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NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

OFFICIAL REPORT

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The House met at 2.30pm

(The Deputy Speaker in the Chair)

PRAYERS

PAPERS LAID

The following documents were laid on the table:

- a) The estimates of the Recurrent and Development expenditure of the Nairobi City County Service Board
- b) The third report of the Procedure and Rules Committee on amendments to the Standing Orders of the Nairobi City County Assembly

MESSAGES

Hon. Deputy Speaker (Mr. Kennedy Ng'ondi): Hon. Members, we have received messages from the office of H.E. the Governor of Nairobi, Dr. Evans Kidero about the appointment of the Head of the County Public Service and Secretary to the Nairobi City County Executive Committee.

Hon. Members there is a message from the Governor. Standing Order number 39(1) relating to messages from the Governor that provides the Speaker to read to the County Assembly any message from the Governor delivered to the Speaker for communication to the County Assembly.

In this regard Hon. Members I wish to convey the message from the Governor, whose information and subject being the nomination of Ms Lilian Ndegwa as the Head of County Public Service and Secretary

to the Nairobi City County Executive Committee. The message was submitted by way of letter dated 6th May 2013 addressed to the office of the Speaker for onward communication to the County Assembly. I hereby read:

“Pursuant to the provisions of Section 44(1),(2) and 58 of the County Government Act, I hereby nominate Ms Lilian W. Ndegwa as Head of the County Public Service and Secretary to the Nairobi City County Executive.” Hon. Members according to Section 44(2b) of the County Government Act, I refer the name to the Committee on Appointment for further deliberations. Thank you.

Hon. Leader of Majority (Mr. Elias Otieno): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I would like to lay the following papers on the table of the House today, Thursday 30th May 2013; the estimates of the Recurrent and Development expenditure of the Nairobi City County Service Board and the third report of the Procedure and Rules Committee on amendments to the Standing Orders of the Nairobi City County Assembly. So, I beg to lay the papers on the table. Thank you.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Hon. Leader of Majority: Mr. Speaker sir, I beg to give notice of the following motion, that this House adopts the third report of the Procedure and Rules Committee on amendments to the Standing Orders of the Nairobi City County Assembly, laid on the table of the Assembly today, Thursday 30th May 2013. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

NOTICE- MOTION ON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

Hon. Member for Sarang’ombe Ward (Mr. Pius Otieno): Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity. I rise to give notice of the following motion, that **AWARE** that refuse, dumps and solid waste disposal in Nairobi County remains a serious issue and poses environmental hazards to the people of Nairobi City County; **NOTING** in particular that collection is an employment and investment opportunity to huge refuse collectors; **ACKNOWLEDGING** that Nairobi City County produces huge chunks of solid waste and refuse coupled with below capacity and inadequate manpower to handle refuse and solid waste; this Assembly urges the City County Government to remove all bottlenecks existing in the garbage collection industry and ensure that there is full and enabling framework to facilitate youth groups initiatives and companies managing the youth solid waste and refuse collection are contracted alongside private refuse collectors. Thank you.

NOTICE- MOTION ON SAFETY AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT IN INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS

Hon. Pius Otieno: Motion number two: **AWARE** that over 55% of the residents of Nairobi City County live in the informal settlements that are poorly planned with inadequate basic infrastructure, who by either omission or commission are denied basic services and **COGNIZANT** of the fact that these settlements are prone to fire outbreaks and other disasters which have led to massive losses of life and property, this Assembly urges the Government of Nairobi City County to immediately equip all Wards with informal settlements, with minimum firefighting equipment, facilities for rescue, evacuation and recovery

and further identify community members per Ward to be trained in firefighting and disaster management skills. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

