

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

OFFICIAL REPORT

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Tuesday 30th May, 2017
The House met at 2.30 p.m.

(Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker (Ms. Karen Wanjiku) in the Chair)

PRAYER

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: I have been informed that we don't have quorum, Serjeant-At-Arms please ring the bell for 10 minutes.

(Quorum bell is rung)

Order Member! We are still in session. Hon. Members we still don't have quorum, Serjeant-At-Arms please ring the bell for 5 minutes.

(Quorum bell is rung)

Hon. Members we are still waiting for you, please come in. Hon. Members we now have quorum, we can proceed.

PAPERS

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Majority Leader.

Hon. Majority Chief Whip (Mr. Jaffer Kassam): Thank you, Madam Speaker. Pursuant to the provision of Standing Order 180 (6), I wish to lay the following papers on the table of the Assembly today

Tuesday 30th May 2017; The List of the Names of Persons Appointed to Nairobi City County Persons with Disabilities. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you.

STATEMENTS

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: We have the statement requested by Hon. Anthony Karanja from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding the recruitment for the positions of County Firemen/Women in Nairobi County, Chairperson Labour. Do we have Mheshimwa Anthony Karanja?

Hon. Minority Leader: Hon. Bishop, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Member for Labour is going to give that response on behalf of the Chair?

Hon. Alexina Mudi (Nominated Member): Thank you Madam Speaker. Labour Committee is not in the House so I don't think there is any member from the committee. They are in Mombasa. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you Hon. Alexina. Will they be coming this week so that we can know when to refer to the statement?

Hon. Alexina Mudi: I would not actually be certain because we have a holiday in the course of the week. So I won't be sure whether they will be around but what I know is they are away. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: We can refer the statement to Tuesday next week. Let us go to the next statement. It was requested by Hon. Kenneth Irungu from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Trade, Tourism and Co-operatives regarding issuance of licenses to traders in Gikomba Market and Quarry Road Market.

Hon. Member for Pumwani Ward (Mr. Kenneth Irungu): I go on?

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Yes, your mike is on.

Hon. Kenneth Irungu: Thank you Madam Speaker. In fact I was looking for an opportunity to address this new Chamber, to make my maiden speech in this new Chamber and that's why I was looking for just something to make me talk because I have never uttered a word in this Chamber. Thank you, Madam Speaker, I am happy that the Chamber is no longer competitive, I do not know where the people who always like showing off---

Hon. Deputy Speaker (Mr. Kennedy Ngondi): Point of Order, Madam Speaker. I think this is a House of rules and procedures and the Hon. Member, Irungu, is referring to Members as 'people' which is unparliamentary. Kindly request him to withdraw that statement and avoid such references. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Member, you should address Members as Hon. Members, but I will excuse you because it is your maiden speech. Hon. Irungu, do you have the response from the Chair of Trade?

Hon. Nominated Member (Mr. William Abuka): Point of Order, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Go ahead, Hon. Abuka. You can take your seat, Hon. Irungu.

Hon. William Abuka: Madam Speaker, I am taken aback. I either need to go back to school to be taught English again or the Member ought to refresh our English a bit. The Member with all his five senses and respecting this House in his own words says that he wanted to stand up in the Hon. House of the County Assembly to say anything that comes into his mind to feed the Hon. Members in the House as we prepare to exit honourably. Madam Speaker, I need to be educated further. Is that an address to this Hon. Assembly by a Hon. Member in a respectful style? So is it that a Hon. Member can say anything that he wants to say in the Hon. House and say anything that crosses his mind? Madam Speaker, I beg to be educated further.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Abuka. Hon. Irungu, please, even if it is a maiden speech, you have been in this Assembly and you know the procedures so kindly stick to the response. Continue, Hon. Irungu, do you have the response from the Committee of Trade?

Hon. Kenneth Irungu: As guided.

Hon. Member: Point of Order!

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Denied.

