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The House met at 9.30 a.m.

[Hon. Speaker (Mr Benson Mutura) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

QUORUM

Hon. Speaker: I have been informed the quorum is there, proceed.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

REDUCTION OF THE PUBLICATION PERIOD OF THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY APPROPRIATION BILL, 2020

Hon. Peter Wanyoike: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. THAT notwithstanding the provision of Standing Order No.127, this Assembly resolves to reduce the publication period of the Nairobi City County Appropriation Bill 2020 (Assembly Bill No.6 of 2020) from seven days to six days.

I call upon Minority Leader to second.

Hon. Mellab Lumalah: Thank you very much for this opportunity. I stand to second the Motion.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Speaker: You will kindly bear with me, I have a challenge with the system here. It is not indicating who is---- I can see Hon. Ogeto.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As I stand to support this Motion, you will realize that the Appropriation Bill has never been brought to this Assembly. It is in good spirit of this Assembly to approve this Motion so that there will be smooth transition in ensuring that members get their salaries and allowances in advance. As we wait for the Senate to pass the formula, there will be peace. I beg to support.

Hon. Peter Wanyoike: Thank you for the support of this Motion. As you are aware, the County has stayed for long waiting for this Motion. I beg to reply.

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(Question put and agreed to)

BILL

First Reading

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY APPROPRIATION BILL (ASSEMBLY BILL NO.6 OF 2020)

(Order for First Reading read accordingly)

MOTION

GUIDELINES FOR SECONDMENT AND/OR DEPLOYMENT OF PUBLIC OFFICERS

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. THAT, aware that Article 187 of the Constitution, 2010 and Section 24 of the Intergovernmental Relations Act, 2012 provides for the transfer of functions and powers from one level of Government to another; further aware that on 25th February, 2020, the Governor signed a memorandum transferring some of the County Government functions such as health services, transport services, county planning and development services and public works to the National Government as provided for in the Constitution which took effect from 17th March, 2020 and for twenty-four (24) months subject to renewal; acknowledging that in execution of the Transfer Deed, His Excellence the President established the Nairobi Metropolitan Services Office to spearhead the implementation of the transferred functions; recognizing that there has been a rift between the County Executive and the Nairobi Metropolitan Services on various issues such as process of secondment and/or deployment of public officers from the County Executive to Nairobi Metropolitan Services; noting that Article 187 (2) (b) of the Constitution provides that constitutional responsibility for performance of the function or exercise of power on transferred functions shall remain with the government to which it is assigned by the Fourth Schedule, this Assembly urges the County Executive in conjunction with the Nairobi Metropolitan Services to develop guidelines for approval by the County Assembly on the secondment and/or deployment of officers from the County Government to the Nairobi Metropolitan Service to enhance seamless service delivery to the residents of Nairobi City County.

Hon. Speaker, I brought this Motion because the NMS and the County Executive have failed to agree. This Assembly, subject to approval of the Motion, will give either the NMS or the County Executive to bring guidelines as it was quoted by Justice Wasilwa in the order which was given, that the NMS and the Executive to bring a framework on how the transferred functions is done, especially on the employees.

Yesterday, the County nurses were on strike. They came here and were shouting the name of Hon. Guyo. I had to ask what has Hon. Guyo got to do with the County staff. They told me that he is the only one who can help them to be paid their salaries. I was perplexed on how the Majority Leader can assist staff to be paid. Hon. Speaker, the then Chair did a roadside declaration on City Hall Way that staff, especially doctors and nurses, should go to work. This Motion will ensure that there is cohesion. It is either the NMS to bring the guidelines as directed by the court or the County Executive to do so.

We also passed a framework of collecting revenue in this Assembly. Why I brought this Motion is because there is a Deed of Transfer which was signed between the chairman of public service of Nairobi City County and the Public Service Commission on 18th March 2020. The Deed of Transfer is clear on

Section 6.1. It says, “After the transfer of the deed, the resources should move with the staff.” The chair of the public service also signed the same. There is one staff who to date is frustrating the NMS. He has the password and doesn’t want to give out as per the Deed of Transfer.

Hon. Speaker, I want to call my colleague, Hon. Paul Kiguathi to second me on this Motion.

