



COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NAIROBI CITY

FIRST ASSEMBLY – (SECOND SESSION)

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2014

1. The House assembled at fifteen minutes past Three O'clock.
2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer
3. **COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR**

The Speaker conveyed the following communication of the Chair:-

“Hon. Members, welcome back from the long recess. I have the following communication to make; Hon. Members, our sitting this afternoon formally commences the second part of the Second Session of this First Assembly of the Nairobi City County.

✓ **Budget Estimates**

Hon. Members, as you are aware the Assembly adopted its Calendar of sittings for the year 2014 at the commencement of the Second Session. The Calendar indicated that the Assembly would go for recess between Thursday, 1st May 2014 and Monday, 2nd June 2014.

Hon. Members, the purpose of the month long recess was to allow the Sectoral Committees and the Budget Committee enough time to consider and table a report of the Budget Estimates for the Nairobi City County Government. Hon. Members, Standing order 207 provides that each Sectoral Committee shall consider, discuss and review the Estimates according to its mandate and submit its report and recommendations to the Budget and Appropriations Committee within 21 days after being laid before the County Assembly.

Hon. Members, we would have wished that the Budget and the Appropriations Committee tabled its report of the budget today, but as you are aware, the chamber was in use today morning for public participation in the budget process. I therefore wish to direct as follows regarding the foregoing; That the Budget and Appropriations Committee table its report on the budget Estimates by Tuesday 10th June, 2014 to enable the Executive prepare an Appropriations Bill for consideration and approval by the Assembly before Monday 30th June, 2014 as contemplated by relevant Statutes and Assembly Standing Orders.

✓ **Auditor General's Report**

Hon. Members as you are aware; the Report of the Auditor General was tabled in the Assembly on Wednesday, 25th March 2014. Article 229(4) of the Constitution provides that within six months after the end of each financial year, the Auditor General shall audit and report, in respect of that financial year, on the accounts of the National and the County governments; the accounts of all the funds and authorities of the National and County governments; the accounts of the national Assembly, the Senate and the County Assemblies amongst other entities. Further to the foregoing, Article 229(8) provides that within three months after receiving an audit report, the County Assembly shall debate and consider the report and take the appropriate action. Hon. Members, I therefore wish to direct that the Report of Public Accounts Committee on its consideration of the Auditor General's Report to be tabled on Thursday, 12th June 2014, in order to conform to the three months statutory period within which the Assembly must consider the said Report.

✓ **Pending Statements**

Hon. Members, the Chair's attention was drawn to the growing number of pending Statements awaiting response from the relevant departments of the Executive. In order to ensure timely response and conclusion of pending Statements, a letter was dispatched to the County Secretary to ensure the pending Statements are dealt with accordingly.

I thank you."

**4. MOTION –DECENTRALIZATION OF PROCUREMENT PROCESSES
WITHIN THE COUNTY**

THAT, aware that the Public Procurement and Disposal Act, 2005, requires that each Public entity establish procedures to provide for the making of decisions on behalf of the public entity relating to procurement; further aware that on 25th March, 2013, the Minister for Finance gazetted the Public Procurement and Disposal (County Government Regulations) as Legal Notice No. 60 of 2013 enacting guidelines to be followed by the County Governments when carrying out procurement processes within the county; deeply concerned that public procurement processes within the County Government are bureaucratic in nature and there isn't enough personnel to handle the workload, resulting in delays in implementation of public projects and attracting unnecessary extra costs that are met by taxpayers across the City; this Assembly resolves that the County Government move with speed and ensure that procurement process within the County is decentralized to the respective existing departments or entities of the county government in order to expedite the procurement processes and implementation of projects within the stipulated time and at a reasonable cost.

(Hon. David Mberia, MCA, Majority Chief Whip)

Debate arising;

Mover replied;

Question put and agreed to

5. ASSEMBLY ROSE - at thirty minutes past Four O'clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

The Speaker will take the Chair on
Wednesday, June 4, 2014 at 2.30 p.m.

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