



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

OFFICIAL REPORT

First County Assembly – First Session

Tuesday 23rd April, 2013

The House met at 2.30 p.m

(Mr. Speaker in the Chair)

PRAYERS

PAPERS LAID

The following paper was laid on table:

The Address by His Excellency the Governor of Nairobi City County

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

Hon. Speaker (Mr. Alex Sanaika Ole Magelo): Hon Members, I have one communication to make. Hon. Members in this first sitting of the Assembly we are honored to have the following guests in the speaker's room from the city of Denver;

1. Denver City Councilman, Alvas Brooks,
2. Tavlin Danlop, Director Denver City International,
3. Derick Okubu, Executive Director for human rights and community partnership,
4. Laser Keserman, Director of water and waste water management, city and county of Denver,
5. Barclay John, university of Colorado
6. Chime Montoy, Council man Brooks chief of staff

Hon. Members, as a former Chairman of the Nairobi City Association, Denver is one of our sister cities and I am honored to welcome the guests to Nairobi which has now become a city county. On behalf of members of the Nairobi City County Assembly I welcome you to the Nairobi City County and wish you a

comfortable stay. I assure you that we will continue having the same relationship and obviously we will tour your city soon. Thank you very much (Applause)

(Speaker consults with the Clerk)

Hon. Members we have notification of a general statement from Hon. Pius Owino Otieno.

NOTIFICATION OF GENERAL STATEMENT

Hon. Member for Sarang'ombe Ward (Mr. Pius Owino): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, for giving me this opportunity. First, I would like to congratulate you upon your election as Speaker of the County Assembly of Nairobi. I would also like to express my gratitude to the people of Sarang'ombe for having trust and confidence in me and eventually electing me to represent them in this County Assembly.

Mr. Speaker sir, I petitioned your office so that I could come and make a statement in line with Standing Order No. 40 which gives Hon. Members opportunity to make general statements. My general statement will touch on the state of stalled projects across Nairobi City County. After having walked around a number of Wards, starting with mine, Sarang'ombe, I realized there are a number of stalled projects. Sarang'ombe Ward has two stalled projects.

I also toured Lindi, which is adjacent to my Ward and found stalled projects. These stalled projects are in pathetic state. It makes me question the contractors who were awarded this tenders and the manner in which this contracts were awarded. It is indeed pathetic because tax-payers' money was used to fund the projects.

I am persuading this House to rise to the occasion because there is need for us to carry out an audit to determine how many projects were commissioned, the amount of money that was spent on the projects and the contractors who were awarded these tenders.

It is important for us to understand that we came here on the basis of business and business is what we are doing by raising questions. That is what I am doing and it is part of our oversight role. We must actually know if these projects' contracts were awarded in a free, fair and accountable manner or they were done in an opaque way. That is the only way we are going to assure the people who send us to this Hon. House that we are up to the task.

Secondly, it is important that while we are here, we understand that we are here because of one system of government called the devolved government. We must ensure that we do not devolve corruption to the lower level. By leaving these projects in their stalled state, we will actually be confirming to the people who elected us that in one way or other we are simply devolving corruption to the smaller units. I am asking you, Hon. Members, let us..... *(Interruption)*

Hon. Speaker: Order Member! You have already spent your three minutes. Thank you. The Hon. Leader of Minority

Hon. Leader of Minority (Mr. Abdi I Hassan): Thank you for giving me this opportunity. This is not a statement as such, but I want some guidance and direction from you concerning one of the members. In this house we have a member who has breached the Constitution of Kenya and whom we can take as an impostor. I need direction on that. I want to lay on the table of this House a copy of an article, in the Friday Edition of the Star Newspaper paper, with regard to this member. The member was taken to court on grounds of forgery and impersonation and that does not auger well for this house.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Member. At this juncture I will invite comments from both sides; three for each side and remember you have limited time for that. The Hon. Leader of the Majority

Hon. Leader of Majority: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir I beg to differ with my counterpart the Leader of Minority because the matter is before the court and I think a person is innocent until proved guilty. *(Applause)* In this case I don't think we are the experts on law. Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir.

Hon. Speaker: Please announce your names as you approach the Speaker.

Hon. Member for Kahawa (Mr. Samwel Mbutia): Mr. Speaker sir, my name is Samwel Mbutia Hon Member for Kahawa Ward. I want to state categorically that this House is a House of rules and procedure and it is in bad taste for this House to flout rules and set a bad precedence where, a fellow Member can come here, impersonate, forge or do anything that is contrary to the rules of this House. I would urge the Speaker to give us direction on that and set a good precedence so that this House might be the best place to set precedence. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon Speaker: The Hon. Member for Embakasi

Hon. Member for Embakasi Ward (Mr. Michael Ogada): Thank you Mr. Speaker, my name is Michael Ogada. I represent Embakasi Ward. With regard to the matter we are discussing, I think the Hon. Member who has just spoken was quite in order to have said that this is the House of rules and procedures. As such we must respect the rules and procedures. Rule number one is that I am innocent until I am proven guilty. *(Applause)* So before I am proven guilty then I am not guilty.

The Hon. Member has tabled a paper which he is purporting to be a copy from the Star Newspaper. I don't know whether he printed the copy he is presenting here or he actually photocopied the page from the paper itself. So we will treat that as rumours until we receive formal communication that the member he is purporting to question has been proven guilty and has been convicted. So far, we know that none of the members has a case. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Wahinya please

Hon. Member for Ngando Ward (Mr. Peter Wahinya): Mr. Speaker, my contribution in this regard..... I have been informed that I should first introduce myself. My name is Peter Wahinya. I am the County Representative for Ngando Ward in Dagoretti South. My contribution in this regard is that we have just learnt and received information with respect to an impostor in the House.

It is true in my opinion that this House does not carry the mandate to establish as to whether this particular rumour has been confirmed or whether this particular impostor is a realistic phenomenon. We may not necessarily have the mandate in this House but, really, common sense in as far as I am concerned dictates that we as an assembly should be careful because we need to be able to wash our House.

Indeed we should be able not to proceed with matters that concerns for example, say elections in a scenario where we have question marks and suspicion. So, yes I do agree that we may not be able to confirm whether this is a true impostor or not but I do submit that we should not proceed with any matter that involves the participation of such a member until the court does prove exactly what is going on. *(Applause)* Therefore my submission is that let us proceed in the normal manner with the exclusion of any participation or any activity that involves an election. That's my submission Mr. Speaker Sir.

(Applause)

Hon Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Member from Dagorreti South. Hon. Members, you have made your points and as far as the House is concerned, I would issue a directive on Tuesday at 2.30 pm in regard to this matter before the House. Thank you.

MOTIONS

MOTION – APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Hon. Leader of Majority: Mr. Speaker sir, I beg to move the motion; that pursuant to the provisions of the Interim Standing Order number 152, this Assembly approves the appointment of the following Members to the County Assembly Business Committee:

1. Hon. Alex Ole Magelo , Speaker of the County Assembly - Chairperson,
2. Hon. Elias Otieno, MCA, Leader of Majority Party,
3. Hon. Abdi I Hassan, MCA, Leader of Minority Party.
4. Hon. Pius Owino Otieno, MCA
5. Hon. Peter Imwatok, MCA
6. Hon. Jaffer Kassam, MCA
7. Hon. Michael Oganda, MCA
8. Hon. Elizabeth Manyala, MCA
9. Hon. David N. Mberia, MCA
10. Hon. Beatrice Kwamboka, MCA
11. Hon. Athman Hashim Kamau, MCA
12. Hon. Paul Muiruri Kiguathi Kados, MCA
13. Hon. Michael Wainaina Wanjiku, MCA
14. Hon. James Mwaura Chege, MCA
15. Hon. George Maina Njoroge, MCA

I call upon members to adopt this list because it is very important for this house. This is the Committee which is going to constitute the sectoral committees. Therefore it is very important for us to adopt the list. May I call on the Leader of Minority to second the list. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, I would like you to stand so that I can notice you. Do not raise your hands. Thank you. Hon. Ochola

Hon. Member for Utalii Ward (Mr. Wilson Ongele Ochola): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I would like to disagree with the names of the nominees under section 155 because we as elected members of the Assembly did not know the category which the Leader of Minority or the.....

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Member, thank you very much. Before you do..... Let the motion be moved and seconded so that we can have your inputs on it. I would like, first, the motion to be moved so that we can propose and second it then you can have the time to interrogate it.

Hon. Leader of Majority: Mr. Speaker, I beg to call on my counterpart the Leader of Minority to second the motion.

Hon. Leader of Minority (Mr. Abdi I Hassan): Mr. Speaker, before I second the motion, I think we have some disagreement here and I need to consult with the Leader of Majority.

(Loud Consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Your point of order..... I did not call you...no. The Hon. Lady

Hon. Member for Kayole South Ward (Ms Elizabeth Manyala Akinyi): I did not hear what the Leader of the Minority actually said. Can he come and substantiate on what he is trying to tell the House? Thank you.

(Loud Consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Order Hon. Members! First, the movements in the House are not allowed and I also want to put it to you that when you stand up and want to oppose a motion you have to quote under which standing Order you are opposing the motion. I would like to make it very clear, please, stop crisscrossing the Assembly while it is in session.

(Consultation; Speaker consults with the Clerk)

Can we proceed? I would like us to proceed, please.