NOTICE- MOTION ON WARD DEVELOPMENT FUND

Hon. Chief Whip of Minority (Mr. Athman Hashim): Mr. Speaker on the same note I wish to give notice of the following motion, **WHEREAS** the Ward Development Fund is to be allocated to the Wards through the County Assembly respective committees, **AND WHEREAS** the ward development committee is responsible for managing of the funds for the proposed projects within the wards from the list submitted to the secretary of the committee, **NOTING** that these projects are community based including environmental activities considered as development projects, **AWARE** that Section 48 of the County Act provides for the decentralization of the county services to the Wards, **CONCERNED** that people are experiencing hardships due to stalled projects earlier funded through LASDAP at a cost of seven million shillings per Ward, this Assembly urges the County Government to establish the Ward Development Fund for the Financial Year 2013/2014 at a budget of ten million shillings per Ward to be deducted from the Constituency Development Fund.

NOTICE – MOTION ON LANGATA CEMETERY

Hon. Member for Kabiro Ward (Mr. Clarence Munga): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to move a private motion which reads “ **WHEREAS** Lang’ata cemetery was established in 1956 in Nairobi measuring 117 acres under the management of the defunct City Council of Nairobi and **AWARE** that the cemetery was reported full by the year 1996, thus necessitating of recycling of old graves and burying of the bodies in three layers henceforth noting that the cemetery now belongs to the Nairobi County and alternative burial site needs to be identified as a matter of urgency, **AWARE** that between the years 2005 and 2007 the funds allocated by the Government for the purpose were misappropriated and somebody charged in court, **CONCERNED** that lack of a public health cemetery poses a health hazard to the residents of Nairobi City County, this Assembly urges the County Government to declare that the Lang’ata cemetery is full and urgently identify a new suitable burial ground. Thank you.

REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS

REQUEST- STATEMENT ON NYAYO HOUSE AND OFFICE OF DEPUTY PRESIDENT PARKING AREAS

Hon. Chief Whip of Minority: Mr. Speaker pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order number 41(1c) and I quote; “A member may request for a statement from the Committee chairperson relating to matters under the mandate of the Committee and the Speaker may either appoint a day for the statement or direct that the statement be issued on the same day.” I am therefore requesting for a statement from the Chair, Transport and Public Works as regards the following; first, we paid parking fees for the parking behind the Office of the Deputy President and another time for the parking behind Intercontinental Hotel, which I understand is being collected by a private company. I am therefore requesting for a statement from the chair of the Transport and Public Works Committee as to the following:

1. Who are the people collecting the parking fees?
2. Are they collecting on behalf of the Nairobi City County? If so why were they given the authority to do so when we have enough parking attendants/workforce in the City?
3. If they are not collecting on the County's behalf, what does the County benefit from this?
4. Is there a contracting agreement as to the collection of the parking fees/charges? If yes can we have the contract tabled?

I request another statement too from the Transport and Public Works Chair. There is currently, ongoing development along Nanyuki Road by a private developer. It seems the land which belongs to Nairobi City Council has been sub-divided.

I would like to be informed the following:

1. Whether the land has been allocated to the private developer
2. To whom the land has been allocated to (**name**)
3. For what purpose the allocation was done
4. If leased, can the lease agreement be tabled?

Thirdly, I have seen matatus parked in the morning outside City Hall Annex. Sometimes parked with the permission of the car park attendants and at times they ferry the Debt Collection Unit officers as well as the eviction squads and licensing officers. I request a statement from the Chair, Transport and Public Works as to:

1. Who are the owners of the matatus?
2. How much does the County pay for the hiring of the matatus?
3. Are they contracted, and if so can we have the contracts tabled?

(Applause)

REQUEST- STATEMENT ON COUNTY FLAG, EMBLEM AND SEAL

Hon. Member for Mwiki Ward (Mr. Isaac Njoroge Ngige): I rise to seek a statement from the Chairman, Justice and Legal Committee under Standing Order number 41 (1c), concerning the Flag and Emblem Act;

1. Are you aware that Section 4 of the County Government Act provides that every County shall have; a County flag, County Court of Arms and a public Seal?
2. Are you also aware that the Act further provides that County Executives shall develop symbols of County identity through a consultative process for approval by the County Assembly by legislation?
3. In view of the above what efforts have the Executive taken to that effect? And how soon will this be achieved?

