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

PRAYER

QUORUM

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, the Chair's attention has been raised for lack of quorum to allow us to transact the business of the day. Under Standing Order No. 37 (2) (b), I instruct the Sergeant-at-Arms to ring the Bell of a record of 10 minutes as you leave the door wide open. Kindly honor.

(The Quorum Bell was rung)

The quorum was less by two. Sergeant-at-Arms, terminate the ringing of the Bell. Hon. Members, the House is now properly constituted, and for that reason we may proceed.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

HONOURING VISITING DELEGATION

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, good morning. I can see at the public gallery the honor and privilege accorded to the residents of Nairobi, I believe so. I am yet to find the names of the members at the public gallery. For that reason, I will bypass a little bit as I wait to get their names. So, in a short while, I will be privileged to acknowledge the members at the public gallery. Feel most welcome. Clerk, kindly facilitate the Chair with the names of the members at the public gallery, please.

PAPERS

Hon. Speaker: I think there are Papers that are supposed to be laid.

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Hon. Peter Imwatok: I am waiting from the Tables and Journals the Disbursement Schedule.

Hon. Speaker: Clerk-at-the-Table, kindly facilitate the Leader of Majority.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, let us proceed so that I can table later.

Hon. Speaker: Granted. Hon. Members, under Standing Order No. 1, I direct alteration of sequence of business on the Order Paper as we await the laying of the Disbursement Schedule to the Executive and the County Assembly. We will set aside as we wait to be facilitated by the Clerk. Kindly, let us proceed.

MOTION

ADOPTION OF REPORT ON REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ESTIMATES FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND ASSEMBLY FOR FY 2026-2027

Hon. Speaker: The Chairperson, Budget and Appropriation Committee, it is your day.

Hon. Wilfred Odalo: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I beg to move:

THAT, this Assembly adopts the 40th Report of the Select Committee on County Finance Budget and Appropriation on the Revenue and Expenditure Estimates for the Nairobi City County Government and the County Assembly for the financial year 2026-2027.

Hon. Speaker, I beg your protection from the Leader of Minority, who is also a Member of the Budget Committee.

Hon. Speaker: The last time I checked, the Minority Whip is Hon. Mark Mugambi. Kindly, Hon. Member of Ruai Ward, move to your seat. Thank you. Chair, Budget, you may proceed.

Hon. Wilfred Odalo: Thank you for the protection.

(Hon. Anthony Karanja consulted loudly)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Minority Leader, please.

Hon. Wilfred Odalo: You are a good citizen. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker, Mahatma Gandhi, one of the world-renowned political leaders, came to a conclusion that the world has enough for everyone's needs, but not enough for everyone's greed. While the former president, Barack Obama, once remarked that a budget is more than just a series of numbers on a page. It is an indication of our values. This key observation, Hon. Speaker, underscores the reality that budgets are not merely physical instruments, but morals that prioritizes commitments and aspirations of those entrusted with public offices.

Hon. Speaker, the Committee has scrutinized this fourth annual Budget Estimates with a focus on how the allocation intends to achieve the aspirations put forth and how the resources resonate with the electorate. It should be noted that this Budget Estimates has no borrowing component. I would like to emphasize that the Budget before us has no borrowing component.

(Applause)

Hon. Members, as you are aware, any borrowing will follow the laid procedures, and the Committee is in receipt of a request to borrow and is at the tail end to submit the same to this Hon. House for approval at a later date.

Hon. Speaker, the Committee noted that there was misclassification of expenditure, with school feeding and solid waste management being classified as development items. You remember the submitted one? The Committee realized that they were classified as development expenditure. The Committee has taken a bold step. Members, some of these steps are not easy. One of the Members, Hon DNG, knows very well, I received his letter complaining of the same. We took a bold step to ensure that items are correctly classified, and urged the County Executive that the principle behind program-based budgeting must be upheld and there must always be consistency in treatment of budget items.

Hon. Speaker, to address irregular financing of the County Assembly to avoid the issue of our items lying at the Office of the Controller of Budget, Section 109 (e) of the Public Finance Management Act now requires that the County Treasury shall, at the beginning of every month and in every event not later than 15th day from the commencement of the month, disburse monies to the County Assembly for the expenditure of the following month.

(Applause)

Hon. Members, the Disbursement Schedule shall be within us in the next sitting, that is at noon, for the approval of this Assembly.