Hon. Member: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I think we did not agree. We did not hear what you were saying. We are, as Hon. Ochola of Utalii Ward has said, in disagreement with the names being put on table here, because of the category used to nominate the listed members. Under section 155 can you read 40? Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: The Hon. Chief Whip

Hon. Chief Whip of Majority (Mr. David Mberia): Hon. Speaker sir, I would like to know from the Hon. Leader of Minority party whether he was seconding the motion or not. Thank you

(Loud Consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Kagundo, please

Hon. Member for Kayole Central Ward(Jackson Kiama Kigandi): Mr. Speaker, it is my view as a member of this County Assembly that a list that has been presented on the floor of this House does not represent the true will of the parties that are represented in this Assembly. It also does not reflect as per the number of members each coalition has in this House.

Hon. Member: I rise on a point of order because you had actually adjourned the.....

Hon. Speaker: Order Member! *(Speaker consults with the Clerk)* I would like to bring to the attention of the Hon. Members on point of orders. Any Member may rise on a point of order at any time during the speech of another Member, stating the Member rises on a point of order and the Member shall be required to indicate the Standing Order upon which the point of order is based.

If the Leader of Minority is not going to second the motion, the Leader of Majority should move and get another Member to second so that we can discuss the motion, interrogate it and at the end of the day, you know what happens members, you can either reject it or pass it. So I call on the Leader of Majority to look for another member to second if the Leader of Minority does not want to second the motion, so that we can debate it and then either pass it or not pass it. Thank you, Hon. Members. Order Members!

Hon. Leader of Majority: Mr. Speaker, I think it is important for us in this House to work as brothers and sisters *(Applause)* so may I request for adjournment for 10 minutes because there is a problem. Okay, it is objected to by the Clerk. According to what the Speaker is requesting, may I ask the Chief Whip to come and second.

(Loud Consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, I need to ask the Leader of Majority to skip this motion *(Applause)* until we have agreed on it. We move the next motion and I would ask the Leader of Majority to move the motion pursuant to provisions of the Interim orders, Standing Order number 153 that this Assembly approves the appointment of the following to the Committee on Selection. The Hon. Leader of Majority party

(Loud Consultations)

Okay Members. Order! Just take a seat!

Hon. Member: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity. The matter at hand is a very delicate issue. All the motions that have been tabled on the floor of this House are pertinent to the

membership that constitutes the committees in the first place. It through your wise guidance, that we have pushed the motion on discussing that errant Member to next week. I seek your guidance and clear way forward because we cannot..... if you look at the membership and composition of the first motion that has been pushed aside; the membership is tilting in favour of one side of the House. *(Applause)* yet you have wisely pushed the motion to Tuesday next week.

So we feel that all the motions that have been tabled on the floor of this House, because they have a bearing on membership from both sides of the House, should be shelved until we discuss that errant member and a position is clearly given so that we can know what number both sides of the House have before we discuss the motions. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members I wish to refer you to point of order 79(3) *“the Speaker shall either give a decision on a point of order forthwith or announce that the decision is deferred after which the member who was speaking at time the point of order was raised may continue to speak.”* Hon. Members I requested that we go to the next order to allow the Leader of Majority to organize his own motion. So can we go to the second motion, please. Hon. David Mberia are you on appoint of order?

Hon. Chief Whip of Majority: Yes, Mr. Speaker, there is an issue with the motion. The problem is with the constitution of the Committee on Selection and not the constitution of the House Business committee. So we would like to know from the Leader of the Minority where the problem is. Is it the constitution of the House Business Committee or the Committee on Selection?

(Loud Consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Order Members! Hon. Members you are not in order. We stand here as Hon. Members and I would request that in any discussion read the motions and discuss in a brotherly and sisterly manner. I would ask the leader of Minority to respond to the question asked by the Chief Whip Hon. Mberia. If you can, please, elaborate. Thank you.

Hon. Leader of Minority: Mr. Speaker we have a problem with all the standing committees here. Let me give an example of motion number 10. If you look at motion 10, the name listed as number three; *“Hon. David Mberia, MCA, Leader of Minority”*. All these order papers are defective. Can you look at motion number 10; *“pursuant to the provisions of Interim Standing Order number 188 this Assembly approves the appointment of the following members to the County Assembly rules and procedure Committee:*

1. *Hon. Alex Ole Magelo*
2. *Hon. Elias Otieno Leader of Majority*
3. *Hon. David Mberia, Leader of Minority”*

What is that? For that purpose, this motion should be discarded until you further direct it.

(Loud Consultations)

Hon. Speaker: The Hon. Mberia

Hon. Chief Whip of Majority: Hon. Speaker, I am the Majority Chief Whip. I am not the Leader of the Minority party. This is just a typographical error and I would like to know from the office of the Clerk what happened during typing of the names. Thank you.

(Loud Consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Order Members, while I get details of the typing error. *(Loud Consultations)* Hon. Members when the Speaker is consulting with the Clerk I would ask you to please remain seated. Order Members! Hon. Members I want to find out from you with regard to motion number eight and motion number nine; are there names that have been put here that were not presented by the both chief Whips to the Clerk? I would like *(Loud Consultations)* order members!..... not in a chorus because you were not there when names were handed over to the Clerk of the Assembly by the Chief Whips and Leaders of Majority and Minority. Just a question; motions numbers eight and nine were.....order members! I just want to find out if there is any name that was to be given but was omitted in the names submitted to the Clerk. Hon. Chief Whip, Hashim

Hon. Chief Whip of Minority (Mr. Hashim): Mr. Speaker, you had already ruled on the motions numbers eight and nine. I want to find out if the Chief Whip of Majority is in order, to ask a question when you have already ruled on the item?

Hon. Speaker: The Hon. Chief Whip, Hon. Hashim, are these the names you gave to the Clerk?

Hon. Chief Whip of Minority: The issue here is not the names but the composition of the lists in terms of the strength of the party in this House, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. David Mberia, the Chief Whip of the Majority

Hon. Chief Whip of Majority: Mr. Speaker, during the presentation of the final list to the clerk, we were with the Hon. Hashim the Chief Whip and 'Mheshimiwa' Kados. The list we presented to the Clerk is the same list we have presented here. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Hashim

Hon. Chief Whip of Minority: Thank Mr. Speaker, I think the Chief Whip is trying to mislead this House.....

Hon Speaker: Order Members, it has come to my attention that there are Members who are not properly dressed. Can all those not wearing jackets walk out to put on their jackets? Order! There is a member on the floor please. Hon. Member, I am calling for restraint. This is not the end of the world. There is a member on the floor give him chance as you have also been given chance. Order Member! Hon. Kados, Please

Hon. Member for Mihango Ward (Mr. Paul Kados Kiguathi): Mr. Speaker I think the Hon. Chief Whip is trying to mislead this House. One thing, we are not contesting what our Chief Whip is proposing but the composition of the members and not the number of members. This is not the composition of members. We did not agree on that.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Chief Whip, Hon. Hashim

Hon. Chief Whip of Minority: A point of information for the Hon. Member; in the list that was presented by CORD the name of Elizabeth Manyala was not there.

Hon. Speaker: Please, Hon. Member, sorry, I was consulting. Approach

Hon. Chief Whip of Minority: Mr. Speaker, I was saying that in the list that was presented by CORD, the name of the Hon. Elizabeth Manyala was not there.

Hon. Speaker: Order Members, I would like to take this opportunity and give Hon. Ochola the last warning. Order members! Take your seat. The Hon. Member there, who has stood several times

Hon. Member for Dandora II Ward (Mr. Stephen Murage Kambi): Thank you Mr. Speaker, my name is Stephen Murage Kambi, County Representative for Dandora II Ward. I think it would be in order if the House was adjourned because all the motions presented before this House are not in order. It is clear that the Leader of Minority has failed to second the motions, numbers eight and nine. Thank you, sir.

(Loud Consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members hold on,.....I am consulting in a short while. Order Members! Consult quietly. *(Loud Consultations)* Order Members! I would like to call upon Hon. Ochola to substantiate the allegations against the Clerk.

Hon. Wilson Ochola: Thank you Mr. Speaker, the one thing that I was trying to say and you do not understanding, with regard to the allegations, is that the list was submitted to the Clerk and he typed it without consulting both the minority and majority.....

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, I am not a lawyer, but I can tell you the work of submitting the names is entirely on the Chief Whips of Minority and Majority. I would like to call upon Hon. Ochola to apologise.

Hon. Ochola: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I have withdrawn.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Kathundo

(Loud Consultations)

Hon. Member for Dandora Area III Ward (Mr. Charles Thuo): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I stand on a point of order no. 154 that the committees shall be formed with consultations with the parties in

the Assembly. It is clear from the discussions on the floor that the Chief Whips from both sides have not agreed. It is my view.....I beg your attention Mr. Speaker sir.

Hon. Speaker: Go ahead. Order members! There is a member on the floor, gentlemen. *(Loud consultations)* Order Member! Hon. Members, I want to plead with you that when a member is on the floor, give him chance to be heard. We cannot let the County Assembly of Nairobi to become a market place. Hon. Member

Hon. Charles Thuo: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, for protecting me. I stand on a point of order number 154 which states that the appointment of Committees shall be in consultations with the parties in the Assembly. It is clear from the discussions on the floor that the parties and the Chief Whips have not agreed. Mr. Speaker, I beg you to invoke Standing Order number 93 and adjourn this House so that the Chief Whips can consult.