This is a matter which is delaying Members of this Assembly from getting their business cards, issuance of identity cards, letterheads and also denying our Hon. Speaker from flying the County flag.

Hon. Member for Dandora Area III (Mr. Charles Thuo): Mr. Speaker, there is a Hon. Member who is not well dressed in the House.

Hon. Pius Otieno: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity. If you leave this incident to go without sanctions, it will set a wrong precedence in this House that even Hon. Members cannot dress well in this House. This is an honourable House, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order Members! You have communicated to the chair. Order Member! Take your seat! Thank you, Hon. Members. It has been brought to my attention that there is a Hon. Member who is not properly dressed. Fortunately he has just got a tie. Now Member you can go out and come back in 10 minutes. Thank you.

REQUEST – STATEMENT ON THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF

Hon. Leader of Minority (Mr. Abdi I. Hassan): Mr. Speaker sir, I rise pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order number 41(1c). I wish to ask for the following statement from the chairman of the Labour and Social Services Committee. As you are aware, in the City County of Nairobi, we have a public office which is known as the City County Service. In the provisions of the County Government Act.....
(*Interruption*)

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order Member! The Member right in front of me, who has just crossed the floor of the House, please you must have decorum. Can you go to the far end of the House, bow and then cross? Thank you.

Hon. Leader of Minority: As you are aware, I seek a statement on the following:

1. What is the job description of the Chief of Staff?
2. How much is he remunerated?
3. What is his qualification?

As you understand the said County Chief of Staff has already poked his nose in all matters of this county including this House. It is a very urgent matter and we need your direction on this, Mr. Speaker sir.

Hon. Member for Kayole South Ward (Ms Elizabeth Manyala): Mr. Speaker, is it in order for the Member to use the word 'poking the nose'? Is it in order Mr. Speaker?

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order Members! Hon. Member it seems the language you have used is not conducive to the environment in the House.

Hon. Leader of Minority: Mr. Speaker, let me remove the word 'poking' and include 'intruding in all the affairs of this County'.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Okay Members, I just want to pass a message to this House that, it was just may be lack of knowledge of our Standing Orders, that I allowed you to move the motions you have just placed before the honourable House. While regarding Standing Order number 43 and 44 on notice of motion, and here I will read so that you don't make the same mistake again; *"This Part shall apply to all Motions, including special Motions (1) Except as otherwise provided by these Standing Orders, notice shall be given by a Member of any Motion which the Member or Committee proposes to move. (2) Before giving notice of Motion, the Member shall deliver to the Clerk a copy of the proposed Motion in writing and signed by the Member; and the Clerk shall submit the proposed Motion to the Speaker."* Members, am I clear? Thank you very much.

Hon. Members, Standing Order number 41 during statement hour (c) *"A member may request for a statement from the Committee chairperson relating to matters under the mandate of the Committee and the Speaker may either appoint a day for the statement or direct that the statement be issued on the same day."*

The Members who have risen on account of statements, I hereby give directive to all the chairmen of the following Committees; Justice and Legal, Transport and Public Works and Labour and Social Services to go and prepare statements related to the questions raised on the floor and a date shall be set when the same will be communicated to the Members for further deliberations. Thank you.

