

# NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY OFFICIAL REPORT

# First County Assembly - Fourth Session

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The House met at 2.30 p.m.

(Hon. Deputy Speaker (Mr. Kennedy Ng'ondi) in the Chair)

# **PRAYER**

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Members, my attention has been raised that there is lack of quorum in the House. I direct the Serjeant-at-Arm to ring the bell for ten minutes under Standing Order No.31.

(Quorum bell rings)

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** The Minority and Majority Whip, deputy Whips? Serjeant-at-Arm, there is still lack of quorum, can you ring the bell for further five minutes.

(Quorum bell rings)

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Order, Hon. Warutere! Hon. Bernadette, Order! Madam Clerk, can you confirm. Order, Hon. Members! Hon. Warutere, please be orderly.

Serjeant-At-Arm, we have the quorum in the House, so please stop the bell. Clerk, can we proceed?

## **PAPERS**

# COUNTY GOVERNMENT BUDGET IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW REPORT FIRST HALF FINANCIAL YEAR, 2015/2016

**Hon. Majority Leader** (Mr. Elias Otieno): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to Article 228(6) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, I beg to lay the following Paper on the table of the Assembly, today, Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April: County Government Budget Implementation Review Report First Half financial year, 2015/2016. I beg to lay.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you.

## NOTICE OF MOTION

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Mbatia.

Hon. Member for Embakasi West Ward (Mr. Robert Mbatia): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish to give a Notice of Motion THAT, aware that Nairobi City County Inspectorate Department employs more than 1,000 County Enforcement officers whose primary duty is enforcement of County Laws and Regulation which the department undertakes key areas such as markets, licensing and many others; deeply concerned that, rather than focusing on enforcement, the Inspectorate Department officers have often at times resorted to revenue collection, employing all manner of underhand tactics and intimidation of City residents while purporting to carry out the function which squarely lies with the County Treasury officers; noting that Article 29 of the Constitution grants every person the right to security including the right not to be treated or punished in a cruel, inhuman or degrading manner; concerned that lack of a clear delineation of duties of enforcement officers has encouraged some inspectorate officers to engage in graft as recently exposed in the media; this Assembly to resolve that the County Executive Committee as a matter of policy, to strictly retain the inspectorate officers as enforcers of law, and not involve them in actual revenue collection, giving them monetary revenue targets in order to curtail corruption and harassment in the revenue collection chain. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you.

# **STATEMENTS**

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Chairperson for Water.

Hon. Member for Mutu-ini Ward (Mr. Alex Ouda): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Response to a Statement requested by Hon. Diana Kapeen, MCA, from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Water and Sanitation.

Hon. Speaker sir, on Tuesday 22nd March, 2016, the Hon. Diana Kapeen, MCA rose on the floor of the Assembly pursuant to Standing Order 41 (2) (c) and requested the Chairperson of the Water and Sanitation Committee for a statement regarding the biting water shortages often experienced by various parts of the City.

The Chairperson was to inquire and report on:

- I. When the Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company plans to restore reliable water supply to Green Estate, Lebern Estate, Ruby Estate and the environs of South C;
- II. The procedures for licensing private water vendors/bowsers and whether the said vendors have approvals from the County to distribute water in the said Estates;
- III. A thorough investigation on whether the persistent lack of water in the greater South C is an act of sabotage to provide a ready market for the water vendors, and if not, reasons why no measures have been put in place by the Executive to restore reliable water supply once and for all.

Mr. Speaker sir, the Committee wrote to the County Executive Committee Member responsible for Environment, Energy and Water on 31st March, 2016 requesting to be furnished with a written response to the statement by the Hon. Diana Kapeen.

In this regard, Mr. Speaker sir, I wish to report to the Assembly as follows;

# A. WHEN THE NAIROBI CITY WATER AND SEWERAGE COMPANY PLANS TO RESTORE RELIABLE WATER.

The water supply to South C as per the equitable water supply programme is as follows;

- I. The estate receives water under high pressures on Monday evening from 6.00 pm to Tuesday 6.00 a.m. and again on Wednesday evening from 6.00 p.m. to Thursday 6.00 a.m.
- II. The rest of the week the area is supplied under low pressures meaning not every consumer gets the supply.

The Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company responds promptly to any complaint on supply failure that is reported by all of its customers.

The Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company endeavors to ensure that the equitable water distribution programme is strictly adhered to at all times.

Hon. Speaker, the Committee deliberated on this response and corroborated that the upper part of Uhuru Highway that covers South C, Langata, Ngumo, Nairobi West, Karen and Ole Sereni area gets water from Sasumua Dam and Kikuyu Springs.

However, it is worth noting that distribution of water in these areas not sufficient. In view of the foregoing, the Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company Limited and Athi Water Services have embarked on construction of Southern bypass booster line to enhance water supplies to areas mentioned above.

As we speak now, an advertisement on local dailies was made on Monday 25th, 2016 to fast track realization of this booster line.

# B. THE PROCEDURES FOR LICENSING PRIVATE WATER VENDORS/BOWSERS AND APPROVALS FROM THE COUNTY TO DISTRIBUTE WATER IN THE SAID ESTATES.

The County Government and Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company do not license any private water vendors/bowsers to operate in any part within its area of jurisdiction.

# C. INVESTIGATION ON WHETHER THE PERSISTENT LACK OF WATER IN THE GREATER SOUTH C IS AN ACT OF SABOTAGE TO PROVIDE A READY MARKET FOR WATER VENDORS.

The Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company does not have any evidence of sabotage of the water supply in the area. Any act of sabotage or illegal water activities are dealt with promptly as per the existing human resource manual and any other applicable laws or regulation. Mr. Speaker sir, I beg to lay this response. Thank you.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Kapeen.

**Hon. Member for South C** (Ms. Dianah Kapeen): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have gone through the report and I want to acknowledge that it is not a bad report because at least there was an advert in the newspaper regarding a booster that will supply the upper side of South C, Ngummo and Uhuru Highway and the water pressures will be corrected so that the affected areas will be supplied with adequate water.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the Hon. Member for that good and prompt response. However, Mr. Speaker, I have an issue with the procedure of licensing private water vendor's bowsers. Mr. Speaker, the County Government and Nairobi Water Co. do not license private water vendor's bowsers to operate in any part within its area of jurisdiction. I am a bit concerned because it is a common practice to see water, in fact with logos of Nairobi Water Co. selling water in South C especially in the mentioned areas and the areas of ranger's scope, Highway Amboseli and so I think I have an issue with that question. Mr. Speaker, in general I would like to appreciate that the report is in order.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Thank you. Hon. Members, I would kindly request that you remain behind until we clear the business before the House. Hon. Adow.

Hon. Member for Eastleigh North (Mr. Ibrahim Adow): Mr. Speaker, I just wanted to add a rider on that statement. For the last one week I had to take 3 members of my family to the doctor due to what they called amebiosis and they said that the South C tap water was contaminated and therefore there was an outbreak in South C. Therefore, I would like to know from the Chairman if anything has been done to address that issue.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Adow. Chairperson, do you have a response?

**Hon. Alex Ouda:** Mr. Speaker, I wonder whether the Member is asking for a fresh statement because if he has a statement then he should come up with his own statement so that we can include it.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Alex, do you have a response to what he is concerned about?

Hon. Alex Ouda: Mr. Speaker, I am not aware, unless he brings it to our attention. However, I just wanted to comment on the response of Hon. Dianah. Mr. Speaker, in connection with the water vendors there is a Water Act that is before the Senate and immediately the Act is through is when now the County will have a Bill that will regulate the water vendors and bowser. However, as we speak now, there is no Bill we can use to either approve or charge the water vendors. Thank you.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Members, allow me to direct the House that we bypass Order 7 on statements which are due, that is from Roman A to E so that we deliberate on Order 8 then we will revert back. Thank you.