Hon. Paul Kados: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Let me congratulate my young brother for coming up with such an important Motion for this Assembly. While supporting this Motion, it has taken us one year since this Deed of Transfer were signed. There are a lot of issues which have cropped up after the Deed of Transfer were signed. For this government and the Nairobians to see services, this Assembly must take up steps to see the Deed of Transfer works for the benefit of Nairobians.

Hon. Speaker, I beg to second this Motion and ask my fellow members of this Assembly to support this important Motion. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members who are on Zoom, kindly you can click on the ‘Raise Hand’ button so that I can be able to give you a chance when it comes to the debate.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Thank you Hon. Speaker and Members of the House. I also arise to support this Motion from my younger brother and I want first of all to appreciate the President of the Republic of Kenya for giving Nairobi a chance to breathe more in terms of development when he initiated Nairobi Metropolitan Services.

We can all attest to it that indeed if you walk from Kenyatta Avenue, you walk to Koinange Street, Monrovia Street, along Uhuru Highway then you go to Grogon, and more importantly for those who have walked with NMS team like me, my brother Ogeto, sometimes we had to do a nature walk with the Director General where we went to Mukuru Kwa Njenga, Mr. Speaker you could see the transformation that Nairobi Metropolitan Services has brought in terms of development.

After all is said and done, we give to H.E The President a worthwhile thumbs- up, that indeed it was a well thought out idea by him to initiate the issue of Deed of Transfer. Mr. Speaker indeed out of success there have been challenges, and one of the major challenges was when the Deed of Transfer was signed as stipulated under Article 6(1), the staffs were to follow the functions and I remember vividly well that a time was advertised for all the 6055 staffs to be seconded to NMS. Unfortunately, there were a lot of challenges, despite the fact that they were seconded but they still have challenges. Some of them call us; as the representatives of the people, expressing their challenges in terms of salaries, you just heard a section of the staffs were chanting Guyo, Guyo, Guyo to help us pay the salaries, that’s a plus. I normally tell Guyo that come 2027 we will be in the Council of Governors, but the only race we have is who becomes the chair first in 2027 so we are starting to warm up, Speaker, and I believe that time you’ll be a vice president, when am the chair of council of governors and Guyo might be will be the deputy or he’ll be ahead of me. So we are warming up, if you see the staff chanting a name of an honorable member who is the Majority Leader or Minority Leader for support, it shows that we have substance and we can move this county ahead.

Speaker indeed it’s important, and I wonder, now with the Majority Leader in the House and Majority Whip, I think it’s time now with the Minority Leader in the House, it’s time now with you, Speaker,

we take on the issue of tranquility between NMS and the county government seriously. We need operations to be seamless. For instance, Speaker, the staffs working under KRA - there's a challenge there. The staffs seconded from the county government to KRA are really seeing in a way they are not staffs professionally. The KRA officers are really mistreating these staffs. We need to come up with proper guidelines, if they have been seconded to KRA they must be treated with the same decorum or professionalism. And I believe, Speaker, with this Motion that my brother has brought, it'll bring us a quick resolution to this, because I remember last week the health sector was in turmoil. I remember the Majority Leader seated on that seat I saw on social media he was speaking, Thurairara was speaking, we could not see that sanity, but when you have guidelines everyone must adhere to that because under Article 1 of the constitution we represent the people, if we approve those guidelines here, it will help the county government, it'll also help the NMS on how to operate and vis-a-vis also at the end of transfer, what happens? Do we re-transfer again the staffs back to the county government/ are we going to call them again to Uhuru Park for re-transfer? Those guidelines will help us, that it will be seamless, after two year or to infinity, it will tell us how to go about it.

Bwana Speaker I propose that this county government must initiate the process because under Article 187 (b), it says the functions to remain with the county government. It has just donated these staff to NMS for two years, albeit if the BBI will still retain the county government, if it doesn't retain then it becomes another government called Metropolitan Services. So we pray that this House passes this Motion and allow the NMS to come up with a policy or the Nairobi County Government to come up with guidelines that we can approve as a House so it can be binding to both of them. I beg to support Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Antony Karanja

Hon. Antony Karanja: I believe it is in good faith that the Minority Leader and the Deputy Minority Whip is mentioning the name of Guyo. I don't believe Guyo or the Majority Leader of the Nairobi County Assembly has a role if any in the remuneration or the hiring or even directing staff of the County on what to do, on when to be paid, on what to do.