Hon. Speaker: Order members! First, order number 152 the County Assembly Business Committee; it clearly states *"this reflects the relative majorities of the seats held by each of the County Assembly parties in the assembly and taking into consideration the independent party."* Notwithstanding the fact that we do not have the independent party and as earlier agreed in this House I will be issuing a statement regarding the member whom you referred to as an impostor, this House remains 85 members until otherwise.

So, I want you to take into consideration this and as one Hon. Member said from the floor, it is only until one is jailed or dies. But for the composition of the House it still reflects the total number of County Representatives in the County Assembly. Thank you. Hon. Leader of the Minority

Hon. Leader of Minority: Mr. Speaker sir, putting into consideration your ruling, I want to talk about composition of the member pursuant to the Standing Order no. 152 which you have stated, clause (2) which states that in constituting members, the County Assembly shall consider the strength of the party. Now if you look at this motion number eight our brothers have seven members and we have five members and that does not reflect the strength of the parties in this House because we have a ratio of 43:42, if you put into consideration what you have just ruled. Pursuant to that I would request that you adjourn this House until we agree on those issues with the Leader of Majority (Applause) and the two Chief Whips Mr. Speaker sir.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Who are these seven members? Order Members! I am consulting the Clerk please

(Speaker consults with the Clerk)

(Loud Consultations)

Order Members! Hon. Members, I want to take you back to select committees: The County Assembly Business Committee (1) "*There shall be a select committee, to be designated the County Assembly Business Committee, consisting of-*

- a) *the Speaker who shall be the chairperson;*
 - b) *the Leader of the Majority Party;*
 - c) *the Leader of the Minority Party; and*
 - d) *not less than twenty one and not more than twenty-nine members, who shall be nominated by County Assembly parties and approved by the County Assembly at the commencement of every Session, reflecting the relative majorities of the seats held by each of the County Assembly parties in the County Assembly and taking into consideration the interests of Independents.*
- (2) *The County Assembly Business Committee shall be appointed within seven days on assembly of a new County Assembly.*
- (3) *In nominating the Members to the County Assembly Business Committee, each County Assembly party shall include its Whip into the membership.*
- (4) *In the absence of the Speaker, the Deputy Speaker shall attend and Chair the meetings of the County Assembly Business Committee.*

(5) *The County Assembly Business Committee shall prepare and...*"Of course you know what it would do.

Now as we stand after consultation and after going through the paper, let's look at the motion laid by the Leader of Majority. The Members of CORD are seven and the members of Jubilee are five. This is the ratio of 43:42. Hon Members, this committee does not require consultations. Again, there shall be a select committee to be designated a Selection Committee consisting of the Leader of majority party who shall be the chairperson, the Leader of minority party and not less than 11 and not more than 19 members. According to the list which is before me, this list has all the ingredients that reflect the strength of the House (*Applause*). I now call upon the Leader of the Majority to move the motion. Thank you

(Applause)
(Consultations)

Hon. Leader of Majority: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I hereby move the motion on the House Business Committee.....

Hon. Speaker: Order Members! We will follow the procedure of the Assembly, the motion shall be moved, we discuss it and you can throw it away after we have discussed it. You have to discuss it then you can either adopt it or throw it away. That is the procedure. Hon. Members no more point of orders, it is business.

Hon. Leader of Majority: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I am here to move again the following motion pursuant to the Interim Standing Order number 152 ..

(The Leader of the Majority moved the motion on the appointment of the House Business Committee for the second time and this time round called upon the Chief Whip to second the motion)

Hon. Chief Whip of Majority: Mr. Speaker I stand here to second the motion. First, I would like to congratulate you for having been elected to be the first Speaker of this County Assembly. Secondly, I would like to thank the people of Karen Ward for having elected me to this august House.

Thirdly, I would like to support this motion. The House Business Committee does not consist of all the members of the Assembly. I believe the majority and minority Chief Whips were in agreement that the list which was taken to the Clerk was the original list. The House Business Committee is a very important committee of this House. Without this committee there will be no business for the Hon. Members of this House to transact.

We are all members of this House, 85 in number and we cannot all be members of the House Business Committee. But if a member has the opportunity to serve in the Committee, we as members of the County Assembly of Nairobi should support the member to ensure we get down to business. With those few remarks I beg to support the motion.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members the motion has been moved and now it is time for discussion so that we vote on it... *(Interruption)* Order Members! No more point of orders. Let's move to business *(Interruption)* Hon. Members, the members who are approaching without the permission of the speaker..... .. a point of information...order members!

Hon. Member for Nyayo Highrise Ward (Mr. Maurice Omondi Akuk): Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir, for the opportunity you have granted me and..... *(Interruption)*

Hon. Speaker: Order Members! In that strength you will be called upon to tell us to whom you are giving information.

Hon. Maurice Akuk: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I will start by introducing myself and thanking the people of Nyayo Highrise Ward for electing me to represent them in this august Assembly. The point of information I have is directed to my fellow members belonging to the majority party who are seated with the members belonging to the minority party. Is it in order, Mr. Speaker?

Hon. Speaker: Order member, you can only inform. The member who has asked the question, you are out of order. Hon. Member, can you come forward?

Hon. Member: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of information. I would like to inform the Hon. Members of the majority party who are seated with Members of the minority party to cross the floor.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Member, my friend, can you walk across *(Applause)*

Hon. Member for Mukuru Kwa Njenga (Mr. Alexander Mulatya): Thank you Mr. Speaker. My name is Mulatya Alexander from Mukuru Kwa Njenga Ward alias Miguu tatu, I would like to oppose the motion. First, these are the two most important committees in our Assembly. In my party CORD, we were not adequately consulted during the constitution of these committees. Yesterday, when they were preparing the list of the Members of the committees, there arose a lot of issues that were not resolved.

In fact someone said that the Leader of Majority should not consult anyone to constitute these committees.

Secondly, when we were leaving the venue, of our consultations, one of our members was threatened and assaulted by the Leader of Majority. I fear nobody and I will speak the truth. I was also present. The Leader of Majority leads a coalition whereby the interest of the parties within the coalition should be considered. The interest of the parties within the coalition was not considered, but rubbished. Some names were proposed to be in the list but they were dropped. We were told that the persons should not be in the list because they cannot deliver. I do not know the standard that was used to gauge who can deliver and who cannot. I am an elected Member of my Ward and I represent the people of Nairobi who come from Mukuru Kwa Njenga Ward. I am not a nominated Member or an impostor. So I submit that this motion should be rejected and we reconstitute the committee afresh. Thank you very much.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Ogada

Hon. Member for Michael Ogada: Thank you 'Bwana' Speaker. I stand here to support the motion.

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, order please. Our business is to interrogate the motions and to do what we know best to support it or oppose it. Order Members!

Hon. Member for Embakasi Ward (Mr. Michael Ogada): Mr. Speaker, I support the motion by saying the following: one, you have taken us through the Standing Orders and the orders recognize the composition of the committee according to the party strength and you have indicated that in the second committee motion number nine; we are seven against five. That is as per party strength. If you do it otherwise it will be six against six and it will not reflect party strength.

The other one is motion number eight which also has the same scenario. The Standing Order does not require the members to agree, it requires the party strength to be recognized. The party strength has been recognized and members attended a meeting, whether all or half of them were there the fact remains that the people were represented and at least the majority agreed on the list.

Therefore we believe the members who have been put in the list are members of this house. We cannot get members outside of this House to compose a committee. All of them, just like the Hon. Member who spoke before me said, are elected. We cannot say that some were half elected and others fully elected. All of us here are members of this House. I support the listed members to remain in the list. We will take the others who are not in the list to other committees. Thank you, 'Bwana' Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Leader of Minority

Hon. Leader of Minority: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I stand to oppose this motion on account of Standing Order number 1(2)/2. A committee selection shall be considerate to the needs of gender balance and shall in so far as may be practicable ensure that no more than two thirds of the members of the County Assembly shall be of the same gender.

If you look at this list, we have around five ladies (*Interruptions*) four ladies, sorry and thank you for correction. I think it is not proper for those beautiful ladies to be left out of this committee. On that I stand to oppose this motion. I think it should be put on hold. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Member for Ngando Ward (Mr. Peter Wahinya): Mr. Speaker, first, let me categorically state my stand that I oppose this particular motion due to some concerns. The composition has not been accepted by the political divide in as far as the political establishment is concerned. Allow me to perhaps advice the Chair because we have come from many sessions where members of the political divide have been interacting quite a great deal. This has been for example through trainings at the Kenya School of Government.

So far people have developed a bond in as far as I am concerned. It is my submission that when members of this Assembly are asking for permission to talk some more and exchange more ideas so that they can come up with the list that is wholly acceptable by a majority of members of this House, I think it is only in order. In my opinion it is in order, to rule that we go through the motion of adjournment so that we can have enough time to engage one another.

May I repeat again, before I sit down, that we have been engaging each other a great deal and bonded as a result. I do not see why we should be introducing acrimony on the first day that we are in session. So, I want to say that it is not the list that is necessarily defective, it is the consultation that has not been exhausted to a level where everybody or the majority of the members can call satisfactory. If you look at the Standing Orders, they are very clear in the sense that the Leaders of Majority and Minority will consult their respective parties. We will engage one another until we reach a consensus and the names will be submitted by the Leaders of Majority and Minority and in my opinion they will be accepted almost automatically.