#### **MOTIONS**

Hon. Member for Embakasi(Mr. Michael Ogada): Mr. Speaker sir, thank you very much once again. Mr. Speaker I wish to move the following Motion; That this County Assembly adopt the report of the Budget & Appropriations Committee on the supplementary budget estimates for the Nairobi City County, Government and County Assembly. Mr. Speaker sir, in the approved budget estimates for the financial year 2015/2016 the County Assembly had granted various accounting officers authority to spend a total of Ksh. 30.8 billion out of which Ksh.19.8 billion was meant for recurrent expenditure and Ksh. 11 billion for development initiatives. In the approved estimates the County had anticipated to direct Ksh.1.23 billion towards debt repayments with substantial amount being further earmarked for Ward Development Project, garbage collection as well as enhancing the legislative process of the County Government.

Mr. Speaker sir, the County Treasury submitted this Supplementary Budget as a means of addressing dynamics that it has been able to encounter in the process of implementing the budget for the financial year 2015/2016. However, it is important that we emphasize that Supplementary Budgets should not be one of those documents that we planned for long enough in the budget cycle. In fact, the Budget Committee has underscored the need for the County Treasury to always try as much as possible to come up with the most realistic budgets in order to reduce any of this midway reviews. Mr. Speaker sir, over the past 2 financial years the County has been focused on engineering the revenue collection potential by introducing various methods including the payment, structuring of the revenue administration as well as improving the accountability mechanisms.

The Budget Committee during it scrutiny of these estimates noted that there was substantial improvement on how revenue generation compared to a similar period last year. As at the end of 2015 the

County had collected Ksh.10 billion from internal sources of revenue compared to a target of Ksh.17 billion. As the Budget Committee noted in the previous Supplementary Budget it remains a reality that the County may not achieve the revenue targets by the end of the financial year and hence the need to amend the budget to fit within the intended revenue projections. The Budget Committee continues to decry the slow pace in which the finance sector has been dealing with various challenges affecting revenue collection thereby hampering the seamless budget.

#### **BUDGET IMPLEMENTATION**

It was alarming to note that the challenges have been hampering optimal collection of revenue like numerous court cases challenging County charges, difficulties associated with digital payment platforms among other inherent challenges have not conclusively addressed almost 3 years they were first flung out. On the positive side, though the Committee was informed that the equitable share has been trickling down as per the work plan whereas the Budget Committee once again wishes to commend the National Treasury for being faithful to the undertaking of funding the County Government. We wish to request them to remit the amounts due for user fees foregone with equivalent zeal.

Mr. Speaker sir, once again it is imperative to remind Members that Supplementary Budgets are prepared to provide for unforeseen changes and to realign the budget to the realities experience in its implementation. Section 135 (1)and (2) of the Public Finance Management Act 2012 empowers a County Government that has not been appropriated if the amount set aside for any particular purposes under the County Appropriations Act is insufficient or indeed has a reason for expenditure for a purpose for which no amount has been appropriated if the amount set aside for any particular purpose under the County Appropriations Act is insufficient or need has arisen for expenditure for a purpose for which no amount has been appropriated under the Act. This, the Act says, must then be followed with a Supplementary Budget in support of the same. These submissions have been done in line with the legal provisions.

Mr. Speaker sir, the introduction of program based budgeting was expected among others, to align the burden of identifying outputs in various budgetary allocations. Program based budgeting is meant to ensure that budgetary allocations are only done to programs with specific measurable and achievable targets and outcomes. In this framework, every unit budgetary allocation should influence the overall output for which the money is earmarked making it easy to track how changes in spending will influence service delivery. The PFM regulations have gone ahead to expound on this requirement and state that any supplementary request should contain an analysis of the physical impact if any of the planned outputs and outcomes of the affected programs.

This program based analysis was lacking in this budget, therefore giving a big room for guesswork of how the proposed alterations if approved will affect the programs. We had undertaken to pursue through the 2015/2016 budget.

The Committee hence recommends that any budget document submitted in future which is not in program based format to be considered inadmissible in the House.

Mr. Speaker sir, in perusing the revised estimates, members may notice that there has been drastic increase in the recurrent budget for various programs that the County intends to undertake in the remainder of the current financial year. One of those costs that have risen includes the cost on garbage collection, medical insurance, overtime and staff upgrading. The Committee noted that all these were good initiatives that would have net effect of making the County a City of choice to invest, work and live in.

