

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

OFFICIAL REPORT

Third County Assembly – Third Session

Thursday 5th December 2024

The House met at 2.30 p.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. Kennedy Ng'ondi) in the Chair]

PRAYER

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, you may be seated. Clerk, kindly proceed.

PETITIONS

Hon. Speaker: Hon Members, good afternoon. I have got several Petitions to convey.

ADHERENCE TO ZONING REGULATIONS AND QUALITY STANDARDS ON BUILDINGS

The first one is by Kilimani, Kileleshwa, Westlands, Parklands and South C residents, on adherence to zoning regulations in accordance with Nairobi Integrated Urban Development Plan(NIUPLAN), lack of public participation, construction non-approval and lack of follow up inspection to ensure adherence to quality standards on buildings in Nairobi City County. It reads:

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED citizens of Kenya who are residents of Kilimani, Kileleshwa, Westlands. South C and Parklands in Nairobi 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 Governments in the County Assembly;

THAT WHEREAS Article 42 of the Constitution further provides that every person has the right to a clean and healthy environment;

THAT, the Constitution requires the government to take measures for the protection of the environment and proper use of natural resources for the benefit of the present and future generations;

THAT WHEREAS Article 69 (2) of the Constitution of Kenya requires the Government to work with relevant actors in conserving the environment and natural resources; ...

Hon Alvin Olando, I don't expect you to be on phone at the plenary, and especially now that I am reading Petition directed to your Sector. Kindly take the business of this House seriously. You stand guided.

Hon Members, you may proceed. Serjeant-at-Arms, please.

(Several Members entered the Chamber)

THAT, before commencing any development, developers must seek approval from the County Government;

THAT WHEREAS the Constitution requires participation of the public in all decisionmaking process such as the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process and that accurate information regarding any intended decision be provided to the public in a timely manner:

THAT WHEREAS Environmental Impact Assessment regulations require that owners of all projects under planning which EIA is required as well as NEMA to seek views of all persons that may be affected by the projects being planned;

THAT WHEREAS the National Construction Authority (NCA) is responsible for project regulation and issuance of site compliance certificates, mandatory construction site inspection for quality assurance purposes as well as enforcement of the Building Code;

THAT WHEREAS the County Government Act requires each City or Municipality to have land use plans for buildings as well as zoning locations of recreational and public facilities:

THAT WHEREAS the Nairobi County Government has an existing Master Plan being the Nairobi Integrated Development Master Plan (NIUPLAN), 2014, which provides for zoning of various residential and commercial areas and number of storeys per each apartment to be developed;

THAT, Kilimani, Kileleshwa, Westlands, South C and Parklands are among other areas in Nairobi City County that have witnessed massive and unabated spring up of Skyscrapers that are posing health hazard to the residents such as lack of natural lighting, insufficient airflow, noise pollution etc.;

(Hon. Kamau Fiunifiu consulted loudly)

Serjeant-at-Arms, please, we don't have the mic. Hon Fiunifiu, kindly find somewhere else to seat so that you don't engage the Leader of Majority on...

Hon Members, you need to take the business of this Assembly seriously because things like this are touching on your responsibility as an elected leader. So, if this bypasses your ears then now it means you won't even have an opportunity to implement something you are never keen to understand.

THAT WHEREAS owners of these apartments currently under construction have not conducted public Participation and where done, not adequately done since no notice given to residents and are shambolic with hired goons; THAT WHEREAS, majority of these project owners have not obtained the necessary change of user and completion of the said projects are done with protection of rogue City County Planning officials, rogue National Construction Authority officials;

THAT, in order to evade protests from the residents and evade law, the contractors are have resulted to carry out their work past officials working being before 0800hrs and past 0500hrs Monday to Friday and throughout during weekends:

THAT, Nairobi City County has been experiencing collapsing of a number of buildings under construction and even others already occupied due to lack of adherence of building code posing risks to the Nairobi residents;

THAT, developers on the said areas have gone to an extent of encroaching on public schools' land, public markets, recreational centers and riparian lands;

THAT, some of the apartments/constructions in question include: -

- City Park Drive;
- Kilimani Likoni Lane;
- Kilimani Mbaazi Avenue behind Valley Arcade;
- Kilimani Ndemi Road;
- Riara Junction opposite Junction Mall;
- South C Mugoya;
- Parklands Taza Lane;
- Parklands City Park Drive;
- Westlands Church Road;
- Parklands Fifth Avenue; and
- South B Kapiti Estate.

