

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

OFFICIAL REPORT

Third County Assembly – Third Session

Wednesday 20th March 2024

The House met at 2.30 p.m.

[The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Diana Mwangangi) in the Chair]

PRAYER

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, you may be seated.

QUORUM

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Clerk, please confirm if we have quorum.

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

In accordance with Standing Order No. 37 (2) (b), I direct the Serjeant-at-Arms to ring the Bell for ten minutes.

(Quorum Bell was rung)

Hon. Samora, approach the Chair.

Serjeant-at-Arms, you are entertaining what is not allowed. Hon. Doreen, approach the Chair.

Serjeant-at-Arms, ring the Bell for a further five minutes.

(Quorum Bell was rung)

Hon. Members, we have attained the requisite quorum as per the Standing Orders. Clerk, proceed.

PETITION

ENCROACHMENT ON L.R 209/4401/841 BY NILE ROAD SECONDARY SCHOOL

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, we have a Petition by Jogoo Road Primary and Early Childhood Development Education School regarding encroachment on L.R 209/4401/841 by Nile Road Secondary School in Nairobi City County.

We, the undersigned teachers, board of management, parents and members of Jogoo Road Primary School and Early Childhood Development Education Community within Nairobi City County, draw the attention of the County Assembly of Nairobi to the following: -

AWARE THAT, Article 185 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 vests the legislative authority and oversight of the County Government in the County Assembly;

THAT, Article 62 of the Constitution mandates the County Government to hold in trust public land in trust of County residents;

THAT, the Kenya National Land Use Policy, 2017 recognizes the need for social development that takes cognizant of provision of basic infrastructure and services;

THAT, whereas Section 5 (e) of the National Land Commission Act, 2012 requires the Commission to initiate investigations into present or historical land injustices and recommend appropriate redress;

THAT, Article 43 (1) of the Constitution of Kenya provides that every person has the right to education;

THAT, Section 76 to 85 of the Basic Education Act, Cap 211B (Laws of Kenya) provides for licensing, registration and accreditation procedures for basic education;

THAT, Section Six of the Early Childhood Education Act, Cap 211B (Laws of Kenya) provides that each County Government shall, in promoting the right to early childhood education;

THAT, Article 53 (1) (b) of the Constitution of Kenya provides that every child has the right to free and compulsory basic education;

THAT, Section 5 of the Basic Education Act, Cap 211B (Laws of Kenya) provides for the functions of the National Education Board to advise the Cabinet Secretary in charge of the Ministry of Education, the Department of Education, and related departments on policy matters in respect to Section 37 of the Early Childhood Education Act Cap 211B (Laws of Kenya) provides that each County Government shall be responsible for the overall governance and management of early childhood centres within their respective County. Further, the County Executive Committee Member in each County in charge of Education shall, in consultation with the County Education Board, determine the early childhood education resources and infrastructure requirements within the County.

Hon. Members, you can proceed and get seated.

(Several Hon. Members entered the Chamber)

THAT, the Jogoo Road Primary and Early Childhood Development Education is a public primary school established and located on L.R No. 209/4401/841;

THAT, the school population over the years has grown steadily and currently has a population of approximately 400 learners. This has led to congestions and pressure on the existing school amenities facilities. More so, the number is expected to tremendously increase in the course of this year 2024 and subsequent years, with the introduction of the Junior Secondary School programme;

THAT, within the school, there is Nile Road Girls Secondary School who have been hosted on a temporary basis since 2009 after issues arose with its main school. Nile Road Special School, which had been allowed only to take in learners with special needs but instead disregarded the same and took learners without any disability for its secondary education section Form 1-Form 4 in complete violation of its own policy, thereby affecting the transition from primary to secondary school for its learners;

THAT, the hosting of Nile Road Girls Secondary School was to be temporary and the aforementioned school was to leave upon purchase of land in Ruai and building of its school therein;

THAT, however, despite the purchase of the Ruai land, Nile Road Secondary School has completely and blatantly refused to move for over a decade now and the petitioners require the space currently occupied by Nile Road Secondary School to cater for the high enrolment in its primary section and junior secondary, and the competency based curriculum;

THAT, whereas the petitioners confirm that efforts have been made to have the matter addressed by the relevant body failed to give a satisfactory response;

THAT, all the matters in respect of which the Petition is raised, are not pending before any court of law or constitutional body;

