

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NAIROBI CITY SECOND ASSEMBLY - (SECOND SESSION)

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1ST, 2018 AT 2.30 PM

- **1.** The Assembly assembled at thirty minutes past Two O'clock.
- **2.** The Proceedings were opened with Prayer.

QUORUM OF THE ASSEMBLY

The Speaker having confirmed that there was no Quorum caused the Bell to be rung for Ten minutes.

There being a Quorum at the expiry of the ten minutes, the Speaker called the Assembly to order.

3. PAPERS LAID:-

The following papers were laid on the table of the Assembly;

THE REPORT OF THE SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND HOUSING ON THE CONSIDERATION OF THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY OUTDOOR ADVERTISING AND SIGNAGE CONTROL AND REGULATION BILL, 2018

(Chairperson, Select Committee on Planning and Housing)

THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY BUDGET IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2018

(Leader of Majority Party)

4. STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 45 (2)(c):-

Pursuant to Standing Order 45 (2)(c) the following Member requested for a Statement:-

a) Hon. Waithera Chege, MCA requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs regarding the illegal occupation of the County Government's premises at the Ward level.

5. MOTION - (Hon. James Kiriba)

THAT, aware that the payment of legal fees has for long been a cash cow for unscrupulous lawyers and their co-conspirators within the County Legal Services sector; NOTING that just last year, the Deputy Registrar of the High Court slashed legal fees of Ksh1.1 billion demanded by Momanyi & Associates Advocates, and which the previous County Government had agreed to settle, having initially paid Kshs 60 million as part payment, to just Sh1.3 million; DEEPLY CONCERNED that the foregoing merely demonstrates the rot that has been brought about by unscrupulous lawyers and law firms launching spurious and exaggerated claims of legal fees, which often times got settled by collusion from County employees; RECOGNIZING that the County still faces a huge debt bill owed to lawyers and law firms, which the governor has now subjected to review to establish their veracity via the newly constituted Pending Bills Taskforce; KEEPING IN MIND that if drastic action is not taken, and keeping in line with the Country's overall renewed spirit to face corruption and theft of public monies head on, to weed the County of unscrupulous law firms and lawyers, the County will continue to hemorrhage money at the hands of unscrupulous individuals in the legal profession; this Assembly RESOLVES that the County Executive undertake a fresh audit of all Law firms and Lawyers it has contracted and still contracts to date for purposes of weeding out unscrupulous lawyers and law firms that have consistently been mentioned in corrupt claims meant to steal public funds, whether in Nairobi County or anywhere else in the Republic.

Motion withdrawn;

6. ASSEMBLY ROSE - at Three O'clock.

MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on Thursday, August 2nd, 2018 at 2.30p.m