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

AND 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 City County intervenes and ensure that; -

- a) Investigations on operations of the subjects' developers be done within Nairobi City County, in particular Sky Valley Kenya Co. Ltd, Blissful Residences Investment Ltd, and Ameey Homes Ltd, with a view of unearthing the circumstances under which they got approvals and licenses to operate from Nairobi City County Government, NEMA and NCA;
- b) Cancellation of all approvals and operating Licenses by non-compliant contractors;
- c) After investigations, a recommendation be done to sanction, suspend, blacklist and take any other necessary legal action to punish law non-binding developers, contractors and all other relevant rogue officers from Government to curb such misfortune in future; and

d) Formulate and enact new and existing laws to the latter by relevant authorities to curb this menace.

And we will forever pray.

Presented by Hon. Speaker, on behalf of the residents of Kilimani, Kileleshwa, Westlands, South C and Parklands, and by extension all residents of Nairobi County.

I now commit the Petition to the Planning Committee.

REMOVAL OF ILLEGAL STRUCTURES

ERECTED AT A PLOT IN UMOJA II MATATU STAGE

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, I have a further Petition to relay by Charles Ng'ang'a Kimani on removal of illegal structures erected around plot No. CU46943 at Umoja II Matatu Stage in Nairobi City County.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED citizens of Kenya who are residents of Umoja II 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 Governments in the County Assembly;

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

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 WHEREAS Section 116 of the County Governments Act, 2012 imposes an obligation on the County Government and its agencies to deliver services within its designated area of jurisdiction. Further, Section 117 (1) (a) of the Act provides that, the County Government shall give priority to basic needs of the public to ensure that all members of the public have access to basic services;

THAT, before commencing any development, developers must seek approval from the County Government;

THAT, the plot No CU469/443 is a public land that was reserved for the use of public matatu stage;

THAT, a private developer has invaded the said public land and erected illegal structures despite a prior ruling by the Nairobi City County and Embakasi West Sub-County illegal;

THAT, the said developer, who is a former Member of parliament for the Embakasi West, has erected these structures without any approval by the relevant authority from the County Government;

THAT, despite the petitioners adhering to Nairobi County by-laws by paying necessary land rates and ground rent, the illegal structures in question have impacted negatively on the residents by blocking their businesses, used as a hide out for youths who engage in crime in the area, and have created environmental hazards forcing many tenants to vacate;

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

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

HEREFORE, your humble Petitioners pray that the County Assembly of Nairobi City County intervenes and ensure that: -

- a) The National Land Commission and all the relevant bodies furnishes the Nairobi City County with the deed plans to facilitate and solve the dispute herein;
- b) The Nairobi City County Government in conjunction with the relevant organs to bring down the illegal structures being developed on plot No CU469/443 and legal action be taken against the developer and any other Government officer(s) who might have participated in the illegality;
- c) The said land be surrendered back to the Nairobi City County Government and give appropriate deed plans in respect to the public utility land in issue herein; and
- d) The Nairobi City County Government to secure the said land and hold it in trust on behalf of the Umoja II residents and Nairobians at large.

And your Petitioners will forever pray.

Hon. Members, the same is committed to the Lands and Housing Committee for action. The Chair of Budget, you may proceed.

