

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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The House met at 2.30 p.m.

[Hon. Acting Speaker (Mr. Chege Mwaura) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

QUORUM

Hon. Acting Speaker: Serjeant-at-Arms, ring the bell for ten minutes. We are looking for 15 Members. Whips, help us raise the quorum.

(Quorum bell was rang)

We have attained quorum. Clerk you can proceed with the first order of the day.

MESSAGE

LIST OF NOMINEES TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Hon. Acting Speaker: Hon. Members, I have a message to communicate as per our Standing Orders No. 43 on Messages from the Governor and the Senator which states:

43. (1) The Speaker shall read to the County Assembly any message from the Governor or the Senator of the County delivered to the Speaker for communication to the County Assembly.

(3) When a message from the Governor or the Senator of the County is read, the message shall be

deemed to have been laid before the County Assembly and the Speaker may either –

(a) direct that the message be dealt with forthwith; or

(b) appoint a day for the consideration of the message; or

(c) refer the message to the relevant Committee of the County Assembly for consideration.

In that regard, I received a message from His Excellency the Governor and I wish to convey.

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In this regard, Hon. Members, I wish to report that the office of the Speaker is in receipt of a message from H.E the Governor of the County of Nairobi in regards to the list of nominees to the County Executive Committee.

As you are aware Article 179(2) (b) of the Constitution provides that the members of the County Executive Committee shall be appointed by the County Governor with the approval of the County Assembly from amongst persons who are not members of the County Assembly.

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 179(2) (b) of the Constitution and Section 35 of the County Governments Act 2012, I hereby nominate the following list of names as members of the Nairobi City County Executive Committee.

- 1. Lucy Amulwa Education, Youth, Gender, Culture and Social Services
- 2. Dr. Stella Bosire Otieno Health
- 3. Wilfred Gathungu Finance and Economic Planning
- 4. Pauline Kahiga Waititu Public Service Management and Devolution
- 5. Sanjiv Kaur Sonia Birdi Environment.

Hon. Members with this, the Nairobi City County Government will be fully constituted as the other 5 Executive Committee members were previously vetted and have valid contracts. However, with the appointment of the new County Executive Members, the remaining will be reassigned as follows;

- 1. Charles Kerich Position Lands Urban Planning, Urban Renewal and Housing
- 2. Mohammed Dagane Roads, Infrastructure and Transport
- 3. Allan Igambi Trade, Tourism and Cooperatives
- 4. Larry Wambua Agriculture, Water
- 5. Newton Munene ICT, Communications and E- Government

This is to notify you that I have received a request from the NASA coalition that in the spirit of handshake and subsequent operations with the ruling Jubilee coalition, I should consider the proposed nominee of Rahab Wangui for the position of Deputy Governor. This is therefore to notify that I shall not be forwarding the name of the Deputy Governor today to allow for further consultations. I will however nominate a suitable Deputy Governor at the earliest possible opportunity. Thank you for your cooperation.

Hon. Members, I now direct that the Select Committee on Appointments proceed with the vetting of nominees for the members of the Nairobi City County Executive Committee. Thank you, Hon. Members.

STATEMENTS

STATEMENT REQUEST REGARDING STATUS OF CONSTRUCTION OF ST. MARTIN ROAD IN HURUMA WARD Hon. Acting Speaker: The Hon. Member from Huruma

Hon. David Okello: Thank you, Hon. Speaker sir. Pursuant to Standing Order No. 45 (2c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Transport and Public Works regarding the status of construction of St. Martin Road in Huruma ward.

Hon. Speaker, the road has neither trenches nor proper drainage system. In addition there are electric poles left in the middle of the road. Hon. Speaker the materials used for the construction seems to be substandard which may lead to the loss of county funds.

In the statement the chairperson should inquire into and report on:

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- 1. The standard of the material used in the construction of the road
- 2. The amount allocated for the construction and how much has been paid to the contractor to date
- 3. Whether the county executive has planned to improve on the drainage of the road construction of culvert trenches and removal of the electric posts in the middle of the road.

Hon. Speaker I rest my case there. I am waiting for the response of Chairperson of Road, Transport Committee.

Hon. James Mwangi: Mr. Speaker sir, I wish to ask the Hon. Member to give me two weeks since he is my immediate neighbor, I will be passing by also.

Hon. Acting Speaker: The Hon. Member for Huruma, Chairman of Transport is requesting that he needs two weeks to be able to give you a comprehensive answer to your statement request. Are you comfortable with that?

Hon. David Okello: Hon. Speaker, I am not comfortable with that because there is urgency in this thing. The contractor was on site yesterday and I want the Committee to inquire into this thing before the contractor moves out from the site. I am requesting may be next week Thursday.

Hon. Acting Speaker: I feel seven days is a short notice. But I don't know if the Chairman is maybe magician. What do you think Mr. Chairman?

Hon. James Mwangi: If we followed parliamentary rules, if he gives us two weeks we shall have completed everything by then.

Hon. Acting Speaker: The fact that the contractor is on site does not mean that the process of payment and raising certificate is going to go through. If the Committee decides that the job is shoddy as you are requesting, then they will not be paid. I don't think you should be worried Hon. Member.

Hon. James Mwangi: There is always a retention fee for the same.

Hon. Acting Speaker: Okay. Hon. Okello, is two weeks okay with you again because seven days is too short?

Hon. David Okello: Let us put it at two weeks but make sure that you do a proper job, and proper investigations on it.

Hon. Acting Speaker: Two weeks it is! I know when the committee will be meeting to investigate they will call you so that you can also follow up on what is happening. The Chairman has also taken an undertaking because I know his ward and your ward are neighbours and he will also have the benefit of understanding what is happening on the ground. I think we should give him the benefit of doubt. Is that okay?

Hon. David Okello: My able Speaker, thank you for your advice and it is accepted.

Hon. Acting Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Members, I am aware that there were several requests but they could not come for my signing because I was also held in a lengthy board meeting. So bear with us this time round as we make a substantive agenda for Tuesday.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Acting Speaker: For now because I think we do not have any business I will request that we adjourn until the next sitting which is next week, I know by that time we shall have proper business. I wish you a good weekend. Let us start off next week. Thank you.

The House rose at 3:00 p.m.

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