We saw it happening in Parliament recently. I think I am taking advantage of the fact that, Mr. Speaker, you are busy, so I can continue talking. It is in my favour. I think it was about a week ago where Members of Parliament retreated to Naivasha, where they discussed and agreed and when the names were submitted there was absolutely no engagement like we are witnessing. Therefore, as I conclude, allow me to suggest again, please give us an adjournment. Let us engage each other some more so that we submit the names. We shall do it in harmony, peace and love. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members I will only take two more. The Hon. Member who...

Hon. Member for Waithaka Ward (Mr. Anthony Karanja): Thank you Mr. Speaker, my name is Anthony Karanja from Waithaka Ward. I would like to inform the House about the composition of the committees. 43 members of the 85 members of the Assembly for CORD and 42 for Jubilee translate to

50.5% and 49.4% of the committees respectively. Of the said members who constitute 50.5% which is equivalent to 6.06 we have seven members. 49 is equivalent to 5.9 rounding off to 6 we have five members.

I think it is important I bring to the attention of this House that I respect the fact that we cannot have six against six, but you will agree with me that we cannot also have seven to five. Mr. Speaker, at least give us the direction on the exact number of members each coalition should contribute to the committee. *(Consultations)* I would like to put it to the members that this is with the exception of the three mandatory members.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, I will take one more question or one more from Hon. Ochola. Order Members!

Hon. Wilson Ochola: Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir; it is evident that you are seeking for a way to unify this House. Thank you. I am opposing this motion, because these members of the Assembly are not happy. You can see that some of them are crying. This motion is not properly done. It therefore needs more consultations. This people are just pretending. Let me tell you, just because some of them saw their names in the list, they are supporting as if they do not know where they are coming from. I am saying I am opposing. You were also out of order sometimes back, but I am not out of order.

(Interruption and loud consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Order Members! Order! *(Loud consultations)* Hon. Member, I am only taking this last one..

Hon. Member for Makongeni Ward (Mr. Peter Imwatok): Thank you Mr. Speaker, my name is Peter Imwatok Jateso. I am honored to speak on a point of order. First, I want us to understand the meaning of the word 'select' committee. My point of order is very simple. We are debating out of order because the Standing Order is very clear. There is nowhere it says consultation it says the Leader of Majority must select the number of people to the select committee in consultation with the party but not with any elected individual or any member of the county Assembly.

We are discussing something which is out of order. The Leader of Majority has tabled motion number 8, the Speaker has jurisdiction to decide whether it is within the Standing Orders or not. I support the motion by saying that this motion is in line with the Standing Orders, there is nowhere a coalition government is mentioned, it is a party issue. So those members on the other side are out of order, Mr. Speaker.

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Order Members! Hon. Members, the amended paper is being passed around. Meanwhile I call upon the Leader of the Majority to reply.

Hon. Leader of Majority: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, before I begun I said we want to work as brothers and sisters and I am still repeating it again. There was just a small hiccup but I don't think that can make us lose this day. Let us keep to the lists we adopted with amendments of one person to be added from the minority party. May I be seconded by the Leader of Minority.

(Applause followed by loud consultations)

Hon. Leader of Minority: Mr. Speaker, I concur with the Leader of Majority so that.....

(Speaker consults with the Clerk)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Leader of Minority, please, continue, my apologies.

Hon. Leader of Minority: Mr. Speaker sir, I would like to second the amendments of the motion by the Leader of Majority and I concur with him that, as the minority party, we have to be given one slot more for the House Committee and the Selection Committee. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The House Business Committee member's name shall be proposed by the Chief Whip.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members of the Nairobi County Assembly I now call upon the members to let me know whether you are in agreement with the amendments. Hon. My friend Kagundo

Hon. Jackson Kigandi: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir.... *(Interruption)*

Hon. Speaker: Order Member, I want to call upon the Leaders of Majority and Minority to give us their amended names for inclusion in the lists. Thank you, Members. The Hon. Member, please. Order Members! There is a member on the floor, already.

Hon. Jackson Kigandi: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker, for your protection. I oppose still, because my issue is different from the rest. They have just stated that we are brothers and sisters; yet we now have seven against eight members and there are Members who are not satisfied with the names supplied in all the committee lists. After reading I may not.....*(Interruption)*.... Please, may I ask for protection....

Hon. Speaker: Order Members! Let the member finish. We are through

Hon. Jackson Kigandi: Since we are in disagreement with the names being forwarded by the Leader of Majority and you can read the mood of the House, can we go divisions so that we can move? We can vote on whether we are going to propose or oppose.

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members order! I am waiting for the list of the names as regards the amendments. *(Loud consultations)* order Members! Please! Wait quietly, for the consultation which is ongoing then we can proceed. You have 5 minutes Leader of Minority. Order Members! Consult quietly and get back to your seats. Order Members! It is not allowed for you to stand. The Leader of Majority,

take the stand. Members please, be seated. *(Loud consultations)* Order! Members, I want to express my regret that you interrupted the House proceedings. Order Members! I now call upon the Leader of Minority to give us the names *(Loud consultations)* Order Members! Any member who is standing will be asked to leave the House. The Chief Whip of the Minority, forward the names

Hon. Chief Whip of Minority: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I request to be given more time until tomorrow morning.

Hon. Speaker: The Hon. Member who is not properly dressed, we would like to ask you to leave the Assembly. You know who you are. There is a member who has just entered the House and he is not properly dressed. You are seated on the left side. You are not properly dressed. I will ask you to leave and get dressed. I call upon the Leader of majority to come, since we have no more business to transact, and withdraw motion number eight. The motion will be brought back tomorrow.

Hon. Leader of Majority: Thank you Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order no. 48, I beg to withdraw the motions.

(Applause followed by loud consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Leader of Majority, are you also withdrawing motions number nine and ten?

Hon. Leader of Majority: Yes Mr. Speaker, I withdraw all the motions.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Leader of majority please proceed on number 11

MOTION – PROCEDURAL MOTION ON THE DEBATE OF THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH

Hon. Leader of Majority: Mr. Speaker I beg to move motion number 11 that pursuant to the provisions of the Interim Standing Order number 94(1) this Assembly orders that debate on the motion on the address of the Governor shall be limited to not more than 15 minutes for each member speaking, 20 minutes for the mover in moving and replying and 20 minutes for the Leader of Majority... *(Interruptions)* As Leader of Majority I beg to put the following as the first of the Assembly bill..... *(Interruption)*public policy *(Interruption)*.....laid on the table of the Assembly on the first day, Tuesday April 18, 2013.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Leader of Majority. On number 11 you may call a member to second you.

Hon. Leader of Majority: Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir, let me call upon Peter Imwatok to second the motion.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Mr. Speaker, as the Leader of Majority has said I stand here to second the motion with regard to the speech given by our Excellency the Governor Dr. Kidero on 18th April 2013. On the same note I want to point out a few things. As the motto of our Governor, “*a better City for a better people to live in*” this House is called upon

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Member, you were supposed to just second.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Mr. Speaker, I wanted to talk, but I will talk later. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Leader of Majority, motion number 10 (*Consultations*) Hon. Members, we are in the learning process. On order number 11, I will call upon Members to vote. I put the question for those for and against. The 'yes' for the procedural motion and those who are against.....

(Speaker consults with the Clerk).

I am sorry. I have to read to you again. The procedural motion that pursuant to the provision of the Interim Standing Order 94(1) this Assembly orders that the debate on the motion on the address of the Governor be limited to not more than 15 minutes for each member speaking, 20 minutes for the mover in moving and replying and 20 minutes for the Leader of Majority party and the Leader of Minority party. Those who are for 'yes' the 'nays.' The 'yes' have it.

(The procedural motion was passed)

(Loud Consultations)

Order Members! Continue the Leader of Majority

Hon. Leader of the Majority: Mr. Speaker sir, I beg to move the following motion that the thanks of the County Assembly be recorded for the exposition of public policy contained in the address of the Governor, laid on the table of the Assembly on Tuesday 18th April 2013. (*Consultations*) Okay, Mr. Speaker, as you know we are still learning. Learning is a continuous process so I think it is going to take us some time to learn. I want to ask the Chief Whip to come and second.

Hon. Chief Whip of Majority: Mr. Speaker, I beg to second the motion

(Consultations)

Hon. Speaker: I call upon members of the Assembly to contribute to the speech by His Excellency Dr. Evans Kidero, the Governor of Nairobi City County on Tuesday April 18, 2013.

Hon. Member for Kariobangi South (Mr. Robert Mbatia): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I want to contribute on the Hon. Governor's Speech. First, I want to say that I personally was very impressed with the grasp that the Governor had. It means that the city has a bright future if what was on paper would be put into practice. But I will be very brief and say that there was some slight oversight in his speech because, of all the things he was looking forwards to doing, he never mentioned the welfare of these Hon. Members. (*Applause*).

We do not have offices. We are operating on the streets. That is something I would have liked him to mention as the Governor of Nairobi. Another issue is about our parking spaces. I just met a

fellow member, who told me that it had taken him 20 minutes to get a parking lot. So, that was an oversight, maybe, in the Governor's speech.