MOTION

MOTION – ADOPTION OF THE THIRD REPORT OF THE PROCEDURE AND RULES COMMITTEE

Hon. Leader of Majority: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I beg to move the following motion order number eight that pursuant to the Standing Order number 235(5) that this Assembly approves the entire third report of the Procedure and Rules amendments to the Standing Orders. The amendments are:

1. That the Appointments Committee, Standing Order number 185, to consist of a total of **ten (10) Members** with the Speaker as the Chairperson, the Leader of Majority Party, the Leader of Minority Party and not more than **seven (7) other Members** nominated by the County Assembly Business Committee on the basis of proportional party membership in the County Assembly;
2. That the composition of Select Committees; under Standing Order number 158, where membership had not been defined, to consist of **fifteen (15) Members** each;
3. That the County Budget and Appropriation Committee; Standing Order number 187(2) shall consist of a **chairperson** and not more than **twelve (12)** other members who shall not be chairpersons of Sectoral Committee;
4. That under the Appointment of of Sectoral Committees, Standing Order number 191(1); the sectoral committees to comprise of fifteen (15) Members each who shall be nominated by the County Assembly Business Committee in consultation with the County assembly parties;

5. That under the Sectoral Committees, culture and community services the mandate of the committee was corrected to include all matters related to cultural activities, public entertainment and public amenities, including betting, casinos and other forms of gambling, racing, liquor licensing, cinemas, video shows and hiring, libraries, museums, cultural activities and facilities and county parks, beaches and recreation facilities; fire fighting services and disaster management, control of drugs and pornography, ensuring and coordinating the participation of communities and locations in governance at the local level and assisting communities and locations to develop the administrative capacity for the effective exercise of the functions and powers and participation in governance at the local level;
6. That the Labour and Social Services sectoral committee's mandate be corrected to include all matters related to labour, trade union relations, manpower or human resource planning, gender and social welfare, youth, National Youth Service, children's welfare, national heritage, and **sports activities and facilities**;
7. That the Agriculture, Environment and Natural Resources Sectoral Committee's mandate be corrected to include all matters related to agriculture, including crop and animal control and welfare, including licensing of dogs and facilities for accommodation, care and burial of animals, animal husbandry, livestock sale yards, county abattoirs, plant and animal disease control and fisheries; implementation of specific national government policies on natural resources and environmental conservation, including soil and water conservation and forestry and control of air pollution, noise pollution, and other public nuisances and outdoor advertising.

I beg to be seconded by the Leader of Minority.

Hon. Leader of Minority: Mr. Speaker sir, I rise to second the motion and urge this honourable House to pass it. Thank you.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, I wish to propose the question that pursuant to the provisions of Standing Orders 235(5) this Assembly approves the third report of the County Assembly Procedure and Rules Committee on amendments to the Standing Orders. Hon. Manyala.

Hon. Elizabeth Manyala: Mr. Speaker sir, I beg to dispute the proposal... *(Interruption)*

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order Hon. Member! Can you use the language acceptable to the Assembly?

Hon. Elizabeth Manyala: The proposed amendments of Standing Order number 235... *(Interruption)*

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Member are you still 'disputing'?

Hon. Elizabeth Manyala: Yes. I am still disputing because....

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Can you withdraw the word 'disputing'?

Hon. Elizabeth Manyala: I don't support the proposed amendment on the Labour and Social Services because the 4th Schedule of the Constitution and the 2nd Schedule of the Standing Orders clearly stipulates that all matters related to labour and social welfare are; trade unions, relations, manpower or human resource planning, gender, culture and social welfare, youth, national youth service, children welfare, national heritage, betting, lotteries and sports. If you remove betting and sports from the docket and we are taking care of the children's welfare, then it is like we are shooting the children and we will not take care of this children's welfare because.....(*Interruption*)

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order granted

Hon. Member: Mr. Speaker sir, is the Hon. Member right to mislead the House that sports is not included and I am seeing sports activities in the report?

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Kagiri

Hon. Member for Pipeline Ward (Mr. Samuel Kagiri): Thank you Mr. Speaker, for this chance. I rise on a point of order and I am requesting your chair to advise us on what is the proper dressing code for our Hon. Members, the ladies in the House. According to my observation, we have three ladies in this House today and they are all dressed in different attires. But when (*Member laughs*) a male Hon. Member is in the House without a tie or without a coat he is send out. So can we be advised on what is the proper dress code for our female Hon. Members?