(Hon. Wilfred Odalo entered the Chamber)

OWNERSHIP OF DANDORA DUMPSITE LAND

Hon. Speaker: Lastly, still on Petitions, this is a Petition by Francis Kuria on behalf of Dandora dumpsite landowners on dumpsite ownership in Nairobi City County.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED citizens of Kenya who are residents of Komarock Estate Phase 3A in Embakasi Sub-County 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 Governments in the County Assembly:

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

THAT, the Kenya National Land Use Policy, 2017 recognizes the need for social development that takes cognizance 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 WHEREAS, Section 116 of the County Governments Act, 2012 imposes an obligation on the County Government and its agencies to deliver services within its designated area of jurisdiction. Further, Section 117 (1) (a) of the Act provides that the County Government shall give priority to basic needs of the public to ensure that all members of the public have access to basic services;

THAT, Dandora dumpsite is an important space to the Nairobi City County Government where all waste collected from across the County is disposed;

THAT, where the dumpsite sits originally belonged to a group of residents of Nairobi City County by deed of letters of allotment given by the then defunct County Council of Nairobi in 1910s by way of a balloting process, and that they have been paying premiums and rents on their respective pieces of land;

THAT, despite the complete of repurposing of the dumpsite by the Nairobi City County Government, the owners of the said pieces of land are yet to be neither contacted nor compensated;

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

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

NOW THEREFORE, our humble prayer is that, the Nairobi City County: -

- a) The National Land Commission and all the relevant bodies furnishes the Nairobi City County with the deed plans to facilitate and solve the dispute herein; and
- b) Nairobi City County Government be directed with immediate effect to commerce the process of relocating the dumpsite and subsequently removal of waste from the said parcels of land in order to allow the owners to either develop them or be compensated.

And I will forever pray.

Presented by the Hon. Speaker on behalf of Dandora Dumpsite land owners.

The same is committed to the Lands and Housing Committee for consideration. Thank you.

PAPERS

REPORT ON ENQUIRY INTO PANGANI AND JEEVANJEE AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS

Hon. Alvin Palapala: Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 196, I beg to lay the following Paper on the Table of this Assembly, today, Thursday 5th December 2024:

The report of the Sectoral Committee on Lands, Planning and Housing on enquiry to Pangani and Jeevanjee Affordable Housing Projects in the County.

(The Paper was laid on the Table)

REPORT OF ROADS, TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE ON WORKSHOP HELD AT LAKE NAIVASHA RESORT, NAKURU COUNTY

Hon. Speaker: Under No. (ii), the report of the Roads and Transport Committee. The Chairperson?

Hon. Musango Maithya: Hon. Speaker, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 196, I beg to lay the following Paper on the Table of this Assembly, today, Thursday 5th December 2024:

The report of the Sectoral Committee on Roads, Transport and Public Works on the workshop held from 26th to 29th August 2024 at Lake Naivasha Resort, Nakuru County. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

(The Paper was laid on the Table)

CONSIDERATION OF GOVERNOR'S MEMORANDUM ON NAIROBI COUNTY EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION BILL, 2024

Hon. Speaker: The report of the Committee on Early Childhood Education and Vocational Training. The Vice-Chair or a Member? You are tasked with the...

Hon. Hellen Okello: Yes, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Kindly proceed.

Hon. Hellen Okello: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order Nos. 152 (a) and 196, I beg to lay the following Paper on the Table of this Assembly, today, Thursday 5th December 2024:

The report of the Sectoral Committee on Early Childhood, Education and Vocational Training on the consideration of the Governor's memorandum on the Nairobi City County Early Childhood Development and Education Bill, 2024.

(The Paper was laid on the Table)

Point of Order

Hon. Speaker: Yes, Hon. Majority Leader.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, looking at the circumstances around, I seek your indulgence if I can change the sequence of the House so that I can go to Order No. 10, after the Notices of Motion.

Hon. Speaker: The Hon. Majority Leader, please give me some time. As we proceed, I will communicate on your request.

NOTICE OF MOTION

ADOPTION OF REPORT ON INQUIRY INTO

PANGANI AND JEEVANJEE AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Alvin, please.

Hon. Alvin Palapala: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, once again. Hon. Speaker, I beg to give a Notice of the following Motion:

THAT, this Assembly adopts the report of the Sectoral Committee on Lands, Planning and Housing on inquiry into Pangani and Jeevanjee Affordable Housing Projects in the County. I beg to lay the Notice.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, the Chair has given a Notice of Motion, I hope you are taking a keen interest so that when the Motion shall be coming up, you will be up to speed to either contribute or get the relevance in the Motion. You know how the issue of the Jeevanjee has played out. The Committee on Planning has done their report. You need time to interrogate the report and during the debate, you will have the opportunity.

