

#### NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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## **Second County Assembly – Second Session**

Tuesday 24th July, 2018

The House met at 2.30 p.m.

(Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker (Mr. Kennedy Obuya) in the Chair])

#### **PRAYERS**

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Members. This is a very important day. We have just come back from recess. Serjeant-At-Arms to ring the bell. Members, please be seated.

(Bell rings for 10 minutes)

## **PAPERS**

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Chair Planning and Housing? Vice Chair? Are you standing in for Hon. Ngengi?

**Hon. Daniel Muturi:** Thank you. Hon. Speaker, as a Member of the Planning Committee, I wish to inform the House that the owner of the Bill Hon. Anthony Kiragu is not in and as such I wish to request that you consider rescheduling the second reading of the Bill to Tuesday next week when he will be in. I wish however to report that the committee---

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Ngengi, you are already on order number 8.

Hon. Daniel Muturi: Did I move too fast?

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: we are on order number 5.

**Hon. Daniel Muturi:** Thank you very much Hon. Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order 191 (6), I beg to lay the following paper on the Table of the Assembly today the Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2018. The report on the

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induction retreat of the Sectorial Committee on Planning and Housing held on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at Sawela Lounge in Naivasha. I beg to lay.

### **STATEMENTS**

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, we have a statement request by Hon. Nicholas Okumu from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee of Justice and Legal Affairs regarding the ongoing demolition of structures and buildings at Zone 9 in Upper Savannah Ward next to Bee Centre round about. Chair Legal, just a minute. Hon. Nicholas Okumu please request.

**Hon. Nicholas Okumu**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I nearly got confused because I am requesting it for the first time. Hon. Speaker, Pursuant Standing Order 45 (2) (c) I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectorial Committee on Planning and Housing regarding the ongoing demolitions of Structures and buildings at Zone 9 in Upper Savannah Ward next to Bee centre roundabout.

Hon. Speaker, the ongoing demolition of private buildings and structures around the Bee centre roundabout ostensibly to clear the stretch to easy traffic follow is being done without adequate notice to property owners thus leaving traders and property owners counting massive losses.

Hon. Speaker, in the statement the Chairperson should inquire into and report on:-

- 1. Whether demolition notice was issued to property owners in the first place;
- 2. Who sanctioned the demolitions; and
- 3. Who will pay for reparations in the event property owners press charges and its established the demolitions were carried out illegally?

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Chair Legal!

**Hon**. Malda: Thank you, Hon. Speaker, I would like to request for two weeks, please.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Okumu!

**Hon. Nicholas Okumu**: Mr. Speaker, I seek your guidance on this I am not sure whether it is Legal or Planning? I thought it should be Planning.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Come again, Hon. Okumu!

**Hon. Nicholas Okumu**: I thought this statement is directed to Planning! **Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** You are been guided, Hon. Okumu!

Hon. Nicholas Okumu: Thank you.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Okumu, it's correct because this is an issue of enforcement, which stands under the Committee of Legal so Hon. Chair Legal please respond! Had you said you wanted two weeks? Hon. Okumu!

**Hon. Nicholas Okumu:** Mr. Speaker, because this is an urgent issue that is still ongoing and has affected the people in that area, I would request for five days at most.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Jayendra!

**Hon. Jayendra Malde:** Hon. Speaker, as norms you see we have to summon the Minister regarding this matter and it needs seven days to give the notice so *Mheshimiwa* I think that we need to weeks for that.

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Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Okumu!

**Hon. Nicholas Okumu:** Thank you Chair, he is talking of seven days and I know we have a weekend in between so that we can make it nine days so that next week on Tuesday we can have the report. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** I direct that the Chair Legal to give a report to this House by Thursday next week. Clerk!

**Hon. Abraham Njihia**: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. Pursuant to Standing Order 45 (2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Trade Tourism and Co-operatives regarding the betting and gambling craze in the County.

Hon. Speaker, the betting craze has taken the County by storm and this is taking a toll on the social economic fabric of the County since it promotes lack of financial prudence amongst the youth who engross themselves in daylong gambling activities without engaging in other productive activities which is detrimental to the County's economic growth.

Hon. Speaker in the statement the Chairperson should inquire into and report on:

- 1. The number of licensed betting companies and casinos in the County per Ward;
- 2. The prices nature of gambling activities carried out in casinos and other betting establishments; and
- 3. Measures put in place by the County to regulate the mushrooming casinos premises within the County.

Thank you Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Chair Trade and Tourism, Vice-chair?

Hon. Jeremiah Themendu: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I think two weeks is enough to respond.

**Hon. Abraham Njihia**: Thank you Hon. Speaker. I want to once again bring to your attention that sometimes in March this year, you were on that seat whereby you directed; I had requested for a statement in November last year and I had two in February this year, and I was given two weeks.

Again, the Vice Chair of Trade is standing here and again telling me about the same two weeks. Hon. Speaker, if you look at my statement here it is a matter of going to the computer, going to the licensing officers and I think they do not do it manually. I think they have written documents in the License Department, will that take two weeks surely to look it up on the computer?

**Hon. Temporary Speaker:** Hon. Njihia, I agree with you on this and I direct the Vice Chair of Trade that you have up to next week on Thursday to respond to Hon. Njihia. Hon. Vice Chair, Trade, I have given a direction that on Thursday next week you report to this House.

# NAIROBI CITY COUNTY OUTDOORS ADVERTISING AND SIGNAGE CONTROL AND REGULATION BILL 2018 BILL NO. 3/2018 - 2ND READING

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Ngengi.

Hon. Daniel Ngengi: Thank you. On the Second Reading Order, as a Member sitting on the Planning Committee I wish to inform this House that the owner of the Bill, Hon. Anthony Kiragu, is not in the House and as such I would like to request that you consider rescheduling the second reading of this Bill to Tuesday next week when the Member will be around. I however wish to report that the Committee has prepared its draft report on the Bill and it will be tabled here next week. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Hon. Temporary Speaker:** Hon. Members, I am properly informed that today we cannot have Order number 8 and subsequently Order number 9 and I therefore defer Order number 8 to next week on Tuesday as requested at 2.30 p.m. and Order number 9 to next week Wednesday at 2.30 p.m.. Therefore, I adjourn the House to tomorrow at 2.30 p.m. The House Business to resume immediately after this. Thank you.

(The House adjourned at 2.56 p.m.)