The Governor mentioned very positive things about education of the city and especially the early childhood development. But there was an oversight on primary education. Although it is not in our jurisdiction, because the function went back to the Ministry of Education, initially the Nairobi City Council was involved. The Council had authority to oversee the primary schools in Nairobi.

The governor ought to have mentioned, that he would be bringing to the House bills geared towards having structures and bringing back the County's oversight role over those primary schools. As you know, we have put a lot of resources in the schools. They are our facilities and we cannot bear children, give them better early childhood education, leave them to the central government and at 18 years after they complete school we take them over. So that was an oversight and we as members should come up with motions that will get us the primary schools back from central government on delegated authority. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Peter Wahinya: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker, I would like to beg for leave prior to debating this particular motion and invoke Standing Order number 16 on the limitation of debate. I do propose some amendments, because according to the motion that has been moved it has indicated that we shall debate for 15 minutes per speaker. It is my humble opinion that if we do that; if we take 15 minutes multiplied by the number of members who are here and I would like to hope that every member wishes to make some contribution to this particular motion, it will take us to sometimes past midnight.

Take your calculators and take 15 minutes per person, 20 minutes for the mover of the motion and also 20 minutes for the Minority Leader, you will see what I mean. So, it is my suggestion under part 16 of the limitation of debate that we squeeze it to five minutes, because even the two members who have spoken before me, that is the Leader of Majority and the Hon. Mbatia have taken less than 5 minutes.

Hon Speaker: Thank you Hon. Member for your timely advice. This was just to regulate, otherwise Hon. Members we have four days to debate. However, it is important to note the sentiments of the Member in this regard to limiting the speeches so us not to repeat ourselves. You have been given 15 minutes but you can use only 3 minutes like the Hon. Mbatia just did. Remember, we have four days to debate on the speech of the Governor.

Hon. Peter Wahinya: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I will now continue to make my contributions to this debate. I personally would like to congratulate our governor for the wonderful speech he gave us. In my opinion the speech does address most of our concerns and the concerns of the majority of the people I represent in Dagoretti South, but I would like to suggest to the Governor that in the execution of his mandate and moreso at the very beginning he focuses on simplicity in the implementation of all that he has suggested in his speech.

What I mean is that I have listed down some of the various issues that may concern my people of Ngando ward. One of such major issues is garbage collection and I am excited that the Governor touched on this in his speech. Garbage collection is the biggest menace in Ngando ward. If you visit Ngando Ward in the morning and watch the people as they leave their houses for work, you will observe that 60% of the people walking to the bus stop carry along a bag full of garbage. The idea is to scatter that garbage at the earliest opportune moment meaning at the very end of the corner somewhere somebody perhaps thinks that he is not being seen. So my area has a big problem of garbage that is why I think the Governor's speech in respect to garbage was very impressive.

I am advising the Governor to concentrate on simple things before we embark on the super structures and infrastructure. Another area of my concern and I am very happy that the Governor mentioned, is the area of security. He did mention about security and he went further to talk about transportation, water supply and sanitation. I do remember during the campaigns, one of the then aspiring governors appeared before the media offering a suggestion that in his first 100 days in office he will make sure that there is a fly over from Machakos turnover all the way to Limuru passing over Uhuru Highway and I found that to be a bit ridiculous.

As far as I am concerned what is necessary at the moment is for us to clean up the city with simplicity. In my opinion simplicity comes to garbage collection, security issues, ease of transportation, water supply and sanitation.

So, I am appealing, in one block sentence, to the Governor to put aside any ambitions in as far as the development of infrastructure is concerned and concentrate at least in the first 100 days on the four pillars that I have mentioned; garbage, security, ease of transportation, water supply and sanitation. In a nut shell I was very impressed with the Governor's speech and I know we can do better than that, it being the first proposition of the things he will do. I say 'hongera' to him as I finalize my comments.

Hon. Speaker: Order Member! Hon. Member, I have given you several chances to speak but I would like this member to have a chance to speak too. He has not spoken. You will have time to speak again since we have four days to debate.

Hon. Member for Nyayo Highrise Ward (Mr Maurice Akuk): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I apologize to my colleague the Hon. Member for Sarang'ombe, Otieno. I support the speech of the Governor and coming from one of the Wards which is greatly affected by slums and high poverty levels, I must say that I was greatly impressed by the Governor's speech and the critical delivery areas he mentioned.

He mentioned seven pillars of which two affect my people. I would urge the House to support the Governor in achieving what he intends to achieve in his five-year term.

One of the things I would like you Hon. Members to truly consider and help the Governor achieve, and you will agree with me in totality, is health. Even though one of our colleagues did

mention that our welfare was not considered but I believe the Clerk together with the Speaker are working on a medical insurance scheme for Members.

The Governor did mention in his speech that he was going to improve on Pumwani maternity Hospital which we all know has outlived its usefulness and needs some major repairs and a face lift. He did also mention 60 health facilities. I was wondering where this 60 health facilities are and what the Governor is going to do about them. I represent the people of Kibera, just a section of Kibera, and we do not have a health facility in the whole of Kibera that can be managed by or given the name of Nairobi County.

I do not know if all the 60 health facilities are in existence or whether some of them have been disposed off. If they have been disposed off, we would like the Governor, if he truly wants to improve the health of this lovely county, to state how he is going to get the facilities back because I believe, if I am not wrong, most of the facilities are not functional and are no longer in existence.

I as a member representing the people of Nyayo Highrise will be greatly interested in an answer from the Governor's office on how he can improve on whatever he mentioned in his speech especially health because health is important in contributing to our people's productivity. Improved health will make the people achieve the other pillars he mentioned.

I happen to come from a ward where we have the slum upgrading programme. Majority of our Members here do represent slums but a majority of Members do not understand what it involves when we talk about slum upgrading programme. I would like the Hon. Members to look at the Governor's speech critically and see his good intentions.

Our Governor has clearly stated that he wants to improve the living conditions. He wants to provide houses that are affordable. In the slums upgrading programme the Government is trying to come up with a solution to kill the slums. If at all the Governor has this as one of his pillars, I would like to believe that other Hon. Members will also have the opportunity to invite the Governor to their areas so that the slum upgrading programme is not left to the national Government but is devolved to the County because as a County, Nairobi is greatly affected by slums.

Having looked at the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of this country as per his speech, the Governor does mention that Nairobi contributes up to 60% of the GDP and with the devolution, I believe that our country is finally being decentralized. With decentralization, Members let us try and fight together so that issues like slum upgrading can come down to the county level and we can also be properly involved in the new order. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Member for Eastleigh North Ward (Hon. Osman Adow Ibrahim): Thank you Mr. Speaker, my name is Osman from Eastleigh. I would like to take this opportunity, first, to thank the people of Eastleigh North for placing me in this historic House. I hope to represent them well. Secondly, I would like to support the Governor's speech. He has presented well all the problems of Nairobians in his speech.

I believe we will have good working relation but I would like to remind him of some of the things he missed. Specifically, he missed poverty eradication and the issue of street families. We have a lot of kids who are out of school and who are in the streets. I did not hear anything regarding this in the Governor's speech, especially, how he intends to tackle the problem or how he intends to keep the kids from the streets, may be by getting them into a rehabilitation programme. Thank you, very much.

Hon. Speaker: Order Members! I think we are proceeding well but I am not seeing the gender. Hon. Mama, come

Hon. Member for Kayole South (Ms Elizabeth Manyala): Thank you very much Mr. Speaker, for highlighting our plight. This is Elizabeth Manyala. I represent Kayole South Ward. I first, want to thank the people of Kayole South for electing me as their County Ward Representative. I also take this opportunity to thank you Mr. Speaker for your election as speaker and the Hon. Members for your being elected to be here. I congratulate you all. I congratulate also the Chief Whips and the Leaders of Majority and Minority. For the ladies who are in the House, 'kudos' to you. I thank you very much because you worked extra hard.

I also want to thank the Governor because his speech was wholesome. He highlighted seven pillars which are very close to my heart and I want to look at them chronologically. I will take number six which talks about women, children and the youth, who are dear to my heart. I really applaud him for what he has done in regard to this pillar; that is planning for sensitization and programmes that will uplift the women and empower them and the youth.

I know youth is not in our docket as seen in the fourth schedule of the Constitution but the Governor has a passion for the youth, people with disabilities and the children. This is so dear to me and I believe to the ladies here as well, that the children's rights will be encompassed in the fourth pillar of rights where their development will be taken into consideration and when I talk of pillar four of rights I am referring to development, protection, participation and survival. When I talk of survival this now comes to the elements of health and you can see that in his first pillar he is talking about health and sanitation.

By the way members, if you go to your various Wards, like where I come from, Kayole South, during the rainy season like now, children cannot participate well in terms of playing because there is waste and garbage scattered all over. Children have a right to play so that they can develop well and do well in school. If we built synergy with like-minded persons which include the private organizations and NGOs I think we will forge a good partnership that will help solve some of the problems facing Nairobianians.

I want to thank the Governor again, for looking at the welfare of Nairobianians in terms of corruption. Indeed if I quote from a philosopher named Plato who said that the human soul is divided into three parts the rational part, the spiritual part and the appetite part. In the appetite part, where 'appetite' here will stand for corruption, one that has been governing the city, we think with our stomachs because we believe it is our time to eat. When I am chosen to be a leader, I think of what I

am going to gain but here in his speech the Governor is trying to tell us that those days of thinking with your stomach are gone. It is time to work, it is not business as usual. Please, if you are entrusted with the power of oversight as Hon. Members, make sure that you serve the populace and especially the entire world of the people who elected you so that they may all live a comprehensive life. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: The Hon. Member in that corner. Please announce your name so that I can have no problem with the names next time.

