



NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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The House met at 2.30 p.m.

(Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker (Mr. Anthony Kimemia) in the Chair)

PRAYERS

QUORUM

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Clerk, ensure that we have a quorum. Sergeant-at-Arms ring the bell for 10 minutes.

(Quorum bell was rung for 10 minutes)

Hon. Members, we have attained quorum. Order! Clerk! Order Members!

STATEMENTS

REQUEST FOR A STATEMENT REGARDING STATUS OF ROADS AND PUBLIC LIGHTING IN NJIRU WARD

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Mheshimiwa Elijah Mputhia had a statement?

Hon. Elijah Irura: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I have a statement. Pursuant to Standing Order 45 (2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Transport and Public Works regarding the status of roads and public lighting in the County and specifically in Njiru Ward.

Hon. Speaker the residents of Njiru Ward feel neglected by the County Executive since no single road has been tarmacked in the area. Further, the area has not benefited from any ongoing public street lighting that has been carried out by the Nairobi County and KPLC. Hon. Speaker, the Maili Saba – Mwiki Bridge should be constructed urgently so as to ease traffic and also for the residents to benefit from the market in that area.

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

1. Whether the County Executive has allocated any funds towards any of the above listed projects;
2. Why it is that Njiru Ward has not benefitted from any projects by the County Government;

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3. Whether the County Executive ---

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: *Mheshimiwa*, the person you are addressing is busy talking to somebody else. Hon. Kagis, are you the Chairman for Transport?

Hon. Paul Kagis: Yes

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Please be attentive

Hon. Elijah Irura: Thank you Mr. Speaker for the observation.

4. Whether the County Executive has allocated any funds towards any of the above listed projects?
5. Whether the County Executive has any plans to undertake any project in Njiru ward and if so, which project and in which financial year?
6. Measures taken by the County Executive to ensure equity in allocation of projects in the County?

Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Chairman Transport

Hon. Paul Kiguathi: I request we give a response two weeks after we come back from recess.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Kindly give us a specific date

Hon. Paul Kiguathi: Two weeks after recess

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: *Mheshimiwa* Elijah, are you satisfied with that arrangement?

Hon. Elijah Irura: Mr. Speaker, I would like for him to be specific on the date

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: He might have a difficult time identifying the date because we are to resume chambers on the 23rd April, 2019. I rule that you give the response on the 23rd of April, is that okay?

Hon. Paul Kiguathi: Two weeks will be okay

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you very much. *Mheshimiwa* Naftali Mathenge, do you have a statement?

REQUEST FOR A STATEMENT REGARDING REPAIR AND MAINTANANCE OF HIGH MASTS IN GITHURAI WARD

Hon. Naftali Mathenge: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order 45 (2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Transport and Public Works regarding the repair and maintenance of high masts in Nairobi County, especially in Githurai Ward.

Hon. Speaker, high masts enhance visibility and improvement of business operations in Githurai estates being a hub of business operations because of its location. Most of the said lighting systems have not been working for long time posing insecurity threat to residents hence interfering with business in the said area.

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

1. Why the high masts have not been repaired

2. Measures put in place by the County Government to ensure repair and maintenance of the said lighting systems.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you. Chairman of Transport, I realize that we shall resume on 23rd April and we shall be going for Easter, may be the appropriate date you can give both answers for Hon. Mbutia and Hon. Mathenge should be on 25th April 2019.

Hon. James Wamboi: Thank you, Hon. Speaker for answering my response.

(Laughter)

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: I was not answering but guiding you. Are you guided?

Hon. James Wamboi: Yes.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Mathenge, are you satisfied?

Hon. Naftaly Mathenge: He has said when?

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: 25th April, that is two weeks after recess.

Hon. Naftaly Mathenge: Let two weeks be two weeks, not more than that.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you. There are responses due. Statement requested by Hon. Benson Mwangi. Is the Chair of Planning in the House?

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Ndumi, do you have any response for Hon. Benson?