However, the Committee confirmed that the cost of garbage collection has been on a steady increase over the past three financial years with initial allocation of Ksh. 300 million. The figure is projected to rise to Ksh. 655 million in these supplementary estimates. Under the Public Service Management there is a proposed allocation of Ksh. 206 for review of basic salaries and hire of casuals.

The Committee is convinced that salary reviews and promotions of those who have been in one job group for a long time is key towards ensuring that County staff are motivated to implement the policies to achieve the County objectives.

However, as has been canvassed the Committee was not fully persuaded that some of these projected expenditures fall within the definition of what is required as per the PFM Act and regulations.

## Recommendations

- a. Policy measures.
- Mr. Speaker sir, the Committee noted with various critical issues in the supplementary estimates that it would like addressed. The Committee therefore proposes the following policy measures:
  - 1. All future budgets must be program based with itemized budgets presented as schedules to help the Sectoral Committees in their scrutiny. Further that any budget presented which are not in a program based format to be considered inadmissible.
  - 2. Supplementary budgets must be restricted to funding only ongoing projects and must avoid the temptation of introducing any new projects.
  - b, Proposed adjustments and reallocations of the 2015/16 budget.
- Mr. Speaker sir, arising from the recommendations of the Sectoral Committees and deliberations with the County Treasury that the County Executive Committee Member for Finance the Budget and Appropriations Committee recommends that the following changes be effected on the 2015/16 Supplementary Budget

- i. That under the Physical Planning, Lands and Housing Sector, the Ksh. 92 million allocated under vote 3111499 for Research and Feasibility Studies be reallocated to provide for the following programmes. The Committee was informed that out of the amount Ksh. 50 million had been committed:
  - NIUPLAN implementation at Ksh. 10 million;
  - Regularization of unauthorized buildings at Ksh. 8 million;
  - Sustainable energy and climate change action plan at Ksh. 6 million;
  - Open public spaces program at Ksh. 18 million
- ii. That the overall budget be rationalized to provide Ksh. 20 million for Urban Renewal Programmes under the Physical Planning, Lands and Housing Sector;
- iii. That the overall budget be rationalized to provide additional Ksh. 200 million for development under the ICT, E-Government and Public Communications Sector;
- iv. That the total allocations for all Liquour Board operations be reduced to Kshs. 20 million and any additional collections be retained in the Fund. The Committee is considering ways of proposing amendments to the Nairobi City Alcoholic Drinks and Control Act 2014 in order to make it responsive to our prevailing budgeting realities; and
- v. That the budget for the Health Sector be rationalized to provide additional Ksh. 10 million for development of Mama Lucy Hospital

Mr. Speaker sir, in completion and pursuant to the provisions of Section 135 (2) and (4) of the Public Finance Management Act 2012 and Standing Order 215, the County Budget and Appropriations Committee recommends that this County Assembly adopts the report of the Budget Appropriations Committee on the Supplementary Budget estimates for the Nairobi City County Government and the County Assembly. I wish to call Mheshimiwa George Ochola to second.

# (Applause)

Hon. Member for Hospital Ward (Mr. George Ochola): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. Mr. Speaker, the document before us which is the Supplementary Budget is prepared for and foreseen the changes. The document before us was generated from the Treasury, it came to the budget, it was committed to the different sectoral committees in conjunction with the heads of those departments so that they can deliberate and actualize what has an impact. Mr. Speaker sir, the document before us has touched on areas which are very crucial and very important for the Nairobi residents.

Mr. Speaker if you go by you will realize that Health has been given a lot of priority, Public Works, Roads and Transport, Trade, Water which is very essential to the human. Therefore, we do and we are more convinced that the document before us will bring a lot of change in Nairobi City County. I beg to second Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you.

## (Question is proposed)

**Hon. Zulfa Mohammed** (Nominated Member): Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. I stand to support this report Mr. Speaker. It has come to my attention that it means well to the people of Nairobi, and on that note I want to thank the Treasury department together with the Budget and Appropriations Committee for doing this wonderful job, Mr. Speaker.

As we have had the Budget Chair clearly outlining the report, it is clear that now many sectors have been favored but on that note I wish to express my concern in the implementation. I wish to urge the Departmental heads to actually move with speed and make sure that this money has been used appropriately. That is my main concern and I am sure it is a concern for all these Members in this House.