NOW THEREFORE, your humble petitioners pray that the County Assembly of Nairobi intervenes to ensures that:

- a) The Nile Road Girls Secondary School urgently vacates from L.R No. 209/4401/841 owned by Jogoo Road Primary School to Ruai land to pave way for establishment of laboratories and other needed amenities to cater for the rising population;
- b) The Nairobi City County Government in conjunction with the relevant organs, to stop the ongoing construction of a storey building in the petitioners' land without the necessary approvals and in complete violation of the Nairobi City County By-Laws; and
- c) The Nairobi City County Government to secure the said land and hold it in trust on behalf of the Jogoo Road Primary School and Early Childhood Development Education and Nairobians at large.

And your petitioners will forever pray.

Presented by Hon. Speaker, on behalf of the board of management, parents and members of Jogoo Road Primary School and Early Childhood Development Education Community, and by extension all residents of Nairobi City County.

This Petition stands committed to the Planning Committee. Clerk, let us proceed.

PAPER

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY SUPPLEMENTARY (I) BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR FY 2023-2024

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Hashim Kamau.

Hon. Hashim Kamau: Thank you, Madam Speaker. On behalf of the Leader of Majority, pursuant to provisions of Section 135 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 and Standing Order No. 234 (1), I beg to lay the following Paper on the Table of the Assembly, today, Wednesday 20th March 2024:

The Nairobi City County Government Supplementary I Budget Estimates the Year 2023-2024. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

(The Paper was laid on the Table)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Pursuant to Standing Order No.234 (1), the Paper as laid by Hon. Hashim Kamau, on behalf of the Majority Leader, is hereby committed to the Budget Committee.

STATEMENTS

BUSINESS APPEARING BEFORE THE ASSEMBLY FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING WEDNESDAY 20TH MARCH 2024

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Nicholas Okwacho.

Hon. Nicholas Okwacho: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order 47 (2) (a), on behalf of the Assembly Business Committee, I rise to give the following Statement regarding the Business appearing before the Assembly for the week beginning Wednesday 20th March 2024 at 2.30. p.m.

Hon. Speaker, the Assembly Business Committee met on Tuesday 19th March 2024 to allocate business for the week for consideration by this assembly. In that regard, allow me to brief the Assembly as follows: -

That, today, Wednesday 20th March 2024, under Order No. 8, the Assembly will be considering the Motion by the Member for Clay City Ward, Hon. Mwaura Samora urging the County Executive to:

- 1. Develop a policy on the use and management of clean renewable and sustainable energy;
- 2. Install solar power in all County offices to ensure an interrupted service delivery to the residents of Nairobi County.

Further, on Thursday 21st March 2024, under Order Nos. 8 and 9, the Assembly will be considering the following:

- a) The report of the Select Committee on Public Investment on fact finding visit to various Nairobi City County water outposts, held from 15th to 20th January 2024, laid on the Table of the Assembly on Tuesday 12th March 2024; and
- b) The Motion by the Leader of Majority to adjourn the County Assembly until Tuesday 2nd April 2024 in accordance with the Assembly Calendar.

Lastly, Hon. Speaker, on Tuesday 2nd April 2024, under Order No. 8, the Assembly will be considering the Motion by the Member for Kileleshwa Ward, Hon. Robert Alai, urging the County Executive to develop and implement a comprehensive Integrated Transport Management system that shall and encompass Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), underground metro and light rail transport (LRT) public service buses and motor bikes to facilitate seamless mobility across the City and its environs.

Hon. Speaker, Assembly Business Committee urges members of this Assembly to familiarize with the aforementioned report and motions, and prepare accordingly for debate, through the help of the Research Department. Details of the reports and motions can be obtained in the Notice Paper, being the last page of the today's Order Paper or online on the Assembly's website.

Hon. Speaker, the Assembly Business Committee shall be informing this Assembly through its designee the allotted business every Wednesday during the Statements Hour for timely preparations.

Finally, Hon. Speaker, the Assembly Business Committee will meet again on Tuesday 2nd April 2024 at the rise of the Assembly to ballot business for the subsequent week.

I now wish to lay the Statement on the Table of the Assembly. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING ALLEGED UNAUTHORIZED DEVELOPMENTS IN NAIROBI WEST WARD

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Rex Omolleh? Yes Hon. Eutychus. Serjeant-at-Arms, facilitate the communication device for Hon. Eutychus Mukiri.

