



NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

OFFICIAL REPORT

Third County Assembly – Second Session

Thursday 2nd March 2023

The House met at 2.30 p.m.

[Hon. Deputy Speaker (Mr. Paul Kados) in the Chair]

PRAYER

QUORUM

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Clerk, is there quorum?

(The Clerk-at-the-Table confirmed there was no quorum)

Can you [Serjeant-at-Arms] ring the bell for ten minutes? Whips, kindly mobilize the Members.

(Quorum bell was rung)

Serjeant-at-Arms, ring the bell for 5 more minutes.

(Quorum bell was rung)

Clerk, we have gone for 15 minutes and still no quorum. Can we do another five minutes and get the deputies to mobilize their Members? Ring the bell for a further five minutes

(Quorum bell was rung)

Hon. Deputy Speaker: We have quorum. Clerk, can we start the Order of the day.

PAPERS

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY FISCAL STRATEGIC PAPER, 2023

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Majority Leader.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, pursuant to section 117 (1) of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012, I beg to lay the following Paper on the Table of this Assembly, today, Thursday 2nd March 2023:
The Nairobi City County Fiscal Strategic Paper, 2023. I beg to lay.

(The Paper was laid on the Table)

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY MEDIUM TERM DEBT MANAGEMENT STRATEGY PAPER FOR THE FY 2023

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, once again, pursuant to Section 123 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012, I beg to lay the following Paper on the Table of this Assembly, today, Thursday 2nd March 2023:

The Nairobi City County Medium Term Debt Management Strategy Paper for the financial year 2023.
Hon. Speaker, I beg to lay.

(The Paper was laid on the Table)

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Majority Leader. Clerk, can we go to the next Order?

STATEMENT

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Kamau Thuo. Use the next microphone.

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING ROAD BLOCKAGE AT THIGIRI LANE, NEW MUTHAIGA

Hon. Kamau Fiunifiu: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order 47(2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Transport and Public Works regarding road blockage at Thigiri Lane, New Muthaiga.

Hon. Speaker, Article 39 (1) of the Constitution of Kenya provides that, "Every person has the right to freedom of movement". Further, Section 10 (1) of the Nairobi City County Public Nuisance Act, 2021 stipulates, "No person shall attach, erect or permit the erection of any object from or alongside any street in such a manner so as to protrude over or into a street without a permit from the County"

Hon. Speaker, Karura Forest was gazetted in the year 1932 and sits at an estimated 1,041.3 hectares of forest reserve. The roads to access Karura Forest, Sigiria Block has always been through Thigiri lane. However, there have been concerted efforts to block the road reserve by a section of residents.

Hon. Speaker, the Kenya Urban Rural Authority (KURA) allegedly issued a recommendation letter prohibiting vehicular traffic on Thigiri Lane. This action has hindered the public from accessing Karura Forest, Sigiria Block which serves so many citizens in the County

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

- i. Whether Thigiri Lane along Thigiri Ridge Road is classified as a Nairobi City County Public Road;
- ii. If the County Executive is aware that there have been efforts to block Thigiri Lane by a section of residents;
- iii. Whether any public participation was conducted by KURA before recommending prohibition of vehicular traffic accessing Karura Forest, Sigiria Block on Thigiri Lane; and

- iv. Whether the County Executive is aware that KURA has recommended prohibition of public access to Karura Forest, Sigiria Block through Thigiri Lane. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.
- Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Fiunifiu. Hon. Chairperson of Transport, Hon. Musango.
- Hon. Musango Maithya:** Hon. Speaker, I am requesting for 14 days.
- Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Kamau, are you okay with 14 days?
- Hon. Kamau Fiunifiu:** I am okay with it, starting today. Thank you.
- Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Okay. Next Order!

MOTION

DEPLOYMENT OF TRAFFIC MARSHALS NEAR SCHOOLS FOR SCHOOL GOING CHILDREN'S SAFETY

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Perpetua. Anybody who is standing for Hon. Perpetua?

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, the Member informed me she will be a bit late because of the engagement she has on some important issues. If I may be allowed to move this Motion on her behalf, I seek your indulgence.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Are you going to move without her authority?

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Aware that I am the boss and a junior in hierarchy cannot give authority to the boss, the boss can be asked to stand in for.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Majority Leader, the Speaker does not have any communication. So, unless you have a communication or there is a written communication, you are out of order.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, unless I show you in WhatsApp, I did not print it. WhatsApp is a means of communication.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Majority Leader, it was not supposed to come to you, it was to be notified to the Speaker. I have not seen it; you are out of order. Next order!

(Hon. Imwatok spoke off the record)

Hon. Majority Leader, I told you you are out of order.

(Motion dropped)

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, there being no other business, the House stands adjourned to Tuesday 7th March 2023. Thank you.

The House rose at 3.18 p.m.