CITY OF UNALASKA UNALASKA, ALASKA

RESOLUTION 2019-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL APPROVING SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE AWARDED TO GRADUATING SENIORS AT UNALASKA HIGH SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the Unalaska City Council deems it is in the best interest of the young people of Unalaska to seek further education to acquire additional skills; and

WHEREAS, students in the graduating class of 2019 have submitted applications for scholarships to the Unalaska City School District; and

WHEREAS, the Unalaska City School District Scholarship Committee reviewed and scored each student's application; and

WHEREAS, the Scholarship Committee has recommended scholarship recipients and the amount of their corresponding scholarship.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Unalaska City Council hereby awards a total of \$35,000 in scholarships to graduating seniors of the Unalaska City School District in the amounts recommended by the Scholarship Committee.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a duly constituted quorum of the Unalaska City Council on May 14, 2019.

> Frank Kelty Mayor

ATTEST:

Mariie Veeder

City Clerk

MEMORANDUM TO COUNCIL

To:

Mayor and City Council Members

From:

Mariie Veeder, City Clerk

Through:

Thomas Thomas, City Manager

Date:

May 14, 2019

Re:

Resolution 2019-26, approving scholarships to be awarded to graduating

seniors at Unalaska High School

<u>SUMMARY</u>: Each year, the City Council awards scholarships to graduating seniors. The 2019 list of students and the amount of the corresponding awards was developed for Council's approval by the Unalaska City School District Scholarship Committee. By approving Resolution 2019-26, Council awards scholarships to the students named and for the amounts identified by the Scholarship Committee.

BACKGROUND: Council approves a resolution each year approving scholarships to graduating seniors and included \$35,000 in the FY19 budget for this purpose.

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: In order for the scholarships to remain confidential in advance of the graduation ceremony, the resolution does not contain the names of the recipients or the individual amounts to be awarded. That list will be provided confidentially to Council at the meeting on May 14.

ALTERNATIVES: The Council has three alternatives:

- 1. Adopt Resolution 2019-26, approving scholarships to the named students in the amounts recommended by the committee;
- 2. Choose to award scholarships to a different roster of students for varied amounts; or
- 3. Choose not to award scholarships to graduating seniors.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: The FY19 Mayor and Council budget includes \$35,000 for this purpose.

LEGAL: None.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends adoption of Resolution 2019-26.

PROPOSED MOTION: Move to adopt Resolution 2019-26.

CITY MANAGER COMMENT: I recommend adoption of Resolution 2019-26.