You may recall when Hon. Alai wanted the matter to be handled in the Committee of the Whole Assembly. So, now is the time when you will have the time to interrogate and subsequently approve or disapprove the report. Hon. Members, you so stand guided.

Hon. Anthony Maragu, on Notice of Motion. Is Hon. Maragu in the House? It stands deferred. Hon. D. N. G., on Notice of Motion on the change of name of City Mortuary from to Nairobi City County Funeral Home. D. N. G. *hayuko*? Clerk, proceed.

STATEMENTS

RESPONSE TO STATEMENT ON INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF LIGHTING IN THE COUNTY

Hon. Speaker: The Chairperson of Transport, are you ready?

Hon. Musango Maithya: Yes, I am ready, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: I hope you will go directly to the resolutions and recommendations.

Hon. Musango Maithya: Yes, Mr. Speaker. I am going to start with the one which was requested by Hon. Ochieng Jera. I can see he is in the House today.

Hon. Speaker, on 5th November 2024, the Hon. Ochieng Jera, MCA, rose on the floor of the Assembly, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47 (2) (c) and requested the Chairperson of the Sectorial Committee on Transport and Public Works for a Statement regarding the installation and maintenance of lighting in the County.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Chairperson, I have actually requested you to go directly to the findings and resolutions of the same.

Hon. Musango Maithya: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Committee wrote to the Acting County Secretary on 19th November 2024, inviting him to inform the CEC Member for Mobility and Works to attend a meeting of the Committee that was held on 27th November 2024.

Hon. Ochieng Jera was also invited to attend the said meeting and was in the attendance during the deliberations.

Hon. Speaker, a copy of detailed response has been shared to the Hon. Ochieng Jera and a further copy is hereby attached to the report. The Member was satisfied with the report. Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I beg to lay the Statement.

I have another one for Hon. Oscar Lore, MCA. I don't know whether he is in the House.

Hon. Speaker: Have you read out the findings of the Committee?

Hon. Musango Maithya: Yes, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Ochieng Jera, are you in concurrence? Chairperson, please you may be seated.

Hon. Samson Ooko: Hon. Speaker, thank you so much for the opportunity. Hon. Speaker, a few minutes ago, you spoke about the integrity of the House and how we should conduct ourselves as Members. Besides me is Hon. Chair for Transport, who has chosen to lie to the House that I was invited.

Hon. Speaker, I attended the meeting, and the only people in attendance were the CEC Member, the Clerk of the Committee and myself. The Chair was not in the meeting. Also, the Members of the Committee were nowhere to be seen. So, when he comes to the Assembly to lie that I was invited, attended, and was satisfied with the report, that is a big lie to the House that we respect.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Chair, please can you clarify.Hon. Musango Maithya: Hon. Speaker, it might be true...

(Laughter and loud consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Order, Hon. Members!

Hon. Musango Maithya: Mr. Speaker, myself...

Hon. Speaker: Mr. Chairman, you are not here to defend yourself. You have just confirmed the worst and the fear of the Hon. Member.

Hon. Musango Maithya: But, Mr. Speaker...

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Chair, I will give direction. You may be seated. Thank you.

RESPONSE TO STATEMENT ON REGULATIONS FOR ALL COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS TO HAVE PARKING SPACES AND OFFLOADING ZONES

Hon. Speaker: Response to Statement requested by Hon. Oscar Lore regarding the regulations for all commercial buildings in the County. Is Oscar Lore in the Assembly? Chairman, you are ready with the response.

Hon. Musango Maithya: Yes, I am ready, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Is the report appearing for the first time or this is now the second time?

Hon. Musango Maithya: This is the second time, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: You may proceed because it becomes the property of the Assembly.

Hon. Musango Maithya: Thank you. Hon. Speaker, on the 1st October 2024, the Hon. Oscar Lore, M.C.A, rose on the floor of the Assembly, pursuant to Standing Order 47(2) (c), and requested the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Transport and Public Works for a Statement regarding regulations for all commercial buildings in the County to have parking spaces and offloading zones.