Hon. Speaker I would like to request, on behalf of Members of this County Assembly, that we have never had an opportunity to interrogate or even to go through and understand the Deed of Transfer. We have a huge mandate as the Members of this Assembly to internalize, to understand and to be part of this Deed of Transfer.

Hon. Speaker we do not even know, personally I do not even know the role of the County Assembly. I have heard my Minority Whip pose a challenge to you that you make it happen, I would also like to do the same and ask you to make it public to the 122 Members of this County Assembly.

Hon. Speaker the Deed of Transfer, NMS, the Speaker's Office had been owned by a group of MCA's, Hon Speaker. It is time and the time is now that you open up all these documents to include all the people of this County. I would like us to hold such a Motion until such a time that even the farthest Member of this Assembly is able to get a copy of the Deed of Transfer, to read, understand, be explained to, interrogate and actually be able to contribute to such a Motion.

Hon. Speaker this county has almost 12000 staff and for NMS to demand that they want 6500, we would want to know what criterion is used, what will happen to the other remaining staff. If you walk through

the corridors of this county, you will hear the disparities, the discrimination, the non-involvement of essential staff including the Inspectorate because what the NMS want is part of the staff, what happens to the others? If they get the password, will they be able to employ? What happens to the section 195 of the constitution whereby the mandate of the transferred functions lies with the Executive? What if the staff go, who gives them orders, where do they derive their remuneration?

Hon. Speaker one of the issues, because I followed the doctors' strike, that came up was not transferred as employees of the County, they were still being paid by the Public Service Commission, they were being employed by the Public Service Commission and through harmonization is when we need to sit down with the national government or the county government needs to sit with the national government and harmonize so that these disparities and all these fights may come to an end.

Hon. Speaker I would beg to oppose and request that we postpone such a Motion until such a time that all Members understand the role of the County Assembly, the role of the MCA's and role of every partner in the Deed of Transfer. Thank you Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you. Next is Hon Sylvia Museiya. (*silence*). Hon. Mellab in the meantime as the ICT work on it.

Hon. Mellab Atema: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity. To be very honest I stand here to support this Motion because to be very honest most of us do not understand how to work with NMS. I know it is a good idea that the President brought in, it was long and overdue for us to be seen as Nairobi County working for *wananchi*. But now my question has always been how do we integrate into the NMS and it is now six months down the line since NMS came into being, I used to think we'll come up with an idea of being brought together so that we are taken through as my fellow MCA Ngaruiya had spoken about it and it is like these are two arms of government, the NMS and the County Assembly, I think it is three, County Assembly we are on our own, the Executive is also on their own plus the NMS.

Yes, they're doing a good job but this job could be very well done if all of us are taken through, put through the guidelines and also have procedures, who do we report to and how do the executive government come in and who is supposed to be doing their payment and so on and so forth. I am really worried about the staffs also because when you walk around outside people will always ask you how do we work with NMS. Staff who are employed in the Executive and you wonder which answer do you give them because they tell you they don't know who to report to, they don't know who to pay them, then you find all this time, like six months, they've been laying around doing nothing because they're not sure where to go, who to report to and they feel threatened because they feel if they do this, they'll be doing wrong for the County Executive part that employed them or if they're not adhering to the NMS they also feel they're not giving them the right service.

So as my colleagues have said, let us come up with structures, both houses, the NMS and the County to come together, we have proper structures because anybody who is going through transition session or period you have to have strategies and approaches. How do you approach it because it's a new baby being born, how do you even nurture this baby so that it comes out as a community baby to benefit everybody in the society?

Let us sit down and come up with structures and any other information that can help us take through all MCA's through that to make sure that they understand what NMS is, whereby as Mellab I can wake up one day and walk in a certain office in NMS to know what I want, which sector and who to report to or who to go and find my research from.

I think we are all lost up to now but I believe it's a good idea that came, we need to embrace but we need to do so with knowledge that how do we approach it, how to we execute it, how do we work together so that Nairobi is seen as one as a County not as separate powers. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you. ICT people kindly see whether we will be able to connect Sylvia Museiya.

Hon. Speaker: Pius Mbono

Hon. Pius Mbono: Thank you hon. Speaker. I rise to support this Motion and Mr. Speaker if I knew that there was such a Motion that was to be brought by the Deputy Minority Leader, I would have asked him to insert some few words. That we also needed some kind of a liaison office because we must agree that something is wrong somewhere because like now, I want to bring it to the attention of the Members that the Ward Development Fund projects are not being done and when it went to.