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you Hon. Member Kagiri, dressing code is contained in our guide and rules, regulations and guides for the County Assembly. Therefore I refer you to go through the rules and guides, Hon. Member. Thank you. Hon. Kitavi

Hon. Member for Laini Saba Ward (Mr. David Kitavi): Thank Mr. Speaker for giving me this chance. I stand here to second the amendments. However I have noted with deep concern some of the proposed amendments especially when it comes to Labour and Social Services. We are all aware that there exists a sectoral committee on early childhood and vocational training, which has been given a mandate of dealing with children issues.

Yet I am seeing here that the proposed(*Interruption*).....because from my understanding, the Standing Order clearly states what we are trying to amend here unless you just needed to add the word activities and facilities, but in my interpretation Labour and Social Services does include all matters relating to Labour, trade unions, relations, manpower or human resource planning, gender, culture and social welfare, youth, national youth service, children welfare, national heritage, betting, lotteries and sports. So in my take what is the dispute or what is the amendment here? According to me sports means sports whichever way it was written in this particular report, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Okay Members, calm down Members. As you may realize there was a mix-up in the second schedule circulated to the Members. There were certain responsibilities cutting across two committees, for instance, betting, lotteries and sports. When you come to children, culture and community services you will find animal control and welfare including licensing of dogs which ought not to have appeared under children culture and community services but under agriculture.

On the same culture and community services, there is hiring of culture social services, the same appears in the Committee on Labour. So those are the kind of amendments we are talking about. Thank you.

Hon. Member for Eastleigh North Ward (Mr. Adow Osman): I support the motion. But for purposes of clarity are we talking about legal drugs or illegal?

Hon. Member for Harambee Ward (Mr. Ronald Milare): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to second the motion but with amendments particularly with regard to culture and community services, labour and social services. I do not know what persuaded the Procedure and Rules Committee to shift sports from culture to labour.

I thought this Committee is the one supposed to promote constitutionalism and yet they are flouting the Constitution. As you are aware, and may be a point of information, there is a Sports Act 2012 that was passed last year in Parliament and this statute is binding in law. Under the Sports Act, I was one of the drafters of the Sports Act, it clearly states that all matters pertaining to sports including registration of sports federations will be under Sports, Culture and Arts Ministry. That is the Sports Act, and therefore you cannot divorce sports from culture because sports is part of our cultural activities.

I am even going to the extent of 'Googling' in the Internet and if you look at the elements of culture, sports is one of them. The Standing Order that has been amended clearly states that all matters relating to sports and cultural activities, it includes sports, events and entertainment. Sports is a cultural activity. Public amenities are social amenities. It also talks of recreational facilities.

If we look at labour you again see the sports activities have been put under labour and social services which means there will be conflict because entertainment and amenities include stadia which falls under culture and social services. I want to appeal to this House that the Rules and Procedure Committee goes back to look at sports and determine- it is one and the same thing. I would like to support the motion. It proposes some positive amendments but I would like to say that after review of the Standing Order then we can pass this motion. Thank you.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you Hon. Members, I will now call upon the mover of the motion to reply.

Hon. Leader of Majority: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity to reply to the motion. First, there was a typing error at the children and welfare. It is early childhood. It was an error. I therefore take this opportunity to strongly back all members because today I can also see the environment is very good. I do not have any stress. I feel full and satisfied even if I just took a class of water.

We considered all the Departments. One department had only one function while the other had more that is why we had to move sports to labour so that labour could have another function. They both have the same Minister and Committee Member and the budget is on the other side. I don't think there is a reason why we should argue over this issue. I rest my case there.

I would like to ask Members, the same way they conducted themselves during the first motion, they should just support this second motion. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you Hon. Members, you cannot rise on a point of order when the mover of the motion is replying to the motion please Hon. Member. That brings me to put the question that

pursuant to the provisions of Standing Orders 235 this Assembly approves the third report of the County Assembly Procedure and Rules Committee on amendments to the Standing Order. May as many as are of the same opinion say 'aye' and may as many of the contrary opinion say 'nay'. The 'ayes' have it.

