MINUTES BOARD BUDGET COMMITTEE January 26, 2006

Mrs. Mack called the meeting to order at 9:20 A.M. Present were:

Committee Members

Mrs. Gladys W. Mack

Mr. Dana Kauffman

Mr. Marion Barry

Mr. Jim Graham

Mr. Robert J. Smith

Mr. Marcell Solomon

Mr. Charles Deegan

Other Board Members

Mrs. Catherine Hudgins

Mr. Gordon Linton

I. <u>Information Items</u>:

A. Metro Access Program Report

Prior to proceeding with the scheduled agenda, Mrs. Mack asked for the status report of the program. Staff reported the issues related to the transition from the old to new contracts, and the existing policy that was problematic. Staff stated that corrective actions have been underway to correct the problems and improve the service. Mr. Deegan asked that a copy of the MV contract document be provided to him.

B. Follow-Up Questions and Answers from January 12 BBC

Staff provided the Committee with written responses to questions and information requested during the session on January 12, 2006. Staff stated that this newly created procedure would allow staff to provide a prompt response to the Committee. Staff believed the new procedure would provide transparency and improve communication between the Board and staff, and allow the document to become a written public record. Staff stated that this procedure would continue in the future for the Committee.

B. <u>Department Budgets Review</u>

Staff provided budget reviews for the following offices: Customer Communications, Marketing and Sales; Customer Contract Service; Operations Support Office; and General Counsel. Each office presented its detailed budget, primary functions and responsibilities, and the goals for the FY07. Committee members asked for additional information, and staff stated that a consolidated Q&A package would be provided to the Committee at the next meeting. Mrs. Mack deferred to the next meeting: Finance; Planning, Development, Engineering and Construction; Workforce Development and Administration; Audit, Safety and Oversight; Public Affairs and Strategic Programs to the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 P.M.