Hon. Eutychus Muriuki: Thank you Hon. Speaker, the device is working. I rise to read the Statement on behalf of Hon. Rex Omolleh. May I proceed?

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Proceed.

Hon. Eutychus Muriuki: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order...

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Order, Chair Planning Committee!

Hon. Eutychus Muriuki: 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 Lands. Planning and Housing regarding the alleged unauthorized developments in Nairobi County, and specifically in Nairobi West Ward.

Hon. Speaker, County Governments have been mandated under Part II of the Fourth Schedule to the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 to oversee County planning and development, which includes approving construction of buildings in consultation with other state agencies. As such, all building development plans must be approved by the County Government and adhered to by all developers.

Hon. Speaker, it is alleged that a private developer has grabbed a land, LR.NO. 37/264/1 in Nairobi West Ward and is in possession of approvals for a plot in South C Ward, which he is using to develop the said land. Further, the said building (Big Flice) has been built on top of a drainage system, which not only poses a health hazard to the residents, but also likely to clog the drainage system of the entire area.

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

- i. Whether the developer of land LR.NO. 37/264/1 has approvals from the County Government of Nairobi and details of the said approvals be provided;
- ii. Whether a site inspection visit was conducted by the relevant authority before approval of plans on land LR.NO. 37/264/1 in Nairobi West ward; and
- iii. Measures the County Executive is taking to combat occurrences such as willful obstruction of laid out public infrastructure by private developers going forward. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Alvin, Chair of Planning Committee?

Hon. Alvin Palapala: Madam Speaker, kindly can the Member repeat the Statement because he started reading when I was entering?

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Why were you late and you know you have a duty to be here on time?

Hon. Alvin Palapala: Madam Speaker, I was attending to other special matters.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Eutychus Mukiri.

Hon. Eutychus Muriuki: Madam Speaker, as I was starting to read, the Chair was busy and you even gave him an order to be attentive. But I will repeat for the sake of the residents of Nairobi West Ward.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Please do. And let this be a final warning to Chair, Planning. You should be responsible enough to come to the Assembly on time.

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- Measures the County Executive is taking to combat occurrences such as willful obstruction of laid out public infrastructure by private developers going forward.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Alvin Palapala: I have heard your Statement, and we will take two weeks to respond. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Eutychus Mukiri, are you comfortable with the time? **Hon. Eutychus Muriuki:** Thank you, Hon. Speaker, I am comfortable.

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING ONGOING AND UNREGULATED DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES IN KILELESHWA WARD

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Robert Alai.

Hon. Robert Alai: 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 Lands, Planning and Housing regarding the ongoing and unregulated development activities within the residential area on parcels of land LR No. Block 23/576 and LR No. Block 23/577 owned by Teleposta Pension Fund along Mwingi Road in Kileleshwa Ward.

Hon. Speaker, there is an ongoing construction of unregulated buildings on parcels of land LR No. Block 23/576 and LR No. Block 23/577 owned by Teleposta Pension Fund which are alleged to be have been leased to one Zacharia Baraza, a known land merchant with a controversial history of land grabbing and unauthorized development.

Hon. Speaker, the ongoing constructions of commercial structures in a residential area without clear approvals and change of use contrary to the provisions of the law. In addition, the construction has not only led to illegal felling of over forty-year-old trees but has contributed to the degradation of the aesthetic value and ecological balance of the neighbourhood, noting that it is from the very trees that we derive the oxygen we breath.

Hon. Speaker, it is alleged that the process of obtaining approvals from the County Planning Department was obscure without due process in line with the provisions of the County Planning and development procedures.

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

- i. Whether there was approval of the change of user on the parcels of land LR No. Block 23/576 and LR No. Block 23/577 from residential to commercial;
- ii. Whether the public was consulted in the change of user of the said parcels of lands provide evidence;
- iii. Approval and copy of construction permit of commercial buildings on the parcels of land LR No. Block 23/576 and LR No. Block 23/577; and
- iv. Measures the County Executive is taking to ensure strict adherence to the planning and development guidelines including public participation in future development. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Chair Planning, respond.

Hon. Alvin Palapala: I wanted to confirm if Mheshimiwa Alai is done with the Statement? I thought he had two statements.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Kindly, give an undertaking to the one he has read.

Hon. Alvin Palapala: Madam Speaker, I request for three weeks to respond because I want to do thorough investigations.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Alai, what do you have to say about that?