I would also like to point out on page 10, no. 13, I don't know whether I am in order to ask with regards to the offices that are going to be allocated. We are aware that the nominated Members of this House have no offices and I only want to know whether we have been factored as nominated Members in that budget which we support very much and we have been supporting over the years. Thank you very much. And on that note, I support.

(Applause)

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Imwatok.

**Hon. Peter Imwatok:** Mr. Speaker, thank you for the wisdom of leading the House in a very sober way. The last time I was at this stand, it was a bit not good but you were not in, Mr. Speaker. Thank you for being wise enough.

I think first of all, I must thank the Chair for Budget and Appropriation Committee and the entire Committee. At least I see some cohesion in this Committee and that it can bring a good report in this Assembly.

(Applause)

**Hon. Peter Imwatok:** In that regard I see the Chairman nowadays asks the Deputy Chair to come and support the report. Initially it was Kairu. I am told he is called Mr. Kamotho.

(Laughter)

# (Applause)

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Mr. Speaker, this document is very important, aware that we have only two months to go before this fiscal year comes to an end. I want to talk about two or three particular issues. Number one, on the budget of the Assembly, I think as we are passing this Supplementary Budget we give the Service Board enough money to also want the results from the County Assembly Service Board. In particular, the date and when are we going to occupy a new Assembly. The Majority Leader is here and should be very keen to take that. If not, impeachment is on the way. Number two---

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order, Member!

**Hon. Peter Imwatok:** I withdraw that, Mr. Speaker. Number two, I am talking as the president of the biggest party in Kenya from the youth league. The second thing I want to talk about is the issue of Environment. Mr. Chair and the entire Committee, as a Member of the Environment Committee we must say kudos for a good job. At least you listened to us as a Committee.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Order Hon. Nancy Luchiri! Please come back. Serjeant-At-Arms kindly don't allow the Hon. Member who has just walked in---

Hon. Peter Imwatok: I also have a proposal Mr. Speaker, next time we will vet people before one decides to become an MCA. I was talking about the Environment Committee. This is the most important aspect of this County. You are aware during the months of November, December and subsequently January we had issues on the garbage in the County to an extent that our able, the only one Dr. Evans Kidero made changes in this sector. Now, we can see there is something happening within the County. We also appreciate the Committee for allocating enough resources to this particular Committee and this department.

In particular, there is an issue of involving the young people on the issue of garbage collection across the 85 Wards. The Majority Leader as the Deputy Chair of the HBC is aware there is a Motion before the table requesting the County Government to employ 1000 young people on locum across the County. I think with this budget Mr. Chairman of the Budget and Appropriation Committee we thank you.

Lastly Mr. Speaker, I am so particular about the market sector which I have seen the Committee has retained the budget. I was giggling with the Chair of the market and thievery association. He says at last Jateso you will get City Stadium done because the budget has been retained. I want to support this as a Member of this County Assembly and more so as a Member of the Nairobi County Government. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Irungu.

Hon. Member for Komarock Ward (Mr. Samuel Irungu): Mr. Speaker, I rise to support this Motion. This document has highlighted a very important policy that the estimates should be used to fund the ongoing projects. That I think to me is important because our core business is service delivery. I want to

quickly note sectors that were very impressive in terms of what they would want to know with what they have proposed. Going to the Water and Sanitation, we are properly informed and aware that every Ward was allocated 3 million and with a supplementary budget of 688. I am sure in the next month or two we are going to have water services in all 85 Wards.

Mr. Speaker we have also noted with a lot of concern about the Liquor Licensing Board. Just the other day we witnessed a Ward Administrator harassing an innocent woman. We have realized that this Board just spends money with a lot of impunity. We have proposed that in the wisdom of this Committee we need to amend the Liquor Licensing Act of 2015 so that whatever they collect can also be used for civic education or as a resource envelop of this County. I also want to inform Members that the Public Works Committee was able to note they had been rolling over projects all the way from 2013/14. The Committee has decided, in its own wisdom and subject to the approval of this House that let all these contractors be paid. Those works that are 95% or 90% complete, in the opinion of this Committee we are able to complete these works and pay them before 30th of June.