Hon. Speaker, the Committee wrote to Acting County Secretary on 4th November 2024, inviting him to inform the CEC Member for Mobility and Works to respond to the request by the Hon. Member.

Hon. Speaker, a copy of the detailed response has been shared to Hon Oscar and a further copy is hereby attached to this report. The Member was satisfied with the report. I beg to lay, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Members, the Chairperson for Transport has just confirmed to the Assembly that indeed he has lied to the Assembly. For that reason, Hon. Members, this is what the Standing Order requires of a Member on gross disorderly conduct. He has lied and he has confirmed the same. Standing Order 116 (1) (h) states;

"Conduct is grossly disorderly if the Member concerned deliberately gives false information to the County Assembly"

Hon. Members, I will read Standing Order 116 (3) under Gross Disorderly Conduct; "If on any occasion the Speaker or the Chairperson deems that his or her powers under this Standing Order are inadequate..."

Of which I am informed that under Standing Order 116 (2) (i) and (ii) is inadequate because the Standing Order requires you to be suspended. The Chairperson for Transport Committee, you stand suspended from the Committee sessions and the plenary for a record of seven sittings.

(Applause)

For that reason, Serjeant-at-Arms, the Hon. Member...

(Loud consultations)

Order, Hon. Members! For the period of time, the Member should not access the precincts of the Assembly. Kindly escort him out of the precincts of the Assembly.

(Hon. Musango Maithya escorted outside the Chamber by the Serjeant-at-Arms)

Hon. Speaker: Kindly proceed.

MOTION

ADJOURNMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ASSEMBLY CALENDAR

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, in line with the sequence of the Order Paper and at the request of the Hon. Majority Leader that we defer Motion No. 8 and 9 so that he can undertake the business as required by the Standing Orders, we move to Order No. 10 then we will revert to Order No. 8 and 9. Majority Leader, please.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, allow me to move a Motion of Adjournment according to our Calendar.

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Orders 30 (1) and 31 (3), this Assembly adjourns until Tuesday 11th February 2025 at 2.30 p.m., in accordance with the Calendar of the County Assembly (Regular Sessions).

Hon. Speaker, for the entire year, we have been having short recesses. As you are aware, some of us are Christians and we have a very important occasion upcoming, which is the birth of Jesus Christ, on the 25th December 2024. We hope and believe that as Christians and also Members of this House, we will have time to reflect and share with our friends, brothers and sisters.

Without further ado, allow me to welcome my counterpart, Hon. Bishop, to second this Motion.

Hon. Anthony Karanja: Thank you, Hon. Speaker and the Hon. Majority Leader. I second this Motion, and wish everyone well and congratulate them for this far. We have done well as an Assembly. The Lord has been gracious as we are still in one piece and very peaceful.

Hon. Speaker, I wish to request that you allow committees to sit until the 15th December and also from the 15th January 2025 so that we are able to mitigate the long recess and facilitate Members to service their loans and serve the people. We had discussed this with the Majority Leader on how we are going to have trainings for committees and the whole House during that period. Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I beg to second.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Members. I pause to propose the question. Let us proceed. Clerk!

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, I want to wish everyone a merry Christmas as we need time to spend with our families. I wish to see Mama Lugonzo in her home. From Mathare, I want to see Mama Emma, Emily and all our mothers.

I also want to implore to the Chair of Budget that it is a tradition in the House that as we go for Christmas, the Executive has to make sure that all elected leaders and Special Elect receive some food for us to be able to share with our families. I ask the Chair Budget to instruct the Chief Officer in charge of Disaster Management to make sure that there is at least something for everyone.

For those few remarks, merry Christmas and a happy New Year. If called upon for a Special Sitting, the Speaker will instruct further and a communication will come to all of us to participate in earnest for the development of our County. God bless you.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Clerk, proceed

MOTION

Hon. Speaker: Chairperson, Select Committee on Public Accounts? The Motions stands deferred. Yes, Hon. Minority.

