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OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE: October 18, 2016

SUBJECT: **EASY CARD VENDING MACHINE INSTALLATION AT CITY HALL**

The purpose of this Letter to Commission (LTC) is to provide information with regards to Easy Card Vending Machine (ECVM) installation at the City Hall.

For the last couple of months, City staff has been coordinating with the County for installation of ECVM in City Hall. I am pleased to report that ECVM was recently installed and is fully operational (please see attached photo). ECVM's offer information in English, Spanish, and Creole.

The EASY Card is a durable, plastic reloadable fare card. It is part of Miami-Dade Transit's automated fare collection system. It can contain both cash value and pass products to pay for transit fare. EASY Cards issued since January 2013 have a 20 year life-span. Prior to 2013, issued EASY Cards have a 3 year life-span. Visitors and customers who are not frequent commuters can also use the Easy Ticket. It is made of paper, and can also be used to pay for transit fare. EASY Tickets expire after 60 days.

Transit riders are able to complete the following transactions at ECVM's:

- Purchase an EASY Card or EASY Ticket with cash or a valid credit card (tokens and pennies are not accepted)
- Load a 1-Month, 7-Day, or 1-Day pass on an EASY Card
- Load a 7-Day or 1-Day pass on an EASY Ticket
- Load cash value on an EASY Card or EASY Ticket
- Check the balance on EASY Card or EASY Ticket
- Purchase a 1-Month Pass with a monthly Metrorail parking permit
- Pay for daily parking at Metrorail stations

While there are approximately six (6) outlets throughout the City where Easy Card and Easy Tickets could be purchased, the only ECVM is the one recently installed in City Hall.

The Transportation Department will work with the Office of Communications on promoting ECVM on City's website and other available media.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Attachment: Photo of installed ECVM at City Hall

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