(The third report of the Assembly Procedure and Rules Committee was approved)

MOTION – APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS

Hon. Leader of Majority: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me another opportunity to move the motion number nine that pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order number 185 this Assembly approves the appointment of the following Members to the Committee on Appointments:

1. Hon. David Mberia, Chief Whip of Majority
2. Hon. Hashim Kamau, Chief Whip of Minority
3. Hon. Elizabeth Manyala, MCA
4. Hon. Ronald Milare, MCA
5. Hon. Beatrice Kwamboka, MCA
6. Hon. Samwel Kagiri, MCA
7. Hon. Mbugua, MCA

Those are the names. Before I sit down, I call upon Hon. Warutere to come and second the motion.

Hon. Peter Warutere: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to second this very important motion. I trust that there were consultations on both sides; this is why these names are before this House. I urge Members to approve these names so that the team may go ahead and carry out the task appointed for them. I am informed that the task starts tomorrow and the appointed members should know they have our full support. With this I support the motion by the Leader of Majority. Thank you.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members I now propose the question that pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order number 185 this Assembly approves the appointment of the listed Members to the Committee on Appointments. Hon. Ogeto

Hon. Member for Kilimani Ward (Mr. Moses Ogeto): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I second the motion pursuant to Standing Order number 185. As you may realize the Hon. Members who are in this Committee on Appointments, are people who can bring us the right Ministers to this House and as we discussed previously I can see gender is represented and even youth. I thank the Leader of Majority for the great work....(Interruption)

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Member don't have youths in this House but youthful Hon. Members.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I also see the minority and the disabled have been represented. I therefore support these appointed members because I believe they will bring us good ministers. You ensure.....

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Point of order granted Majority Leader

Hon. Leader of Majority: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I beg to make some clarifications for the benefit of the Member who has just spoken. If I am not wrong a youth is a person aged between 18 and 35 years. Beatrice Kwamboka, David Mberia, Ronald Milare and Samwel Kagiri are all youths if I am not wrong. They

are all under 35 years of age. If in any case you think having a small body makes you a youth then you are mistaken.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order Members! Proceed Hon. Member

Hon. Moses Ogeto: I said that the youths have been represented. The Speaker who is also part of the Committee is also a youth. But the Minority Leader is not a youth... *(Laughter)*

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order Member! You are out of order. Can you take your seat! Order Minority Leader! Can we move on with the motion? Hon. Member

Hon. Member: Thank you Mr. Speaker for granting me this opportunity. I support this motion and I urge those who were opposing it last time to support it today because it is fully representative this time. This Hon. House should be represented by all age grades within this County Assembly. To echo what my honourable friend has just said, the marginalized and the youth have been represented. So, I urge the Members to support this motion. We should not waste time discussing it. Thank you.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order Members! For that reason I will take two more, one from this side and the other from the other side. Hon. Otieno

Hon. Pius Otieno: Mr. Speaker all Members are in unison in support of the Appointments Committee. Other than just passing the motion, I would like to urge the Members who are going to sit on the Committee to reflect and realize that this committee is supposed to bring members of integrity to this House. They must live to the fact that this appointments Committee calls them to account. The Committee should carry out research on human resource management process of recruitment and - that is why we are called to vet these people. We must actually understand the process that recruited them, was it above board or was it fishy? Is there anything that can make this process not to be seen as being above board?

Secondly Hon. Members I want to inform you that we are living in a new dispensation with a new Constitution that talks about values of integrity and honesty that we espouse. One of the serious values captured in that article is the value of integrity and honesty. We have to look at the past record of these people whom we are expecting to be appointed. We will be expecting a very comprehensive report that is going to enlighten the people of Nairobi that these officers are men and women of honour and that they are above even Caesar's wife.