Hon. Speaker, the Committee has noted a competing County needs against the shrinking resources envelop, and in order to free up funds, the Committee has proposed the following measures – As I said, some of the steps are a bit bold.

1. Reduction on all core items like advertising, policy formulation, purchase and hiring of vehicles, computers, among others. Hon. Members, the Committee realized that there were hiring of vehicles at a tune of Kshs.690 million. So, the Committee removed that in totality.
2. Removal of all contracted professional services across all sectors.
3. Reduction on all operation and maintenance costs across sectors.

Hon. Speaker, on the specific sectorial allocation, the Committee recognized the critical role played by the Health sector in provision of quality health services and has the lion's share of the overall proposed budget at about a tune of Kshs.12 billion.

(Applause)

Moreover, the Sector has an additional allocation of Kshs.200 million for equipment of hospitals that will go a long way in enhancing quality health care within the County. Member of where the Mama Lucy Hospital is located, I know you have an on-going project. He reached to the Members of Budget Committee to emphasize the same.



Hon. Speaker, in the words of Frances Wright, "Equality is the soul of liberty; there is, in fact, no liberty without it" In this regard, and to ensure equity in project allocation in the spirit of devolving resources at the grassroots, the Committee has allocated an additional Kshs.100 million for the Ward Development Programme, in comparison with the initial figure of Kshs.2.155 billion, which is about Kshs.15 billion. This means, every Member will have Kshs.25 million for every ward.

In ensuring that the welfare of Members is addressed, the Committee has allocated an additional Kshs.650 million for payment of pending bills on the Assembly side.

(Applause)

This allocation will be key as it will ensure settlement of Members' arrears as well as staff. Members, whatever we do, staff are always behind us, so, this money will cater for their well-being.

On the positive note, Hon. Speaker, the Salaries and Remuneration Commission (SRC) has enhanced Members' remuneration with an increase of an estimated Kshs.140 million. The Committee has confirmed that, with an additional allocation of Kshs.300 million, which His Excellency the Governor Johnson Sakaja, committed to the Assembly, the increase in Members' salaries and other benefits shall be implemented without any hitch.

Hon. Speaker, the County Assembly will begin payment of the Special Elects' office imprests to the tune of Kshs.31 million.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker, the payment of mileage for Members was approved in the financial year 2024/2025, but due to budget constraints, the County Assembly was not in a position to implement the directives. The Committee has ensured that the Kshs.31 million will be backdated and Members will get their mileage as was approved.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker, the Committee has allocated an additional Kshs.800 million to the initial proposed development allocation of Kshs.1 billion to facilitate the construction of Assembly complex, digitization of County Assembly services and infrastructure, construction of ward offices, the acquisition of Speakers' residence, setting up a library and media center so that we reduce the issue of 'white seats'.

(Laughter)

Hon. Speaker, to appreciate the role of development within the County, the Committee has ensured that the development allocation meets the 30 per cent threshold as set in Section 107 of the PFM Act of 2012.



Hon. Speaker, one of Africa's greatest sons, Nelson Mandela noted that to deny people their human rights is to challenge their very humanity. In this County, education has served as an equalizer, significantly enabling learners from all walks of life to compete fairly in the global arena with their fellow citizens in the realization of their dreams.

The recent High Court ruling by Justice Bahati Mwamuye did not negate the bursary but found that the absence of a coordinated national database for tracking bursary and scholarship allocation violated several provisions of the constitution, with the affirmation that the government has a constitutional obligation to fix it.

In this regard, the Committee has proposed an allocation of Kshs.794 million for bursaries and scholarship. Moreover, the County has made a bold step to allocate Kshs.75 million as capitation to vocational training centers, as well as Kshs.135 million for early child development centers.

Hon. Speaker, the Mobility and Works Sector acts as a buffer to WDP projects. And towards this, Kshs.100 million has been allocated for drainage works across the wards, while another allocation of Kshs.35 million has been allocated for the construction of Link Road to Specter International. If I say Specter some of us may know; the link road leading to Specter International.

Hon. Speaker, recall that the decades of toil and personal sacrifice played by the enigma of Kenyan politics, the late Hon. Raila Amolo Odinga. Towards this end, the Committee has made an allocation of Kshs.20 million, as requested by Hon. Rex Omolleh, the Member representing Nairobi West Ward, to erect a statue in honor of this great patriot near the Supreme Court, as approved by this Assembly some days back. So, it will be just next here.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker, based on the above, and having reviewed the Budget Estimates for the financial year 2026-2027, the Committee recommends that the policy recommendations contained in the tabled report be approved.