Hon. Robert Alai: Hon. Speaker, I beg to ask the Chairman of Planning Committee that he needs to take the business of the House seriously, considering that I have statements within the committee which have never been addressed up to date. When I hear of three weeks, I do not see the seriousness of the Committee Chairman in addressing these matters. I ask that the Statement be given the urgency it requires because I was physically assaulted on the piece of land. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Chair, Planning, review your timelines.

Hon. Alvin Palapala: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I was not aware that Mheshimiwa Alai was assaulted over the matter. Because of this, we will take two weeks.

Hon. Robert Alai: Hon. Speaker, that is okay with me.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Alai, you have another statement request?

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS IN ACTING CAPACITY

Hon. Robert Alai: Hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 47 (2) (c). I wish to request for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding the appointment of officers in acting capacity especially the County Secretary.

Hon. Speaker, Section 34 of the Public Service Commission Act, 2023 provides for appointment of officers in acting capacity. The Act states that an officer may be appointed in an acting capacity for a period of at least thirty days but not exceeding a period of six months.

Hon. Speaker, in April, 2023, His Excellency the Governor appointed Mr. Patrick Analo as the County Secretary in acting capacity following the disapproval by the County Assembly of appointment of Dr. Jairus Musumba as the County Secretary.

Hon. Speaker, Section 10 of the Public Appointment (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 states that:

"Where the nomination of a candidate is rejected by a County Assembly, the appointing authority nomination, shall submit to the County Assembly the name of another candidate, and the procedure for approval specified in this Act shall apply accordingly".

Hon. Speaker protect me from the Chairman Culture.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Chair, Culture, what is the issue? Give the Hon. Member time to prosecute his request for Statement. Hon. Alai, proceed.

Hon. Robert Alai: Hon. Speaker, the Acting County Secretary who is the head of the County Public Service, is also the County Chief Officer for Urban Development and Planning, and is responsible for effective and efficient performance of public service within the County.

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

- i. Whether the County Executive has complied with the provisions of Section 34 of the Public Service Commission Act, 2023;
- ii. On the period a public officer can be appointed in an acting capacity; and
- iii. Plans the appointing authority has to nominate, for the County Assembly's approval, a suitable person for the appointment as County Secretary in line with the provisions of Section 10 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017.

Hon. Speaker, I beg to request. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Is the Chairman of Labour Committee in the House? Vice Chair of Labour? Do we have any Member of the Labour Committee present to make the undertaking on behalf of the Committee? Hon. Nyangicha, proceed.

Hon. Evans Nyangicha: Thank you, Madam Speaker. We request for three weeks, on behalf of my Chairman.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Alai, is three weeks okay with you?

Hon. Robert Alai: Hon. Speaker, three weeks is okay. Thank you.

Point of Order

Hon. Temporary Speaker: What is your point of Order?

Hon. Sospeter Mumbi: Hon. Speaker, I rise under Standing Order 47 (2) (c). I had requested for a Statement from the Planning Committee back in October last year, but up to date, I have never gotten response from the Committee.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Sospeter, that is a concern that has been raised by other Members who had requested for statements. And there was a communication by the Chair that on

the 14th of April, all the chairpersons with pending statements should be able to give a response. So, kindly wait. If after 14th April your Statement will still be pending, it will be addressed.

MOTION

INSTALLATION OF SOLAR POWER IN THE COUNTY PREMISES AND CLEAN ENERGY POLICY

Hon. Samora Mwaura: Thank you, Madam Speaker.

THAT, aware that paragraph 8 of Part II of the Fourth Schedule to the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 provides for electricity and energy regulation as a function of the Government;

FURTHER AWARE that all societies require energy services to meet basic human needs such as lighting, cooking, space comfort, mobility, communication and to serve productive processes;

COGNIZANT that for development to be sustainable, delivery of energy services need to be secure and have low environmental impacts;

CONCERNED that frequent power outage across the County has immense effect on the various sectors of the economy such as industries, hospitals, businesses amongst other service providers;

FURTHER CONCERNED that the power outage opens an avenue for criminal activities like break-ins given that alarms and surveillance systems, electric fences and other security protocols are disabled in premises that primarily rely on Kenya Power supply;