Hon. Member for Kasarani Ward (Mr. Martin Waweru Gichuhi): Thank you Mr. Speaker, my name is Martin Waweru from Ngandu Ward. I would like to thank the people of Kasarani for electing me to represent them in this county Assembly. I want to comment on the Governor's speech. Most Nairobianians do not have the legal documents for their plots. May be the Governor could address how these people can get the documents because some of them fear to develop their plots after they witnessed what happened in Syokimau where demolitions took place. I think the Governor should do something about these people's issue so that we do not witness a repeat of what happened in Syokimau. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Member for Ruai Ward (Mr. Daniel Mbugua Mari): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, my name is Hon. Wamare, Ruai Ward. I congratulate H.E. the Governor on his seven pillars speech. A question lingers in my mind especially when it comes to the former Council. There are so many projects that were funded by the Council. Some of us were looking forward, as we campaigned, telling our people about how well we were going to maintain their roads, give them fresh water and establish health centres, but when the Governor was speaking, there is nowhere in his speech that he elaborated on those projects that were funded by the former Council.

I thought if the LATIF fund was done away with then the Governor should have come out clearly and told us that every project that was funded by the former council was not going to be funded by his County Government. This would have helped us to review our thinking and connect with his plan. So, I concur with what Hon. Owino said concerning those projects.

My Ward is the largest in Nairobi County and is the least developed. We have the largest sewerage system in Africa, but as Ruai residents, we do not enjoy the sewerage system services. Ruai people dig pit latrines and live in informal settlements; plots of 40 by 60 and 50 by 100 meters. Such plots cannot be approved as per the city by-laws. As such they live like internally displaced persons (IDPs) on their own land. I as a member representing the populace in Ruai would have thought the Governor would open up and talk about the marginalized Wards in Nairobi. Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir.

Hon. Member for Eastleigh South Ward (Mr. Nelson Masiga): Bwana Speaker, kwanza ninakurudishia shukurani. Kwa majina, mimi ni Masiga Nelson, ninawakilisha Eastleigh Kusini. Namrudishia Daktari Gavana shukurani za dhati kwa vile aliweza kuchambua, kueleza na kutupatia dhamira yake ya mwongozo wa Nairobi. Mimi niliweza kushawishika na kukubaliana naye katika yale

yote aliyoweza kuyasema. Aliweza kuguzia Nyanja mbalimbali kukiwemo elimu kwa watoto wachanga na maswala ya afya.

Kwa sababu eneo langu ni kijiji na vijiji ni tupu, afya katika eneo langu ni mbovu. Mimi niliweza kuchuchuzika nikasema kwamba ni mimi ninayeuhitaji msaada huo. Vile vile nikaona amezungumzia mambo ya mazingara, mambo ya taka na mambo ya huduma.

Nauangalia mji wa Nairobi; unapofika hapa mjini, unapata shida kubwa upande wa usafiri. Naamini alivyozungumzia mambo ya usafiri ni kwamba ataweza kuuboresha. Alitilia mkazo juu ya makao, ni vipi watu wetu wanaweza pewa makao bora na ambayo si ya gharama ya juu. Alizungumzia vile vile juu ya vipi watu wetu wanaweza kupata maji maana maji ni uhai.

Unapata kwamba aliweza kuzungumzia utendakazi wa wale watu ambao wanafanya kazi katika serikali ya jiji la Nairobi, yakwamba ataweza kuangalia utendakazi wao kwa kuwapa mafunzo ambayo wanahitaji. Mimi nasema yakwamba hakuna king'aacho kisichokuwa na dosari. Kidogo nilipata alikosa katika mazungumzo yake, kuhusisha na kutambua uwezo-muundo-msingi wa vijana unaohitajika.

Katika ile dhamira yake angeweza kutambua yakwamba kuna vijana ambao wanapata mapato yao kwa miigizo na michezo. Ningependa atilie maanani mambo ya michezo na uigizaji wa sanaa na vijana. Kwa sababu mji huu una viwanja vinavyoweza kunyakuliwa. Tunataka hivi viwanja viweze kurudishwa ili vijana wetu wapate mahali pa kujenga vipawa na vipaji vyao. Shukurani, Bwana Speaker.

Hon. Member for Nairobi South Ward (Mr. Manoah Karega Mboku): Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir, my name is Hon. Manoah Karega Mboku, representing Nairobi South Ward in Starehe Constituency. I would like to thank the people of South B for re-electing me to represent them in this House. I would like to highlight a few things regarding the Governor's speech: first, I must congratulate him for highlighting the most important areas like infrastructure where he mentioned that in his five year term he would like to see Nairobians enjoying good roads. He also talked about introducing the metropolitan police to replace the defunct City Council Inspectorate, which I believe will improve security and enforcement of by-laws in the city.

He also mentioned education especially early childhood development where he said he would as much as he improves education, emphasize more on early childhood because the development of childhood is the foundation for future education.

The Governor also talked about the high level of unemployment in the city, which I felt also affects the people of South B where there is a big area of slums. If he covers this area, then insecurity in the city will drop.

He also mentioned corruption in the city where as you have seen, he has started cracking down on corrupt officers within the County (*Applause*). I would like him to continue with that especially where there is a lot of money wasted or misused by corrupt officers.

Mr. Governor also to talked about tourism and how he would improve the sector. We realize tourism is a key sector as far as national revenue is concerned. He promised to improve it and I concur with him that if we have this sector improved then our revenue will go up.

However he forgot to talk about the street children and the high level of the mentally disturbed persons in the city. The numbers of street children and the mentally disturbed have continued to increase in the city. I would like him to take measures to curb street children and see to the welfare of the mentally disturbed. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Member for Parklands/Highridge Ward (Mr. Jeffer Kassam): Thank you 'Bwana' Speaker, I would like to commend H. E. the Governor Dr. Kidero and echo his sentiments regarding the Hon. Members of this legislative arm of his Government. He mentioned that we all come from different party affiliations and this should not influence the decisions we make. He observed that this was natural but said at any point such issues come up we should with full decorum look at the interest of the people who elected us.

For example I was elected from Parklands/Highridge. I come from an Asian community and all my voters are not Asians. They come from a cross-section of all Kenyans and they cut across all the parties. So, it will be my desire that every time such things come up we forget our party affiliations and look at the welfare of the wananchi.

Secondly, there are projects which have stalled or which are very slow. The Governor talked about the trade, yet we have a very big market within Westlands which has taken over seven years to be completed. It is my request to this him and his Government that he looks at this to make sure we complete the market's construction so that our constituents can enjoy prosperity in business. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: I can see we are a little bit tired. We can have the Hon. Member who has just stood.

Hon. Member for Upper Savannah Ward (Mr. Benson Amutavi Ligavoh): Thank you Mr. Speaker. First, I would like to congratulate all the Hon. Members in this Assembly for making it to this august House. I also thank my constituents of Upper Savannah Ward for electing me as their County Representative. The Governor's speech was marvelous and we really appreciate having got someone who is a manager to be our Governor for Nairobi County.

The Governor touched on how he would clear traffic jams. For us, the people of Eastlands, we would like the Governor to try and get appropriate means of clearing the traffic jams because we are really suffering. You can get out of your house at six o'clock in the morning but it is very unfortunate that you will get to town at 10.00a.m and this is because we have only one road outlet, which is Jogoo Road. So I think the Governor should at least look into this mess.

Secondly, I didn't hear the Governor talk about disaster management. It is very difficult for us especially for the people who live in slums like me. When it rains in our areas, because we border

immediately the Nairobi River, all the drainages are directed through the slums to the river. The drainages are not built of stone and water knows no bounds. Water is like an elephant, if it was passing here 20 years ago and you build a house in its path, it will still pass through the same path it used to pass. So, I think Hon. Members we will have to join hands, both the Jubilee and the CORD sides, to compare notes about Nairobi, put down some laws and hand over to the Governor a few solutions with regard to Nairobi County. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Member for Kware Ward (Mr. Kennedy Ng'ondi): Thank you, Mr. Speaker; the Governor's speech has received all the compliments. But aside from the Governor's speech, I think it was a great privilege too, to have received two hours ago a delegation from the United States of America, people who came all the way from Denver city.

If you can recall the partnership between Nairobi City Council, Africities and other cities of Africa, we did have some exchange programme. If I can remind you, we had one of the Denver city garden just next to the Cassino along Waiyaki way. But when the highway was developed I think the garden was interfered with. In our past Council meeting we did pass a resolution to relocate the Denver City garden so that it can continue to create awareness of the kind of relationship we are having with the international community.

On the Governor's speech, he happened to mention Nairobi being uplifted to secure a position in one of the most senior places in the UN Habitat, joining the likes of Denver City and Geneva. This cannot only happen on paper but we need to demonstrate it by ensuring that Nairobi gets the facelift it deserves as indicated in the Governor's speech.