(Hon. Speaker consulted with Members and the Clerk-at- Table)

I want the attention of the Speaker please.

Hon. Speaker: Proceed Member

Hon. Pius Mbono: Okay. Thank you Speaker, but I need your attention Speaker.

Let me continue Hon Speaker, probably you will be able to get my views. I was saying that the Motion is quite clear, but if I knew that the Deputy Minority Whip was to bring this Motion I would have asked him to insert some few words that we need a liaison office as quickly as possible. This is because we're elected members and sometimes we are not able to convey our concern on the ground because actually we don't know which office to take because I've tried to go to the NMS office, just to drop letters, but to drop that letter becomes an uphill task.

We are facing some challenges and sometime I usually ask myself, if I have an emergency where do I start because if to drop a letter to that office it is quite hard what about the response of the same letter.

Why I am saying all this is because we have contractors in the ground who are supposed to do some work but they are not able to start because the resident engineers are nowhere to be seen, just to hand over the jobs to the contractors. The sideboards are there and there were timelines, there were also premium boards that were paid by those contractors but they cannot continue. We had promised our people soon or later there are some jobs that are going to be seen done and they will see the contractors in the ground but now they are asking where they are, because of a very small thing. That the engineer should come on the ground and hand over to the contractors.

Therefore, something is wrong somewhere and although this one is a political office we want things to take shape as soon as possible. This because one and a half year is long enough, so I support this Motion and I think the office that this Motion is directed to should move with speed so that we can get response as soon as possible. Thankyou.

Hon. Mbugua Kabiro: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker sir, allow me to rise up because I do not know whether the protocols do not allow for us see when we are addressing you. I would like to start by saying that I support the Motion fully, as it is drafted. The Motion is not introducing anything new; it is exactly what the Deed of Transfer says. It actually says that the County Government together with the Public Service Commission together with the County Service Board will come up with regulations and guidelines on the transfer of staff and this is what the Motion is actually addressing.

It is nothing new and I would like to say that Antony Kirangu is actually alluding it is a document that we have been looking at for the last eight months. I would like to say that I sense a lot of dishonesty in his address because I have seen him on TV station going to address this documents and saying how good it is and how it is timely for Nairobi. I have seen him in KTN, Citizen and other TV stations addressing us and saying that this is the best thing that has ever happened to Nairobi.

For him to come then today and say that he is opposing a Motion that is advancing the interest of this Deed of Transfer it is not being honest. Mr. Speaker, this is timely and it is something that we should have done long time ago, the fact that it coming right now it I because there has been misunderstanding between the General and the H. E. the Governor Mike Mbuvi Sonko. Now that they have buried their hatchers, let the Deed of Transfer; be implemented in a proper way.

The Motion is not asking anything different it is just saying let us institute a programme or guidelines over which transfer of staff can happen without any problem for the future. If anybody went to court it would then not be found that we are in breach of any regulation having allowed staff been transferred to perform functions that have been transferred within the Deed of Transfer. I would like to say that I support and this is something that we should do without even blinking, it is something that it is instituting, and it is progressing the agenda of the President.

I would like the say the Deed of Transfer is a blueprint over which Nairobi is going to be transformed. In no way are we demeaning the works that the Governor is H.E Sonko has actually done. H. E. Governor Sonko has done tremendously well with regard to how he has taken Nairobi from the time when H. E. Kidero left it until right now. However, right now, what we are saying is, the President has taken over and he is advancing the interest of how the future of Nairobi is going to be. He has allowed the General to take part and be present and be the one who is leading his transformation and the blueprint which they signed together with the H.E. the Governor.

Right now, we saying that we are grateful to the Governor, but for the transferred functions let them be implemented by the President through the Hon. General Badi. Hon. Speaker, let us support the agenda. We have seen what happened to people who did not support the President's agenda and we do not want also to be an example. I would like to say that I support and we should continue to rally behind the President in supporting the BBI and the Deed of Transfer. Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. I beg to sit.

Hon. Mary Mwami: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, for giving me this great opportunity to be able to address the Assembly. The transfer deed is legal; it was done in the bright day when everybody could see it on TV. The Governor and H. E. the President of Kenya went, agreed, and signed a deed. What we are trying to do right now is to functionalize so that this Deed is able to work. We are trying to bring it from the paper, so that it is now able to work. I am in the Transport and infrastructure Committee and we are having

problems because the files which should have been already been transferred to NMS have not been transferred.