That the recommendations on policy issues, budget classification, budget rationalization, revenue framework, budget reduction and budget increase be approved.

Mr. Speaker, in conclusion and pursuant to the provision of Section 131 of the Public Finance Act, 2012 and Standing Order 228, the Select Committee on County Finance, Budget and Appropriations recommends that this Assembly adopts the 40th Report of the Select Committee on County Finance, Budget and Appropriation on the Budget Estimates for the Nairobi City County Government and County Assembly for the financial year 2026-2027.

Hon. Speaker, the issue of the allocations of various things I have noted that were not captured in the Budget, will be a thing of the past.

I will request the Minority Leader, who is also a Member of the Budget Committee, to second the Motion.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you.



Hon. Antony Karanja: Thank you, Hon. Chair and Hon. Speaker. We have burnt a lot of midnight oil over many months to come up with this document. Hon. Speaker, in the words of Anthony Kiragu, if we chase perfection, we might achieve excellence. I want to encourage this House, as well as the Budget Committee, to continue with what they are doing. I want to second the Report and urge this House to pass it without amendments. Thank you.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: In the words of Hon. Anthony Kiragu!

(Question proposed)

Hon. Members, plenary please. Hon. Majority Leader.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, allow me also to rise on protocol laid and appreciate this House, especially the Committee on Budget and Appropriations, and the entire Executive Treasury for coming up with a formidable Budget for this particular Parliament.

Hon. Speaker, I was keenly listening to the Chair of the Budget and Appropriations, quoting the greatest man of my time, Barack Obama, who said, “Yes, we can”. Indeed, this Assembly can do it. I want to appreciate the Committee as a whole and all the membership for what you have done for this House. It is a great honor that you are looking at the independence of the House, so that going forward, we will never be required to ask for what is due right for the Members of this County Assembly.

Also, Hon. Speaker, I want to appreciate the entire House, in our sincerity to the Executive and our sincere people of Nairobi, that what is rightfully to be done, has to be done within the confines of the Law. Hon. Chair, I must applaud you and your team as you are a stickler to the law, the rules of the game, and the Public Finance Management Act, which enables us to derive our Budget from.

Hon. Speaker, to your Office and the Office of the Clerk, I must also appreciate you, and more importantly, His Excellency the Governor. Hon. Members, Nairobi County was added more equitable share of revenue from the National cake. The County Assembly was slashed off its due required amounts by the Senate. But in his own magnanimity, the Governor of this City allowed us to have an extension as a grant from the Executive of Kshs.300 million to fill the gap of our budget in the County Assembly. On that, we also applaud him and we say that it is the spirit of the given take.

Hon. Speaker, I want to appreciate that now the Hon. Members will be equal to other Hon. Members within the state of Kenya. That, when SRC has given a notice of increment of salary, Hon. Speaker, you and your Board will not scratch your heads. I believe the money will come as a transfer to the County Assembly for the fulfilment of the same.

I therefore say that the Clerk has a duty to make sure that all the imprests owed to the Special Elect are expedited and paid to them so that our ladies can feel appreciated as other Special Elect.



(Applause)

Hon. Speaker, allow me also to expound on the issue of development. Indeed, as the Implementation Committee, were looking at a report for 2024/2025, where the implementation metrics for the development agenda of the County was not in line with the law. Therefore, Hon. Chair of the Budget and Appropriations, as you do the evaluation and reevaluation of performance of budget metrics, I believe that this Budget is so key in terms of the completion of development projects, and I am very keen to make sure that 85 Wards achieve what is due to them.

Hon. Speaker, I also like to report that the County Government, in its own wisdom, this week has released 500 bursary cheques for all 85 wards of the County Assembly.

(Applause)

As I spoke to the immediate Chair of Education, she had told me the plan was to have 1200 forms of bursaries. As a leadership and as a House, we want to assure Members that what is due for our children has to be implemented. That is to say, Hon. Members, that we will not falter on the agenda of what we want for the people of Nairobi. I am grateful that this House has seen it all, and we are prepared to see it to the end. As our term comes to an end, we will serve Nairobians in a better and more dignified manner.

