COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NAIROBI CITY



THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY THIRD ASSEMBLY

(THIRD SESSION)

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

23.01.2025

SPECIAL SITTING

Hon. Members, I have the following communication to convey-

Hon. Members,

May I take this opportunity to welcome you all to today's Special Sitting which has been convened at a time when the Assembly is on the Long Recess. May I sincerely thank you for honoring the invitation despite the short notice. This is a demonstration of leadership, commitment to your Constitutional calling to serve the people of Nairobi City County. Indeed, it calls for selflessness on the part of leaders when challenges and unforeseen circumstances threaten to disrupt the smooth operations of an institution. Therefore, I have no doubt that by honoring this invitation, you have demonstrated your commitment to the wellbeing of the County and you have risen to the occasion to address what would be a potential hiccup in implementation of County's plans.

Hon. Members,

Pursuant to Standing Order No. 32, I received a letter dated 22nd January, 2025 from the Leader of the Majority Party requesting that I convene a special sitting today 23rd January, 2025 commencing at 9.30 a.m and 2.30 p.m for the morning and the afternoon Sittings respectively.

Hon. Members, Standing Order 32 (3) provides that and I quote:

"The Speaker shall, by notice in the Kenya Gazette or County Gazette, notify the Members of the Place, date and time appointed for the Special Sitting of the County Assembly"

Accordingly, having reviewed the business proposed in the request and determined its urgency, I acceded to the said request and convened the Sittings. Consequently, today's special sittings were published in the Kenya Gazette dated 22nd January 2025 under the Gazette **Notice No. 554.**

Hon. Members,

Standing Order No. 32 (4) provides that, and I quote; "whenever the County Assembly meets for a special sitting..., the Speaker shall specify the business to be transacted on the day or days appointed and the business so specified shall be the only business before the County Assembly during the special sitting, following which the County Assembly shall stand adjourned until the day appointed in the County Assembly calendar."

Accordingly, **Hon. Members**, the Assembly will today confine itself to the following business as specified in the aforementioned Gazette Notice:

- i) Tabling and consideration of the Report of the Select Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations on Supplementary (I) Budget Estimates for the FY 2024/25; and
- ii) Consideration of the Nairobi City County Supplementary (I) Appropriations Bill, 2025

To be specific, Hon. Members, during this morning Sitting, the Assembly shall consider the Committee's Report on Supplementary I Budget estimates FY 2024/2025. Subsequently, during the afternoon Sitting, the Assembly shall consider the Nairobi City County Supplementary I Appropriations Bill, 2025.

Hon. Members,

In view of the foregoing, today's Special Sittings are properly convened and I invite you to participate in the proceedings with decorum knowing that any adjustments proposed by the Committee in its report have keenly been thought through in a manner to re-align the County's initial priorities to fiscal realities as the financial year progresses.

Hon. Members,

As I conclude, may I thank all Sectoral Committees under the leadership of the respective Chairpersons for examining the Estimates as proposed by the Executive. Much appreciation also goes to the Select Committee on County Finance, Budget and Appropriations under the leadership of its Chairperson for delivering on this important exercise that will facilitate business continuity in the County.

I thank you Hon. Members.

The Hon. Kennedy O. Ng'ondi

SPEAKER, NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

Thursday 23rd January, 2025