Therefore, there were some projects that were already halfway and not done, they have not been paid, we have people in between who have not been paid, and NMS cannot take over those projects unless they are transferred. Recently, we called the legal officer and they came and explained that they cannot do it unless the Governor tells them. We are in between the Governor because I am sure that now he is reading and he is realizing what he did and the NMS. We must, as legislatures of this Assembly be able to take our oversight role, our legislative role and our representation roles and be able to give the way forward.

I stand here to oppose what our fellow colleague Hon. Antony Kirangu stands here to say that he does not know what is in the Deed and he does not understand. We may not be able to fully understand what is there but what we know is that certain functions were transferred to NMS and that include transport and infrastructure, planning and health. The doctors leaving sick people to come to the street and protest because of somebody is holding a password it is very wrong and dangerous. We know very well that health was one of the devolved functions, under the constitution.

However, I know there are moderations that they are been worked on, so that it can be put again back in the National Government but for the time been it is under the County Government. Therefore, it is wrong for the doctors and nurses and it is not the first time because these workers of health are always in the street demonstrating since even before NMS came in. Therefore, it is very important that we take this seriously and we functionalize which means, we are putting it so that it can be workable and someone can pick it even if anyone of us is not there and can use it to make sure things are not working in Nairobi. So far so good, NMS are doing a good job even when you meet people they are saying that they like this thing of NMS.

The Governor has strengths; he has been left with agriculture, education, and we are going to make sure that those parts that have remained with the Governor we will oversight, legislate and we will represent our people. We should not sit here and say that we do not know what we are supposed to do with both the Executive as well as the NMS. Our role still stands and it representation, oversight and legislation.

We must make the people of Nairobi know that although we charted in very unknown waters of having two groups –the NMS and the County Government- but we were able to deliver. I will bet even if it is the last two years we must deliver because at the very beginning we did not know what we were able to deliver specifically although we did a few things here and there. However, in Kenyatta Avenue in the street, you can see demarcation of walking street and I believe there is another lane for cycling and there is place for vehicles.

There are demarcation and I think the job that is there and world over people are going to make seats that are good for pedestrians, sittings that are less for vehicles but more for cycling and using non-motorized services. Therefore, I stand here to support this Motion and we need to move with in speed so that we can functionalize.

When we went to Statehouse all of us and I know Hon. Kirangu was one of us, we said we are going to support. I remember saying personally I will support the President a 110% more which means we are going to support; that is why we are here. Therefore, we cannot stand here again and say that we do not know that this thing should be halted, which cannot be halted since it long overdue.

Therefore, we need to speed up, functionalize and I agree with somebody who said we put a liaison group between NMS and us so that we have a committee that can liaise when we have issues instead of all of going to NMS; we have a committee that can present things in a structural way so that can be presented to NMS.

I also know that we can go to NMS in case we have an issue. I stand to support this Motion and we need to do it very fast. Thank you very much sir.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you.

Hon. Michael Ogada: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand to support the Motion as brought by Mheshimiwa Ogeto. I think what the Motion is timely in the sense of the times we are living in. We know that NMS and the County Executive are there; it is a unique situation and has never been experienced anywhere in Kenya. There is bound to be confusions not that they are deliberate but because of lack of pre-experience to even benchmark on.

It is upon us as an assembly to come in and arbitrate where necessary. One way of arbitration is coming with a Motion like this. This Motion talks about having approved guidelines which means that he is requesting the County Government in collaboration with the NMS to sit together and chart a way forward of how they are going to interact between themselves and that has to be approved by this assembly. The Members of this assembly have to look at the guidelines and proposals and we can make any necessary adjustments

Mr. Speaker, this is quite a timely suggestion by our Deputy Whip and I think members need to support. We have transferred functions which cannot be reverted back to the county government without a legal process taking place. If we need to know or understand what is in the deed, still we cannot revert it. The only thing we can do is to cure what is in the deed and make sure that the workers are comfortable. How can they be comfortable? Workers can be comfortable if they know their chain of command, who they report to. There has been an outcry from the members of staff who were transferred. One, we talk about the transferred functions and realize that some of the key revenue sectors went to the NMS. This means that the revenue which we used to collect went but the staff remained with us to pay them.