Hon. Speaker, there are members of the Executive who often disrespect us. I was shocked last week when a Member of the Executive, who I know did not go to the university, threatened me. I vetted him in this House. There is a question about his credentials. Afterwards, he also questions my capability to lead this House. Some are flying out and going to school abroad now, and are also questioning my capability to lead this House. I have been a Whip for 5 years in this House. Hon. Kiragu, you know. Now, I have been a Majority Leader for 4 years, while somebody who is still in class is questioning my capability. When we talk about the prudence of the Budget, he is questioning his own failure. We will not entertain that. We are asking for respect for this House and for Members of the County Assembly. If one cannot respect the Majority Leader or the Speaker, will they respect an ordinary Member?

Therefore, I will stand so firm, Hon. Members, that any member of the Executive, however big or small, that does not give due respect to any Member, including myself, I am prepared for you. This House is so prepared for you, and we will deal with you. The law is very clear that the Executive is bound by oversight, including appointees. I want to say this today, please stick to your jurisdictions. If you are appointed as economic advisor, advise the Governor on the issue of economy. If you are a staff member in the Office of the Governor, stick to that. Do not extend your jurisdiction to the County Assembly. In the County Assembly, there is a Speaker, there is a Leader of Majority, Leader of Minority, Chair for Budget, Chair for PAC and other Chairs. Respect that! Do not dare me. I will bring your name to this Assembly substantively to discuss you under persona non grata, so that the Executive will now know that you are not supposed to serve the County Government of Nairobi.

As this Budget is passed, I urge you, Members, to be vigilant of those members in the Executive who have started counting our days. As they count our days, they also forget that they are just appointees. Their days can even be terminated after this Assembly. We can demand as an Assembly that, for us to deal with the Executive, a particular appointee should be removed from the Executive. Will they refuse to go? Those appointees who think they are bigger than themselves because they have stolen monies in these streets of City Hall, we are even going to name them. Some have been thinking with their bank balance accounts.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Majority, did you just make pronouncements of...

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, I am trying to talk about the Executive appointees who are now reasoning with their bank balance accounts. Stacked monies in foreign lands, they think they are...

Hon. Speaker: Order, Majority Leader!

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Yes, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: You know you are the Leader of the Government Business in the House.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: I will bring their names here...

Hon. Speaker: Please!

Hon. Peter Imwatok: I want to assure this House that I will give the names of appointees from the Executive who think they are bigger and special than anyone in this County.

(Applause)

There are a few appointees in the Executive Hon. Speaker who are bigger than even you. I am going to bring their names here.

Hon. Speaker: I hope you are not becoming a book of lamentation. Kindly restraint...

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, I withdraw that. You are our boss, but I am just cautioning them. Let anyone not think, imagine or dream that he can be more powerful than the Speaker of this House. We will not allow that. We will resist with all our blood. The sanctity of this Assembly must be respected.

Thank you so much to Azimio coalition party for standing firm on the belief that you are the party of reforms and democracy. Thank you so much the UDA side that you are in Broad Based Government to stay, and this Broad based Government must execute duties and it must deliver now and beyond 2027.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker, I am seeing the Two Term Movement here, I am very prepared. How many are two term?

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Order, Hon. Majority Leader! You are out of order!

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Order, Hon. Members! You are out of order!

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, I apologize

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, be orderly! Hon. Majority Leader, please!

Point of Order

Hon. Leader of Minority?

Hon. Anthony Karanja: Hon. Speaker...

(Hon. Catherine Okoth consulted loudly)

Hon. Speaker: Order, Hon. Catherine!

Hon. Anthony Karanja: Hon. Speaker, I understand that the Majority Leader is charged and I urge that we focus on the budget with the same spirit. I would like to say that as much as we are passing this important document today, the Speaker's rules must be followed.

Hon. Speaker, I would want you to confirm whether Hon. DNG and Hon. Collins Ogenga are dressed properly for this House.

Hon. Speaker: Kindly, Sergeant -at- Arms, confirm whether Hon. DNG...

(Hon. Member spoke off the record)

Please, have your seat! You have not been requested to make any statement. Kindly, Sergeant-At-Arms, confirm whether the Member is properly dressed. Sergeant-at-Arms, you are supposed to notify the Speaker. You are not supposed to direct the Member to leave the Chamber.

Hon. Collins Ogenga, may you be upstanding. I am not convinced that you are properly dressed. Kindly, Hon. Ogenga, can you go and get yourself properly dressed. Hon. DNG is properly dressed.