Mr. Speaker, I beg to bring to the attention of the members of this Assembly the fact that everything has totally changed. The manner in which we are going to conduct the business of this House is going to make us either succeed or not succeed. The Hon. Members I think it is not in order to come into the House with a fixed mind on issues that are related to the business of this House. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Member for Komarock Ward (Mr. Samwel Irungu Mwangi): Mr. Speaker my name is Samwel Irungu Mwangi representing Komarock Ward. I take this opportunity to thank the people of Komarock for giving me this opportunity to represent them in this Assembly. Nairobi people have been desperate for many years. The place I come from is as if it is a place of 'wealthy people'. I come from a place where there are slums and people are living in a total mess.

If the speech of H. E. the Governor is the trend to go by, then there is light at the end of the tunnel for Nairobi County. The Governor has highlighted areas that touch on the people's rights as per the Constitution; issues of health, sanitation and housing. I hope that the Governor is going to bring to this august Assembly, able men of the executive arm that will be able to articulate things correctly.

However the speech was mean in some areas that are pertinent to the rights of Nairobians. One such right is the provision of emergency services. I would have thought that he would have

articulated measures to mitigate against poor roads especially the place I come from. Potholes are all over and it is tedious for people to come to their places of work. This is an issue that is bringing a lot of disquiet on the ground.

The issue of the Provincial Administration is another. Currently in our wards, the chiefs are performing roles that are a duplication of the work we are supposed to be doing. The Hon. Members would attest to the fact that the chiefs are all over the place trying to allocate land and hold meetings.

As such the issues of transition have to be handled with a lot of care. I expected the Governor to articulate his role more explicitly because the county Government Act has envisaged we are going to have county administration and sub-county administration. I would have wished the Governor talk about how the issues are going to be handled and how he expects us as a County Assembly to act on issues of legislation. There is what we call the transition; looking at the services and what is going on, we need to have a very clear transitional arrangement as far as delivery of services is concerned. For instance, there was an advert announcing that from July, the department concerned with transport in the former City Council, as well as the firefighting and emergency department should have been transferred by July 2013.

However, all said and done, I want to second this policy paper. If this is anything to go by, there is light at the end of the tunnel. Thank you.

Hon. Member for Waithaka Ward (Mr. Anthony Karanja): Thank so much, Mr. Speaker, my name is Anthony Karanja. I would like to say that I have heard a lot of compliments about the Governor's speech. I too concur that it was quite good especially the part on ethnicity, which a lot of offices in this country would want to shy away from. That has been just relations in the city. H. E. the Governor went ahead and gave us things that he is going to do to enhance harmony and they include enhancing security, creating employment, employment programmes involving modern technology, street lights, increasing policing amongst others. I am having a problem in understanding how these measures are going to harmonize our ethnic composition in the city where I think it is evident that we are very divided.

I would like to comment about management of resources which have been bestowed upon us Nairobians. First, I would like to say that it is good that the Governor acknowledges that there is very low staff morale. For those of us who have taken time to ask questions in our specific Wards and at the city hall itself, I think it is very difficult to maintain high staff morale without payment. Majority of the staff has complained of not having been paid for the past two months and I thought there was going to be a strike this week. However, may be that that was sorted that's why they are not on strike.

From the Governor's speech I have noted some remarks which are very good for example having the right people to do the right job in their respective portfolios. However I think we are missing the point of training the people on the job to do the job that they are holding today. I have spoken to a few people and they are living in fear of being replaced by the so called right people.

However, I would also like to comment about the Ksh800 million wage bill every month. I appreciate that the Governor observed that it was arrived at after an agreement between the staff and the city Council. As we look at that I would wish that it will not be used to intimidate or interfere with the workings of city council or county council as it is going to be known.

Finally I would like to commend on the better management of resources. I was going through Ladhies road the other day and I believe I met a few of the Members there. We found out that a tractor was not working because the spare parts were costing Ksh10, 000. I believe some of the staff members are living in fear of incurring any expenses. As we tighten the loopholes of corruption let us also weigh the cost of the same. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Member for South C Ward (Ms Dianah Kapeen): My name is Dianah Kapeen from South C Ward. I congratulate the Speaker for his election. I would also like to congratulate the governor for his well researched speech. I thank the Governor although I am a bit skeptical because when he addressed us he addressed us in the period of rains. When you watch the news most of the times when there are rains the most affected areas of Nairobi include South C where I come from. You will see cars submerged. There is poor network of drainage in South C.

The Governor has talked about infrastructure but he has not said how he is going to deal with the perennial floods that have become a tradition in Nairobi. Again I did not here him mention anything to do with the new Wards. Most of us especially somebody like me I have been elected in a new Ward. We do not know who works in the Wards, who is the new manager of the new Wards and how he intends to achieve what he wants. The Ward representative of the people of South C has no place to work and has no idea when and where the offices shall be set up.

More or less I want to support his speech because it touches on many positive issues of Nairobi and I look forwards for the bills that he said he will bring to the House. I hope to work with him to make Nairobi a better place. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: I can conclude, Hon. Members, from observation that the number of Members wishing to speak has reduced. So, we will take a few more minutes and close debate for the day. Hon. Member

Hon. Member for Makongeni Ward (Mr. Peter Imwatok): Mr. Speaker, I apologize for wanting to speak at the beginning when I was seconding the motion. I now have the opportunity to speak. For those who do not know, me my name is Peter Imwatok, the simplest is Jateso. I am the most privileged man in this County Assembly and I am the most unlikely person to be here. I was lucky enough to be the only Teso elected in Nairobi. It is a privilege. It is an honour and more so from the people of Makongeni and Mbotela Ward. I appreciate them for having confidence in me and electing me.

I want to put a few issues across with regard to the Governor's speech. I want to thank him for being precise in the points. He brought to the attention of this House and the entire Nairobi the issue of

the young people. When we talk about employment it does not mean we are going to take everybody to the Industrial Area or Nairobi County organizational structural employment. What I believe the Governor was very categorical about is that he is going to provide opportunity for all the young people of Nairobi.

I want to say that the issue of decentralizing resources and employment opportunities should start from the county employment service Board. We should be able to understand how these employment opportunities are given. I have just heard a member saying it should not be an opportunity to intimidate some but I want to concur with the governor that this county has to be restructured in all manner of essence in terms of employment and allocation of resources.

I am sorry when I came to this House I went to an office and was really perturbed that the entire office was manned by one community. I was standing there waiting to be served. But when my colleague came speaking one particular language, he was served before me, simply because I could not speak that language. It was so disturbing. I think the Governor should take up necessary steps to nationalize every office in the county.

On the same note I want to speak about what the Governor said on the issue of devolution which speaks volumes about the financial bit of Nairobi, in particular Eastlands, where I come from. I come from Makongeni Ward, I live in a 10 by 10 feet house. I know what it takes to be rained on. It is a pity that when you are fast asleep at night, the rain flood waters sweep through your house and upon waking up in the morning the rain you find your bed is halfway submerged in water. What I want to put across is that these are social class communities. We live in the city council houses or currently county houses. The statistics confirm that many of the tenants of these houses do not pay rent.

Ask yourself how a tenant of such a house can pay rent where there are no service delivered? The pathetic state of the houses has turned Eastlands more or less into a slum yet it was not initially a slum. So, with regard to the Governor's speech, I will personally oppose bills touching on any payment of arrears on rentals. I will move a bill to scrap all the arrears owed by the residents of Eastlands from Makongeni, Kaloleni, Mbotela, Hamsa and Maringo, because these houses are social class houses.

You will find that a tenant owes the city council Ksh 40,000 out of a monthly rent of Ksh 900. It is injustice for this person to be subjected to torture at this point by the Nairobi County to pay Ksh 40,000 which he inherited from a grandparent. I beg to submit that as the Governor brings his bills I will move a motion substantively on the same that all the arrears paid on all social class houses be scrapped off. It should be treated like an executive order the Governor will give to Nairobians for electing him.

Thirdly, I want to appreciate the issue of water. Water is the biggest challenge we have in Nairobi. Those who are staying in Muthaiga, Kileleshwa and Karen are privileged because some have boreholes. Others have cars to transport water from their offices, but in Eastlands in particular, a lot of water is going to waste due to vandalism. Many people have resorted to vandalism. Our young people are idle. I want us to reflect on an issue which I feel the Governor failed to address in his speech. If

30% of the development budget is going to the development agenda what is this 30% which is going to your Ward? For example in my Ward the Ward manager's office has only four members of staff manning a ward of 38,000 people. This staff is inadequate. All the sewer lines are blocked and I expect it is high time the Governor addressed the issue of decentralization of staff to the Ward level.

In addition to what my colleague has just spoken with regard to the Chiefs and the Assistant Chiefs, I think I am the president of my Ward because I was elected by a majority and I am answerable to them. It is time the devolution Act was followed to the letter. I am looking forward to bringing a motion to this House which will define the roles so that all the staff under my Ward will report to me just more or less as all the county staff is going to report to the Governor. Because by doing so I will have the power and authority to know who works and who does not work, without wasting a lot of time.

May be, I will add a few words tomorrow. I want to encourage this House by saying that even if we may differ ideologically please do not take it personal it is just about ideas, let it not extend beyond the door of this House just as the Standing Orders state. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Member for Umoja II Ward (Mr. Kingsley Odida): Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir, for finally noticing me. I am Kingsley Odida County Representative from Umoja II Ward. First, I would like to congratulate you on your election and indeed the Members of the County Assembly of Nairobi, the Interim and very able clerk and his team. I will be very brief because much has been said by my fellow colleagues. On the Governor's speech I would like to pin point three issues that caught my eye.