I raised that issue some time back that today given the normal circumstances we don't get more than 10 billion shillings in this county in terms of revenue. All of the ten billion shillings goes to the staff salaries. You understand the politics around the transferable share and all of it is supposed to go to the NMS. If we don't have guidelines and allow the staff being here, then definitely we have to pay them. How do you pay them if the high revenue streams have gone to the NMS and whatever we remain with are low revenue streams? This means that we are going to lack funds to pay staff. This is one of the reasons why we must look for a way of how to cure that problem.

The other issue is, there is a complaint from the Executive which I have been hearing from that side. That, some of the staff who have been forced to be seconded to the NMS are not from the sectors

that were transferred particularly the Inspectorate Sector. Most of them were transferred to the NMS but that is not a transferred function. Under these guidelines we are going to understand which staff have been transferred to that particular department and how many are remaining in the Executive. So that we can be able to know who we are supposed to pay and if we are supposed to pay all of them, how is NMS going to assist. It is also possible that we continue paying them from here but the money that they receive they will be wiring to the county every month so that we can cater for the staff. But if we don't have these guidelines, then it will be a shouting match between the Director General and the Governor of Nairobi.

I think it is in order for this assembly to come in handy and make sure that we force them to have clear guidelines of how the interaction is going to continue going forward so that we do not continue having the unnecessary demonstrations along the streets of Nairobi. Mr. Speaker I beg to support that this is the way to go. We need to force the Executive and the NMS to sit down within a given time and come up with clear guidelines of how they should interact particularly how the seconded staff are going to be taken care of and be paid. I beg to support.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you and very well put. Hon. Members, I understand the gist of the matter before I call the mover, is how to work on the teething problems basically and this House should be in charge. Members, because we have challenges with the ICT, that is the bottom line on how to circumvent and work on those teething problems taking cognizance that all those matters that are there, it is this House that should give directions. Mover!

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Thank you Hon Speaker for clarifying and ensuring that this Motion sees the light of the day. First, I want to thank the seconder of this Motion who is the Majority Leader and the Minority Whip, Hon. Melab, Hon. Pius Mbono, Hon. Kabiro, Hon. Ariviza, Hon. Leader of Minority and Hon. Anthony Kiragu for opposing this Motion.

Hon. Speaker, the gist of this Motion as I had said earlier as I reply is that, it is us to develop the guidelines so that we will not have staff shouting Guyo outside here. Our primary mandate is to legislate which means we legislate where things are not working right. The staff including the current County Secretary must be honest because he was part of signing this deed of transfer. The Hon. Mike Mbuvi Sonko was also part of signing the same deed of transfer.

Hon. Speaker, when the deed of transfer was signed, then later there were some complaints; this does not make sense. This House was involved as well, I remember all of us were called to the State House and we were told to support it. We agreed to support whatever the President was to bring which gave birth to the Nairobi Metropolitan Services. That is why when we are doing legislation in this House, we must be honest with each other.

I want to thank especially the Leader of Majority and Hon. Kabiro for emphasizing that this is the way we want to work. And tell the General who has been appointed as the Cabinet Secretary and now attends cabinet meetings that, despite all these this is how we want to work and this is by ensuring that the orders that were given by Justice Wasilwa have been fully complied with.

Hon. Speaker, I also want to thank your office for ensuring that this Motion saw the light of the day. We have been elected in this assembly to legislate and present people including the staff. I usually say that, insubordination to NMS is insubordination to the President, let us speak the truth. The moment you

want to insubordinate NMS, then you are insubordination the President and that is not the spirit. You can see the changes in Nairobi and in fact we should support NMS fully because of the developments we have witnessed in this city.

Hon. Speaker as I reply, I want to thank again all the members for making this Motion see the light of the day. I beg to reply. Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

Hon. Speaker: Order No. 9 on the Order Paper on the City County Appropriations Bill, it stands committed to the Budget Committee for records purposes. In my earlier communication on Thursday I announced that we will be having the election of the Deputy Speaker this afternoon. We are about to close in an hour's time for those who are willing to get the nomination papers. As the returning Officer, no canvassing of any form is allowed lest you will be disqualified, take note of that.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Speaker: There being no other business, the assembly stands adjourned to today Tuesday 15th September 2020 at 2.30 p.m. Thank you.

The House rose at 11.15 a.m.