That is why I would still be imploring Hon. Members to make sure that the persons they are bringing on board are people who have ethics and new perceptions because everybody in Nairobi is talking about poor services. People are debased in the old dispensation where we had Councilors. We must tell these people that these 85 Hon. Members sitting in this County Assembly are men and women of substance who transact clean business and are able to vet this team of anticipated executives. At the end of the day, there will then be no one running to court that the process was not above board. I will still remind them that when the National Assembly was carrying out its vetting..... *(Interruption)*

Hon. Member for Viwandani Ward (Mr. Samwel Nyang'wara): The Hon. Member is actually casting aspersions against the Hon. Members who have been appointed to this Committee. We want to know from the Hon. Member whether it is like he is saying because he is giving a lecture to this Hon. Members.

Mr. Speaker, before I proceed further, there is a Member who is not well dressed in this House.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: The Member who is not properly dressed, move out.

Hon. Pius Otieno: If you can read a book on Robert...*(Interruption)*...listen Member, I want to build on my motion. We are not only passing this list. While moving a motion, or supporting a motion, your motion must either be built on a philosophy, or precedence, or some thesis that has been authored or documented. There is no way that somebody would say why..... *(Interruption)* Protect me, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order Members! Give the Member time to talk. He has 15 minutes. Order Members!

Hon. Pius Otieno: Yes. The Standing Order amended last time, this week, gives me ample time to move a motion. I do not want to belabor into personalities. I know these are men and women of honour. But I am only reminding them and they must be alive to these facts that while the National Assembly vetted the Cabinet Secretaries there is a lot that we saw.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Member your time is up

Hon. Pius Otieno: 15 minutes have not lapsed. Just a minute, let me tell you..... *(Interruption)*

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Order! Hon. Members sit down! I was counting. Can you conclude?

Hon. Pius Otieno: Yes I am concluding. We need an efficient strong and effective public service. These values I have just espoused here cannot be realized if we are not going to bring a paradigm shift. Thank you.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. The Hon. Member for Dandora

Hon. Member for Dandora Area II Ward (Mr. Stephen Kambi): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I stand here to support the motion, bearing in mind that there was push on all parties of this honourable House and that the people in this list represent the interest of the County Assembly at large. We are confident that when vetting the executive appointees they will also carry the same interest. So, I support the motion.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you Members. I call upon the mover of the motion to reply.

Hon. Leader of Majority: Thank you Mr. Speaker for making a very wise decision because I felt like somebody was going to mess me up. But by the grace of God you saved the situation. I take this opportunity to thank Members and I must correct some wrong notion. These are all Members of the Nairobi City County Assembly. When we were going for the elections, we did not indicate our youth or age. But right now we are expecting the nominated Members who will come to fulfill the special interests such as youth and gender. The Hon. Ladies who were rejected would be brought to the House through nomination.

I therefore want to urge the men and women who are going to do this executive vetting not to go calling the people to be vetted just because they are in this Committee. They should not look up the mobile phone numbers of the people they are expected to vet. This is a warning because at the end of the day, we must not tarnish our names by passing the names of some of these anticipated executives just because we met them in a hotel somewhere.

Let us go and select men and women of integrity. That is my final word. I think tomorrow the vetting will begin and the Clerk must guide this committee for us to deliver the best people to this County. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you, the Hon. Leader of Majority. To that end, I put the question that pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order number 185 this Assembly approves the appointment of the listed Members to the Committee on Appointments. As many as are of the same opinion say 'aye' and as many as are of the contrary opinion say 'nay'. The 'ayes' have it.

(The House approved the list of members of the Committee on Appointments)

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you. I am now directing the Committee on Appointments to have their first sitting at 4.30pm at Committee Room today. That brings us to the end of our business today and the House adjourns '*sine die*'. Thank you.

(The House rose at 3.55pm)