First, I am impressed by the way he started by recognizing us as the legislative part of his County Government and him representing the executive. Secondly, he also talked about each member putting aside party affiliation and working for the good of Nairobi. The Governor laid out his strategy and plans for the city of Nairobi during his five years term.

What really caught my attention was a plan to stick to the law and the legal provisions as well as the Constitutional Acts that will indeed help in running our Assembly. He talked about the Vision 2030 blue print with a view of putting his plans in line with the same. He also talked about the Millenium Development Goals which all members agree are pointers in running most of the developing economies in the world. The other issue the Governor highlighted was corruption. I think he came out clearly and we have seen that in his first few days in office he has really tried to deal with the big issue that is corruption in this city.

The other issue I would like to touch on is security. We all agree that security forms a major part of development. The Governor was very clear on this issue. He talked about establishing a metro-police after consultations with the national Government.

What I think he may have missed as a fellow member mentioned is the issue of street children. This has been a thorn in the flesh of the city of Nairobi. As we are talking now, you will all agree that the street families are back in the streets. Solving the street family problem will require long term

measures. I think this was not clearly articulated in the Governor's speech. Thank you, Mr. Speaker for this opportunity.

Hon. Member for Mlango Kubwa Ward (Mr. Andrew Mbau): Thank you, Mr. Speaker: My name is Andrew Mbau. I represent Mlango Kubwa Ward in Mathare Constituency. I do concur that the Governor's address was very expeditiously researched and it touches on all aspects affecting Nairobians, but due to the fact that no one has a monopoly of knowledge, I wish to bring some issues to your attention.

I wish to highlight some points in regard to the last part on corruption. It is worth to note that during the previous council; most of the payments that were made especially to lawyers were fictitious. We need to overhaul the previous panel of advocates who have never won a single case for the Nairobi City Council, in respect to the Governor's concern on corruption.

The Governor also gave highlights on urban farming. He said that the current by-laws only allow us to keep lizards. I wish to say this; he should tread very carefully on urban farming especially because a large percentage of urban farming is done using sewer water for irrigation and whichever way we may look at it, that our people are doing this to fight poverty, sewer water has a lot of carcinogenic components.

The Governor acknowledged the fact that 60% of Nairobians live in informal settlements. A major contributor to this is the question of land ownership. I think we need a solution for this especially in my area where we have absentee landlords. The Governor can approach International Financiers to provide financial aid at low interest rates to allow the County to buy those lands with a view to upgrading our slums so that our current inhabitants of slums will permanently own the upgraded houses at an affordable cost.

It is good that the Governor talked about security where he will require building owners to provide security lighting for their buildings and I totally agree with him. On the issue of water, it is a pity that we now have a lot of water but come 'Lanina' and we will have water scarcity. I wish to suggest that we decree that before the County Council gives authority for construction of any building, the owner must demonstrate how he is going to harvest water to curb the perennial water shortage that we experience every now and then.

With respect to the Governor's concern for women and children, we need to set aside an amount of money, say one billion that should be given at low interest rates to target groups of youth and women. This way we will be fighting poverty that has seriously hit our youth and we will make them our big resource.

With regard to health I think we should decide that Kenyatta National Hospital, Mathare Hospital and Spinal Injury Hospital remain National Hospitals while Mama Lucy Kibaki Hospital and Pumwani Hospital should be the Nairobi County referral hospitals. Pumwani is our baby and so are the

other hospitals in the County. Adequate resources should be set aside towards improvement of our health care services.

When it comes to constituting the Nairobi Health management Board let us put into consideration the involvement of the Hon. Members. The Hon. Members should be represented because they are concerned with the well-being of their people. On the other aspect touching on early childhood education, I would like to say that every primary school should have a pre-unit, a pre-primary and nursery classes. That's all.

Hon. Member: Thank you Mr. Speaker, at long last you have seen me. I have been standing many times without you noticing me yet I have a big body like yours. I am now worn out. I greatly congratulate H. E. the Governor and all the members of the Assembly. There is one aspect I will look at, an aspect which the Hon. Members have ignored.

We must first of all see where we will source money then spend. That is the biggest aspect in economic management. Because I am an economist I believe I have to source then spend. The Governor has clearly said in his speech that he is trying to consolidate money. Money must be consolidated from the County of Nairobi before we receive the portion from the National kitty. All the members of the County must generate a revenue source so that we can support the Governor.

Nairobi County has so many sources of income. In the first instance, we can generate income from rates and I believe the rates in Nairobi have not been exhaustively explored. You will find some landlords and land owners who do not pay rates. At one stage we should find the best method of issuing title deeds to land owners so that they may pay rates.

Secondly, we must supply water to all areas in the County so that people may pay for water. We don't get water rates yet my Ward relies mostly on borehole water and those who stay in Eastlands know and the Hon. Member from Ruai can also attest to this. We have so many people who are staying in Eastlands and they are willing to pay for the water but the Council is absolutely unable to supply the water.

Thirdly, the owners of land in the Eastlands have no title deeds. The Governor should look for a method that we can employ to collect this income and spend. Each Member would like to develop his Ward, but where will the income be generated from? You must assist the Governor to generate this income then he can distribute it equitably with regard to how the income has been generated. I will not talk very much because I am an economist and I believe in contributing on specific issues. Thank you very much.

Hon. Member for Pipeline Ward (Mr. Samwel Kagithi Mwangi): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I am Samwel Kagithi Mwangi. I want first, to thank the people of Pipeline. I also wish to congratulate you and the Hon. Members for being elected. I want to join hands with my fellow colleague who complained about the new constituencies. I am one of the people who represent one of the new Wards and we are finding difficulties not knowing where to start. We don't know which office to start from or who should

explain to us what has been going on and in what manner. We need a better address and to be told how to handle some issues like the projects which have been ongoing in the larger Wards before the Wards were sub-divided.

I want to touch on a single issue and my concern is about transport. It is the second issue that the Governor talked about in his speech and we appreciate the fact that he elaborated on how he intends to change the transport system in Nairobi. He talked about expansion of the existing highways, roads and building of new roads. Last week we saw the World Bank giving the Governor Ksh 3 billion for expansion of roads but there is something we need which I want to specifically point out.

If you look at the roads to the city, you will appreciate that the roads at the centre of the city cannot be expanded. What needs to be done especially, if you take a look at the roads outside the city, is to establish order for the vehicles. I want to give a practical example. If you move along Ronald Ngala Road from Tom Mboya junction you will find the Githurai buses blocking the road near Ronald Ngala Post Office. It is a nightmare especially if you are driving, heading towards Nairobi River. You take hours to move from that point because vehicles block the way to pick passengers. If you look keenly you will observe that the vehicles obstruct others blocking the road intentionally while they wait for other vehicles to clear from the parking so that they can also park.

That's why I am saying we need action to show the difference between the previous regime of the Nairobi City Council where corrupt 'askaris' would just collect money and allow the vehicles to park in the middle of roads blocking other motorists from moving, and our new regime that is talking about removing traffic jams in Nairobi.

I believe if we only restore order in most parts of the city, movement of vehicles will be much easier on the routes. If you move close to the city you will find the roads completely open. If order is restored on the roads outside the city, I believe we will have easier movement of traffic in the city. I believe most of the jams are self-created and can be removed only if order is maintained. The people of Eastlands are the most affected and we are the first people to complain when it comes to traffic jams. If you go to Lang'ata road you won't find this kind of thing happening. I think we need quick action.

Some police officers who man the roads are found standing on the roads doing nothing other than collecting about Ksh 200 for protection from every vehicle. Vehicles which pay are then allowed to pick passengers anywhere and anyhow they feel like. You will find up to five police officers just standing around and doing nothing. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: order Members! Hon. Members, pursuant to order number 27, I hereby adjourn the House to tomorrow morning at the County Chambers to pave way, tomorrow, for the budget discussions to be held at this venue. This has been necessitated by the events in earlier motions.

I am calling upon both parties to prepare and hand over the lists of committee members to the Clerk because we will have no business in this House until that is done. I would like to ask the Leader

of Majority, the Leader of Minority and the Chief Whips to move with speed and get those lists before you retire, so that it can be worked on tomorrow morning to be used as we move on.

We will go ahead tomorrow with the deliberations on the address of H. E. the Governor. I would like to ask Members after this to proceed to the Clerk's office to get your car stickers. I want to let you know that these stickers are not transferable. The stickers are only for Members of the County Assembly of Nairobi. These are not the same as the stickers you used to get in the old Council that you could give to a friend. These as we said earlier, when we had our informal meeting, are provided because of security reasons. From tomorrow your parking will be clearly marked and any vehicles parked without stickers will be towed at your expense. So it is important that you take note because of the security concerns you raised.

You will also arrange with the Clerk for your business cards. Don't print your own business cards out there because you do not know which logo to use. The Clerk of the Assembly will arrange for you to have business cards.

We will have a meeting with the County Assembly Service Board and the Director of the City Inspectorate to discuss the security of Members. That is in regard to parking at our own risk. That is all and I want to thank you most sincerely for welcoming the delegates from Denver City. We will continue to communicate with Denver City, with a view of forging ahead with our relationship. Thank you.

(The House rose at 5.30 p.m)