ACKNOWLEDGING that the County Assembly is the process of enacting a legislation on clean, renewable and sustainable energy which will offer opportunity to contribute to social l and economic development, energy access, secure energy supply, climate change mitigation, and the reduction of negative environmental and health impacts;

THIS ASSEMBLY urges the County Executive to:

- 1. Develop a policy on the use and management of clean, renewable and sustainable energy; and
- 2. Install solar power in all County offices to ensure uninterrupted timely service delivery to residents of Nairobi City County

Madam Speaker, in support of this Motion that was informed by the constant power outages especially on the Executive side of the County, the biggest problem in the County is the power bills. According to my investigation, power bills always range between hundreds of millions of shillings, and the County is always behind schedule in payment these power bills. That is why more often than not, Kenyan Power is always interrupting the power supply for the County. Many times when Members go to pursue issues of their wards and other activities, they have to use stairs up to the 13th floor of the City Hall Annex because the lift is not working due to power outage.

In Kenya, according to research and scientific study, lies in the zones that have the biggest harvest of power energy, up to 6.5 kilowatts per day. This Motion is aimed at urging the Nairobi County Government to install solar panels in all its buildings. I am happy to say that this is already

in motion because if you go to the Executive side, you will find a good section of their roof with solar panels, which were installed as an emergency power source for the data center. They understand well that this data center is a very sensitive place that is handling real-time data for various functions of the County. So, the solar panels were installed to make sure that when Kenya power misbehaves, there is always power backup.

If we adopt this policy and make it wholesale, if you do calculations of the entire roof area given that the amount of energy that one solar panel can produce, you will find that the energy supply that will be provided by that installation is enough to do lighting and maybe heating. This will kill two birds with one stone, Madam Speaker. It will help in:

- 1. Lowering the power bills;
- 2. It will be a backup. Sometimes you are in a meeting in a boardroom and all of a sudden the power supply is cut and the microphones go off. Therefore, that is one of the things that I think will go far in trying to mitigate this; and
- 3. This policy can also be adopted for key health facilities like Mbagathi and Mama Lucy, among others. You find that most of the time in those facilities when there is a power outage and there are sensitive installations like incubators, ICU and HDU which support life, there is always a crisis.

Madam Speaker, that is the motivation for this. We will not be reinventing the wheel by coming up with this policy. The world-leading consumer of solar power or clean energy is Germany. If you look at the solar supply in Germany per year, it is less than a quarter of what Nairobi gets. Meaning that if this is adopted in all County buildings, we will be pioneering. In Germany, for example, they have come up with a policy whereby if a building taps into solar energy, you supply to the grid and then you pay less of what you have supplied every month. So, it is a policy that if adopted by the Nairobi City County, it can go far in preparing the ground for the green energy policy that is being prepared through a Bill in this House.

Madam Speaker, that is motivation, and I believe all Members of this Assembly are progressive-minded. We believe in clean energy and climate change mitigation. That is why we have been supporting the ongoing Bill. The future of energy is green. Nairobi being the capital city, should be leading in everything. This is where all things progressive should start. This Motion intends to make Nairobi a pioneer in the provision and adoption of green energy.

With those few words of support, I welcome Members to support this progressive Motion, which I believe is key. I would like to call Hon. Sospeter to second this Motion. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Sospeter Mumbi: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Without taking much time, allow me to second this Motion. I thank Hon. Samora for coming up with such a good Motion. However, we are not gurus in that field of solar, but we know basic information. The advantages that come with solar energy are visible; things that we can see with our naked eyes.

One of the key things I want to appreciate about the Motion, is how it is going to help the environment because it is environmentally friendly. Secondly, it is also reliable because on number of occasions even in our respective houses, we have spent nights without power, especially

nowadays we have had regular power shortages. But with solar energy, we are guaranteed that throughout the night and in our companies, there is continuous production due to the availability of reliable energy.

The other thing we cannot dismiss is the fact that solar energy is cost-effective. In many slums, we can see how people tap into power because they are not able to meet the bills that come with the connection to power. With solar, many people will be connected and they will be able to enjoy the privileges that come with solar.

Lastly, we have seen many countries have embraced solar power, for example, the Netherlands. I have a friend there who has connected her house with solar. She told me that she normally receives some incentive on a monthly basis; she gets some returns from the government for having for installing solar. That in itself tells you how developed countries continue to adopt solar. It is high time for us as a country and as a County to also adopt the same. With that much, I rise to second that Motion. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, you may proceed to debate. Hon. Silas Matara.

