attend Montgomery College's Takoma Park-Silver Spring campus; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council has established the following scholarship award criteria:
 - Student qualifies for financial need as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
 - Student resides in Takoma Park (though does not have to be a U. S. citizen).
- WHEREAS, in addition to the criteria above, when considering eligibility for the scholarship awards, preference will be given to:
 - Students in the Achieving Collegiate Excellence and Success (ACES) program
 (http://cms.montgomerycollege.edu/EDU/Department.aspx?id=54902).
 - Students who have a minimum GPA of 2.5; and
- WHEREAS, the \$5,000 will be used to provide five \$1,000 scholarships to five Montgomery College students; and
- WHEREAS, Montgomery College has agreed to administer the funds based on the scholarship award criteria and preferences and provide the City with the names and contact information of the student awardees so they can be recognized by the Council.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Takoma Park authorizes the distribution of \$5,000 to Montgomery College to be used to provide five \$1,000 scholarships to students meeting the established scholarship award preferences.

Adopted this _____day of January, 2017.