Mr. Speaker this is a good document, not forgetting the Health Sector all our health facilities starting from Pangani, Mutu-ini, Mama Lucy--- I am happy Mama Lucy has been allocated a further 10 million. I want to say this with a lot of sadness that we have lost the former First Lady and you know she really lobbied the Chinese Government to actually construct Mama Lucy Kibaki Hospital. 10 million has been awarded to this hospital so that we can refurbish the Ward capacity.

In passing this document, Mr. Speaker, it means prosperity for Nairobi people, I support.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order Hon. Members! Actually I am very grateful for the notification from Hon. Irungu. We have not done the honorable thing by at least paying a tribute to the fallen hero, the First Lady, Lucy Kibaki. Hon. Members kindly let's rise on our feet for one minute.

(The House rises for a minute of silence in honor of the late former First Lady Lucy Kibaki)

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you Hon. Members. I hope and believe on the same we have the Majority and Minority Leaders who will take up the issue to guide us on the arrangements for the burial purposes so that we may see where to give support and on how the program is run. Thank you, Hon. Karen.

Hon. Karen Wanjiku (Nominated Member): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, at long last your eyes caught me. I want to go direct to page 10. We have noted that we have an increment of 144 million for development projects mainly to be directed towards construction of Committee rooms, refurbishment of offices and patches of various security equipment among others. I believe this is good if implemented. If we are told maybe the various security equipment, we don't know. About the refurbishment is very general. Which offices are being refurbished? Are they for the staff or are we getting an office? Even if we get one office or a hall we will appreciate. Imagine how we work in the corridors and hotels. I believe the Chair will

be clear on that and tell us whether, at least for this one last year we'll have at least to enjoy an office especially the special elect.

On page 14, I have also seen another increment in ICT which is also good. On the same page under Justice and Legal Affairs Committee, that the budget for the ICT sector be increased by 200 million. I want to believe that we will have an ICT Committee. I don't know what is happening, who will do oversight over this increment. This are public funds, tax collected from people who have labored tirelessly and we have figures here. We don't have proper institutions. I don't know how this will work. Maybe the Chair knows and will make it clear to us.

Mr. Speaker sir. I want to take you to page 16. This is very good. As a member of the Health Committee number (v). The budget for the Health Sector be rationalized to provide additional 10 million for developent of Mama Lucy. This means that Implementation Committee is working. We had a report in the Health Committee about Mama Lucy, we did a visit and we made some recommendations. I believe this money will go towards having at least one room for women where the women patients can be treated. I believe we will have one....

Hon. Karen Wanjiku (Nominated Member): ....and we made some recommendations and I believe this money will go towards at least having one room for women because we didn't have a room where the women in-patient can be treated. I believe we are going to have one and I believe also this one will help in staffing because as we noted we did not have enough staff in Mama Lucy Kibaki Hospital and I thank God since the time we brought that report the health services at Mama Lucy Kibaki Hospital has improved and that is good, Mr. Speaker sir. I beg to support.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Majority Leader.

Hon. Majority Leader: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I just want to tell Madam Karen that already we have a Committee of ICT, it is only that we have not confirmed the Standing Order, we have not brought it here for you people to confirm but we the ICT Committee has already been constituted. So I think in the near future you are going to be one of those people who are going to sit in that Committee. And also Mr. Speaker, I should also support this supplementary budget because it is very important for this County as we are remaining with less than one year because next year in March, some of these people I don't know whether they are going to come back here so that is the reason why they should go to the ground much earlier than April next year because about 10% only is going to come back, 90% will go home. But because the----

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Majority is that your prayers?

**Hon. Majority Leader:** Okay because Mr. Speaker as far as I am concerned, I don't see whether these people are going to be nominated twice. If they are lucky to be nominated, they will not be here again Mr. Speaker.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Order! Can you be within the order Hon. Majority Leader?

