



**NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY
THIRD ASSEMBLY
(THIRD SESSION)**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

(2)

12th February 2024

PARKING

Honorable Members,

I have the following further communication to convey regarding parking:

Honorable Members,

My office is in receipt of a complaint letter a public interest lobby group called RLO Associates dated 30th January 2023 drawing my attention to inappropriate parking by Members of County Assembly within the Central Business District (CBD). In their letter, they observe that the County Assembly is the principal legislative entity in the County of laws that govern and regulate conduct of business and activities including parking, public transport and City Planning. In sharp contrast, we are accused of not leading by example in obeying these laws and regulations that we create. Notably, Members park their vehicles on pedestrian walk ways and/or lanes on carriage ways. This obstruction denies pedestrians their right to free and safe movement in the CBD, In addition, parking on carriage ways and obstructing a full lanes causing traffic jam along Wabera Street, Mama Ngina Street and City Hall Way and expose motorists to avoidable accidents.

Honorable Members,

As you may recall, the Assembly's parking was misappropriated and the discharge of Plenary and Committee mandate by Members was adversely affected for lack of parking for the better part of the First and Second Sessions. However, through the relentless effort of the Assembly leadership, the County Assembly was allocated parking slots along City Hall Way and Mama Ngina Street that were clearly marked and labeled by the County Executive. It is true that the then lack of proper parking occasioned Members and staff to park inappropriately on street lanes one lane streets and pedestrian walk ways.

Honorable Members,

It is inappropriate and unfortunate for Members to continue parking on walkways and on active streets despite being allocated parking slots on the said streets. It defeats our title of Honorable Members. That notwithstanding, it has come to my attention that since the parking issue was resolved, the parking boys/men who used to assist Members and staff in securing parking spaces have changed strategy. They have now resorted to ushering members of the public into parking along streets and pedestrian walk ways and in Members' designated parking slots. In this regard, I direct the Director for Security Services as follows through the office of the Clerk:

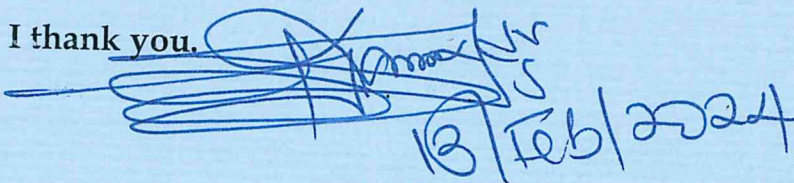
- i) to ensure that the parking slots that were designated by the County Executive are only used by the Members of County Assembly;
- ii) to liaise with the County Executive Security and Compliance Department and ensure that streets and walkways around the Assembly are ridded of deliberate acts of obstruction by both Members of County Assembly and members of the public; and
- iii) to liaise with County Executive Security and Compliance Department to ban and enforce the ban of assisted parking propagated by parking boys/men.

Honorable Members,

In this regard, you are encouraged to only park your vehicles in designated parking slots to avoid inconveniences to be occasioned by the foregoing directions. It shall be considered a breach of privileges should a Member park at undesignated places and relevant action shall be taken. As such, the Director of Security Services is hereby mandated to report to my office through the Office of the Clerk, any Member who violates the foregoing directions for further action.

Honorable Members, you are so guided.

I thank you.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, followed by the date "18 Feb 2024" written in a similar style.

The Hon. Kennedy Okeyo Ng'ondi, MCA
SPEAKER, NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

Tuesday, 12th February, 2024