Hon Ruth Ndumi: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I think the response is not yet ready.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Then you will respond after the recess.

Hon. Ruth Ndumi: Yes. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: We have another response for Cecilia Ayot from Culture. Hon. Mwangi Njihia, do you have a response for Hon. Ayot?

Hon. Abraham Njihia: Thank you Hon. Speaker. We called the Hon. Member to the committee, but the response we got was not sufficient and we agreed with her that we should do more on the same. We will respond on the first Thursday after CAF. That is the agreement we had with the Member. If she is in the House, she can confirm the same.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Ayot, can you confirm? Is she in the House? She is absent, but I will take your word for it. There was another request by Patricia Mutheu. Chairman Water? Any member?

Hon. Ruth Ndumi: Mr. Speaker, we will give the response after the recess. Hon. Mutheu is also a member of the committee.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you. There was another request from Hon. Jairus Omay, MCA, from Culture. Hon. Njihia?

Hon. Abraham Njihia: Hon. Speaker, in fact from Culture committee, we had three statement requests. One from Ayot, the other one from Jairus and the third one from Ngengi. All of them were not in order. So, we asked the Executive side to bring sufficient evidence on the same. And I think we are in agreement that Jairus is in the House and he can confirm the same. I think all the statements will be ready by then, as I promised earlier. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Serjeant-at-Arms, please do not allow any Member to leave the House because we have some guests who are coming, so that we will not embarrass ourselves. Mheshimiwa Jairus, what do you have to say about this?

Hon. Jairus Omayo: I agree with the Chair.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: That goes with Mheshimiwa Daniel Ngengi because they are the same. Do you agree with the chair?

Hon. Daniel Ngengi: Hon. Speaker, I agree with the Chair thank you.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you. We have a statement request from Hon. Kennedy Oyugi for the Finance Budget chair. Do we have any Member in that Committee because I cannot see the Chairman?

Hon. James Kiriba: Hon. Speaker, we also agree with the Chair on the same two weeks after recess.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you. We have a Statement here requested by Hon. Mwangi Njihia for Planning and I think it is the same. A statement requested by Hon. Adow for Justice and Legal Affairs. Do we have a Member here for Justice and Legal Affairs?

Hon. Jayendra Malde: Hon. Speaker, for Mheshimiwa Adow we had already given a statement in the Assembly, and he was satisfied.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you very much. The statement requested by Hon. David Okello from chairman of Environment. Any Member from the Environment committee?

Hon. Emily Waithaka: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I think this will be responded after recess thank you.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Mheshimiwa. Members, I want to rule that all these statements should be answered by 25 April 2019 as we have agreed as soon as we come from recess. Do you have something to say Mheshimiwa Njihia?

Hon. Abraham Njihia: Hon Speaker, sometimes February last year I requested for a statement from the Chair of Planning and in March I asked another one. There is a time I rose here on the floor and by then you were on chair and you gave orders that those statements should be brought to the House but up to date all the pending statements have been read but mine are not there. Can you kindly tell the status of my statements?

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: As agreed we shall deliberate on the status of the statements when we come back after CAF. That will be on 25th. I direct that all statements be responded to after we come from recess as from 23rd April. Mheshimiwa Akama, you have an issue?

Hon. Jared Akama: Thank you Mr. Speaker, it is just a concern because through your chair you have always given the same directive in the sense that within a specific time we get responses. I am worried and that is why I want you to assure this house that what you say that by 25th we shall get all responses is true. It is a concern.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you very much. That is a concern and I think the clerk's desk has taken note of that. I am giving an order than on 25th April all the statements we have here should

be responded to. The clerk representing each and every sector should ensure we have the responses through your chairmen. I don't give ultimatums but this is the first warning. Thank you very much.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: We were expecting visitors to come so that we welcome them to Nairobi but I can see they have not arrived. I adjourn the House until 23rd April 2019. Thank you much ladies and gentlemen.

The House rose at 3.01 p.m.