Hon. Majority Leader: Sorry Madam Karen for provoking you. But if you will get that luck is good for me I will see you again. Mr. Speaker I don't think we will take too much time because some people like Madam Karen want to go to Mombasa right now. Her plane is already waiting for her in the airport, Mr. Speaker just call the Mover to reply.

# (Applause)

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Members there is no Member on the feet, which indicates that you have contributed enough. Allow me now Hon. Members to put the question. Sorry, Hon. Chairperson for Budget.

Hon. Member for Embakasi Ward (Mr. Michael Ogada): Thank you very much. I think the Speaker had already read the mood of the House, that there was no need for us even to reply. But Mr. Speaker sir we are glad as a House because we are really moving fast and positively in order to develop the city. I think we all remember that we used to have Njoroge Kairu as the Chairman of the Councillors Room. So we gave the responsibility of every morning writing on the wall how many days were remaining for us to go home. So he kept on writing, now because he has not started writing here, we need to remind ourselves that we have got a very short time to go.

So the stronger we move the united we are, and the faster we move will be a benefit to most of us. This is why Nairobi as a County has been one of the outstanding counties because controversies have been very minimal. So we are really glad that all the Members of this House have seen the sense that we really support this document and one thing that we need also to remind them is that in the budget that we put, we have factored in all the necessary things that will make it easy and possible for the County Assembly to operate.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Please Weche please we want to take a vote.

Hon. Michael Ogada: Starting with the offices of the Members, Special Elect, it has been a very serious concern particularly by the new leadership of Caucus, we call it Caucus eh? The Deputy Chair in that Caucus has really been putting too much pressure on the Budget Committee to make sure that things work and her prayers I can confirm to this House that they have been answered. So it is upon the Implementation Committee to make sure that the issues to build and partition for them the offices are fast tracked. That is basically now the work of the Implementation Committee.

(Applause)

Mr. Speaker sir, the issue of the Chambers also which the Members are--- We cannot put such a magnificent and such a beautiful Chamber and you expect me to go without sitting there. That is not really practical. It is not right even before the eyes of God. We should be allowed to first of all test the seats. We go there even before we allow others also to come. So we have allocated enough money and it is again upon the leadership of this House and the Implementation Committee to make sure that we occupy that Chamber as fast as possible.

Mr. Speaker sir, the issue of Mama Lucy was really pushed by the Hon. Member of that area and instead we had given them 40 million but because of his commitment, his thrash to ensure that the hospital was strong enough, we increased it by 10 million. That is why we have given them 50 million, it is not 10 million. So we gave him an additional of 10 million. Mr. Speaker sir we are glad because the Committee is equal to the task ad we are really trying to represent this Assembly without fear or favour or intimidation. Asanteni sana. God bless you.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Thank you. At least today I can see happiness on your face.

(Question is put and agreed to)

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Members, we have some business under Order No. 7 which are just statements due, we need at least some undertaking from the Chairpersons of Committees. Can we start with the Chairperson for Labour? Statements which are due. This was a statement requested by Hon. George Ochola from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Labour regarding the shortage of ambulance drivers within the County. Do we have the Hon. Chairperson for Transport and Public Works in the House? Statement requested by Hon. Erastus Mburu?

Hon. Member for Lucky Summer Ward (Mr. Kennedy Oduru): Thank you Hon. Speaker sir. I am to undertake that we be given extension of time since this report was tabled and it was taken back to the Executive side. So kindly please add us one week.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: The first week after the recess. Statement requested by Hon. Diana Kapeen and directed to Water and Sanitation regarding the biting water shortage--- That has been addressed Clerk. We have one request by Hon. Mike Obonyo directed to the Sectoral Committee of Justice and Legal Affairs on the improper use of the Nairobi City County Logo. Do we have the Chair Legal and Justice, vice chair? Okay.

Statement requested by Hon. Elkana Mauti directed to Sectoral Committee on Ward Development Fund on the lack of implementation on amendment of Ward Development Fund Act 2014. Hon. Gari. Hon. Members, I direct that the statements which were due to appear in the Order Paper, to do so on the first

week after recess. The House stands adjourned to 2.30 pm on Tuesday. Hon. Members I wish you a wonderful weekend. Thank you.

(The House rose at 3.45 p.m.)