Hon. Anthony Karanja: Hon. Speaker, I think the Chairman of Public Accounts is not here. As the Majority Leader walks out, I think it is a high time that we look at these committees' attendance and performance of some of our chairmen as it is wanting. So, chairpersons and Members, kindly look inwards into your committees and come with recommendations to the Speaker and the leadership. We need a revamped 2025 that has good attendance, good performance and is able to represent the people of this City. I remember that I laid the Papers the other day. So, I will liaise with the Chair as to why he is not in and brief you on the same. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Clerk, are the reports ready? Allow me to direct the Leader of Minority to move Motion No. 8 and 9 so that we commit them to the relevant Committee for consideration.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORT OF AUDITOR-GENERAL

ON PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN BUDGET MAKING PROCESS FOR FY 2021/2022

Hon. Anthony Karanja: Hon. Speaker, on behalf of the Chairperson of the Select Committee on Public accounts, I beg to move:

THAT, this Assembly adopts the report of the Select Committee on Public Accounts on consideration of the report of Auditor General on Public Participation in Nairobi City County budget making process for the financial year 2021/2022...

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Member, I am made to understand that you do not have the contents of the Motion. Are you in a position to proceed?

Hon. Anthony Karanja: Yes.

Hon. Speaker: You are supposed to move and build the Motion.

Hon. Anthony Karanja: Hon. Speaker, it is supposed to be a debate, and I do not know if the House is ready?

Hon. Speaker: Let me consult with the Clerk. Hon. Members, I am guided that the report of the Select Committee On Public Accounts still has some time. It is usually considered within a window period of 90 days. So, we will have to defer Motion 8 and 9 in order to give the relevant Chair the opportunity to move the Motion. Thank you for stepping in, Hon. Kiragu.

(Motions dropped)

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

NOMINATION OF MEMBERS TO THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, you may remember that I had paused to propose a question on the Adjournment. Before then, and while we were in the process of transacting the business of the Assembly, I have received communication from the Governor on the nomination to the Nairobi City County Urban Affordable Housing Committee.

'Hon. Members, in accordance with the Affordable Housing Act, 2024, Section 34, it is with great confidence that I announce the appointment of Members to the Nairobi City County Affordable Housing Committee.

This Committee is mandated to guide the strategic implementation, coordination and oversight of affordable housing initiatives across the County to ensure they align with County policies and public interests. I hereby nominate Mr. Chris Abuga of ID No: 25242022, to be vetted by the Nairobi County Assembly to serve as a Non-Executive Chairperson to the Committee.

The purpose and scope of the Nairobi City County Affordable Housing Committee is to: -

- 1. Overseeing affordable housing projects, programmes and initiatives in line with the 2024 Act;
- 2. Advising on policy matters, funding and partnership to expand affordable housing opportunities;
- 3. Monitoring compliance with established guidelines to ensure the safety, suitability ad accessibility of affordable housing projects;
- 4. Engaging stakeholders including private and public sector representatives to foster collaboration and resource sharing;
- 5. Reporting progress, challenges and recommendations to the office of the Governor, and enhance County affordable agenda.

Each member is entrusted to uphold the mandate of the Committee by bringing their expertise, commitment and insight to fulfil the affordable vision for Nairobi County.

Duration and accountability: The tenure of these appointments shall run for a period of 3 years from the effective date, with a midterm review to access the Committee's progress and effectiveness in meeting set objectives. All members shall report to the Chairperson and submit periodic reports to the office of the Governor.

I have confidence that the combined expertise and dedication of this team will significantly impact Nairobi County housing landscape, helping us realize a more inclusive and affordable future for all residence.

Your Governor, His Excellency Sakaja Arthur Johnson'.

I commit the communication to the Planning Committee.

MOTION

ADJOURNMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ASSEMBLY CALENDAR

(Resumption of debate earlier interrupted)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, I now propose the question.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Speaker: Meanwhile, I grant the request by Hon. Minority Leader for the extension period of the sitting of the committees and subsequent resumption of the said committees before we resume the Assembly, as per the request of the Minority Leader.

ADJOURNENT

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, you may be up standing as I wish you a long recess holiday and as we usher in the New Year 2025. Thank you. (Hon. Members stood in the places)

Thank you. The House stands adjourned until Tuesday 11th February 2025 at 2.30 p.m.

The House rose at 3:55 p.m.