Hon. Silas Matara: Thank you, Chair for this opportunity. I would also like to appreciate the senior Member for bringing such a Motion to this House. I support this Motion on several aspects. One of them is that, everyone is alive to the fact climate change is an issue that is bedeviling the world currently, with its adverse effects such as drought, hunger, and conflicts especially in the war-torn areas. In relation to this Motion, one of the contributors to climate change is fossil fuels, and one of the sources that the country uses in the generation of electricity is diesel-propelled engines.

When Nairobi County gets to install solar panels in all its facilities, it means we are going to reduce the amount of energy that we consume. Also, we will have a reduction in the power bills that we accumulate each month, and that money can be utilized in other sectors.

Most importantly, in our sector, we are coming up with the Climate Change Bill, a proposal by Mheshimwa Waithera Chege. In it, there is an aspect of having a multi-sectoral approach towards alleviating and mitigating the issues to do with climate change. So, the provision that is going to be made towards realizing this policy and putting up the infrastructure; the solar panels and whatever else is required, means that the Transport and Mobility Sector will have already initiated the program that marries with the Bill that is in the Third Reading.

There is a lot of funding in this sector. The County, through the Donor Coordination Sector by His Excellency the Governor, can be able to seek multilateral support from the multinational corporations, partners, and intergovernmental organizations towards the realization of this Motion. So, money will not be an issue.

It is good that Mheshimiwa has brought it to this House so that the progress can start concurrently towards the realization of a greener, safer and energy-efficient County. With those few remarks, I beg to support this Motion. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: I do not see any requests from anyone who wants to contribute to this Motion. Before I call upon the mover to reply, make an attempt to catch the eye of the Speaker. I now call upon the mover to reply.

Hon. Samora Mwaura: Thank you, Madam Speaker...

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hold on, let us allow Chair of Culture Committee.

Hon. Clarence Munga: Thank you, Madam Speaker for giving me the opportunity to support the Motion before us today. I congratulate Hon Samora for coming up with this very nice Motion. The intention of this Motion is to ensure that we comply with a new aspect of renewable energy. If you look at the most developed countries in the world, they are gearing up towards renewable energies such as solar in lighting up homes and streets. If Nairobi County can adopt that, the bills that accrue from Kenya Power will reduce. We need to tap the opportunities where investors are investing in countries that are clean and energy friendly. So, this is an opportunity for us as a County to develop this policy, and at the same time ensure that we cut on the Kenya Power bills.

This Assembly also needs install solar for lighting up the Assembly. So, this is good initiative. I support the Motion. Thank you very much.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Helen Okello.

Hon. Hellen Okello: Asante sana, Bi Spika kwa kunipa fursa hii. Nampongeza mwenyekiti kwa kuleta Mswada huu kwa wakati ufaao. Ni kweli kuwa sisi wote tunakubaliana kuwa gharama ya maisha imeenda juu. Huu Mswada hautasaidia tu wananchi kupunguza *bills* za stima pekee bali pia utasaidia kwa *climate change*...

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Mheshimiwa Hellen, maneno mawili hapo; ya kwanza ni gharama ya stima, na ya pili unaweza sema mazingira. Endelea.

Hon. Hellen Okello: Asante, Bi Spika kwa kunirekebisha. Tunapotumia mwangaza wa nguvu ya jua, tutakuwa na mazingira mazuri na pia hatutatumia pesa nyingi kwa kulipa *bills* za stima. Ukiangalia ofisi zetu za Kaunti na hospitali zetu, mara nyingi utapata stima zimepotea na hawana uwezo wa kutumia *generator*. *Solar* itakuja wakati ufaao na bei yake itakuwa nafuu; unanunua tu mara moja na hakuna malipo ya kila mwezi. Kwa hayo machache, napenda kuunga mkono. Asante, Bi Spika

Hon. Temporary Speaker: *Kuna* mwingine yeyote anataka kuchangia mswada huu? Hakuna. *I now call upon the mover to reply.*

Hon. Samora Mwaura: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I would like to thank Members for their immense support for this Motion. I believe going forward, after the Motion is passed, policymakers will adopt it and run away with it because there are many benefits that Nairobians will gain. With those few remarks, I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, we have come to the close of business today. We resume tomorrow, Thursday 21st March 2024 at 2:30 p.m.

The House rose at 4:02 p.m.