Hon. Member for Pumwani Ward (Mr. Kenneth Irungu): Can I continue?

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Continue Hon. Irungu

Hon. Kenneth Irungu: Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Order Member!

ISSUANCE OF LICENSES TO TRADERS IN GIKOMBA OPEN AIR MARKET AND QUARRY ROAD MARKET

Hon. Kenneth Irungu: Protect me Madam Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order 41 (2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee of Trade, Tourism and Cooperatives regarding issuance of licenses to traders in Gikomba open air market and Quarry Road market. Hon. Speaker, there are allegations that the sector is promoting unfair trade practices by issuing trading licenses to traders in Gikomba open air market whereas, some permanent shops are operating without licenses. It is also alleged that businesses trading in temporary structures on pavements and road



reserves are charged the same fees with those trading in permanent shops thus making the County lose a lot of revenue.

Hon. Speaker in the statement, the Chairperson should inquire into and report on;

- 1. Confirm the number of traders in Gikomba air market and Quarry Road market
- Categories of trade licenses and amount payable in the two markets?
- 3. Amount of revenue collected daily in Gikomba air market and Quarry Road market?
- 4. Measures put in place by the County Executive to ensure that all the monies collected ends up in the County Revenue account?

Having said that, I am happy that I will not leave this Assembly without having uttered a single word in the new Chamber. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you Hon. Member. Do we have the Chair for Trade Tourism and Cooperative Committee?

Hon. Nominated Member (Ms. Jacqueline Nyangala): Thank you Madam Speaker. Is Thursday 8th June okay, because there are very many questions and we have to get the correct answers?

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Sure. Hon. Member, you will get a response next week on Thursday. We now have the statement from Hon. Anthony Karanja which will be read by the Minority Leader. Statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding the recruitment for the positions of County Constables and County Firemen and Firewomen in Nairobi County.

Hon. Minority Leader (Mr. Abdi Hassan): Thank you Madam Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 41 (2)(c) I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of Sectoral Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding recruitment for the position of the County Constables and County Firemen and Firewomen in Nairobi County.

Hon. Speaker the Nairobi County Public Service Board via a public notice in the Daily Nation of Friday 17th February 2017 had invited shortlisted candidates for the position of County Constable and County Firemen/Firewomen however due to unavoidable circumstances the interview were postponed.

On Tuesday May 23rd 2017 the Nairobi County Public Service Board advertised that the interview will take place on Monday 12th June 2017. Hon. Speaker in the statement the Chairperson should inquire into and report on:

- Confirm if the same candidates that had been shortlisted in the previous interview that was
 postponed are the same candidates shortlisted and currently posted in the Nairobi County Public
 Service Board online portal.
- 2. Reasons as to why the County Executive did not re-advertise the recruitment, thank you Madam Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you Minority Leader. Do we have the Chair for Labour and Social Welfare committee? Oh, sorry, Hon. Alexina we said you were going to answer that question next

week Tuesday. Do you want to respond? When are you going to respond? Next week Wednesday, ok, thank you. Next order.

BILL

SECOND READING

THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY OUTDOOR ADVERTISING AND SIGNAGE CONTROL AND REGULATION BILL 2017, ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 8 OF 2017

Hon. Member for Korogocho Ward (Mr. Maxwell Ochar): Thank you madam Speaker, I wish to request that the second reading of this Bill be deferred to next week Tuesday, the Committee is still considering the Bill and so far has identified glaring technical and drafting flaws and therefore the Committee is requesting for more time and we still have further consultation with the CEC so our request is that next week so that we can do the tabling, thank you.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you Hon. Member, we will look at the Bill on Tuesday as the Committee has said because it is a very important Bill. I believe we need some more input and research, thank you. Hon. Members Order No. 9 is also deferred to next week Tuesday because they want to put more input to the Bill.

ADOURNMENT

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members we don't have any more business. The House is adjourned until tomorrow 2.30 p.m.

(House rose at 3.04 p.m.)