(Hon. Collins Ogenga was escorted out of the Chamber by the Sergeant-at-Arms)

Hon Whip, please.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Thank you Hon. Speaker, the excitement is very high. First and foremost, I want to applaud the Chairman of Budget and his Members for ensuring that the Budget Estimates, which has been presented here, fully comply with the PFM Act of 2012.

Hon. Speaker, as I was looking at the report, I saw how much has been allocated for ECDE classes in Kariobangi and other wards. I really want to applaud the Chair for ensuring that our children are going to school.

Hon. Speaker, I also want to applaud the Committee of Budget for ensuring that out of the total budget, a third of it has gone to real development. They have ensured that the PFM Act has been followed. Also, money has been allocated for bursaries. Our children need to go to school. For that reason, I applaud the Committee of Budget.

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As I conclude, I want to really thank you for ensuring that this day has become a success. I also want to thank the Hon. Members, I can see they are fully in the House and want to ensure that the Budget is passed. For those reasons, Hon. Speaker, I beg to support the report. Thank you.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, I want to notify you that my screen is not receiving request, maybe we identify by way of raising your hands. Yes, Hon. Deputy Whip.

Hon. Joyce Kamau: Thank you so much, Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity. I am a Member of Budget Committee, and this Budget is long overdue. I was concerned that we were lagging behind and you know most counties are really looking up to us.

Hon. Speaker, I support this report, especially that our offices as nominated Members have been considered in this Budget. Also, Kshs. 1.5 billion has been allocated for the construction of the Assembly block. Unfortunately, it is coming at a time when we are exiting. I am a two-term Member and I don't know if we will be able to come back in this House again. For those who will not be able to come to this House again, it is too bad for you, but for the ones that will come again after the next elections, you will have at least good offices and dignity as Honorable Members.

Mr. Speaker, I also support because the pending bill for the Assembly of Kshs.650 million has been captured. I believe that our staff in the Assembly and the Members of this Assembly will be paid their pending bills and things will be well for us. I am also in support because of the addition of Kshs. 4.2 billion to capture the WDF pending bills and the ongoing projects. WDF is the heart of the elected Members, and we thank the Committee for that.

Not forgetting the Education Sector, bursaries will enable our Members to have something to go to the people for the campaigns, because if we don't get the bursaries at this critical times, I assure you it will not be well for our Members. I am asking the Executive to fast track things after we have passed it because we really need to have something to go back to the people.

As I conclude, I congratulate our Budget Chairman. You have done a good job, together with the Deputy, Hon Emily, and all the Members of Budget. Mr. Speaker, we are supporting this Government and our Governor, Sakaja. The spirit still goes on and we support the President the most. Thank you so much, Mr. Speaker.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you.

Hon. Paul Ndungu: Mover!

Hon. Speaker: You are not the Speaker.

(Laughter)

Hon. Perpetua?

Hon. Perpetua Mponjiwa: Thank you, Hon. Speaker for granting me this opportunity to speak. I support this Budget. Good things take time. This Budget has taken time, and we appreciate because it has come out so detailed and with everything done meticulously.

We as the former Education Committee, we appreciate because eventually they have included what we wanted for the past four years which is capitation for vocational training centers in Nairobi. In our first budget in the Third Assembly, it was never brought, but finally it is here. We thank God for that. Our vocational training centres are in bad state and we need to improve on that. We appreciate the Kshs. 75 million allocated as capitation for vocational training.

On the allocation for the Special Elect, we really appreciate. We are the gender top up and without us, this Assembly cannot stand. Without us, this Assembly is unconstitutional.

Hon. Speaker, I also want to appreciate the fact that the Budget Committee is the only committee left standing. Under the leadership of our able Chair, Hon. Odalo, the incoming Member of Parliament for Mathare, has done a good job. To all the Budget Committee Members, a pat on the back. God bless Kenya and God bless you all. I support, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. DNG.

Hon. Davidson Ngibuini: Thank you so much, Hon. Speaker. First, I want to thank the Chair of Budget, Finance and Economic Planning Committee for listening to the elected representatives of the people of Nairobi. We have had a very serious tiff in regards to the two items that the Budget Chair has mentioned i.e. Dishu na County which had been wrongly appropriated as a development budget line, but I want to thank the Budget Chair because that has been reorganized back to where it belongs as a recurrent expenditure.

Hon. Speaker, I am extremely excited that we have met the 30% development threshold, which is one of the requirements of the PFM Act 2012. I am also happy that we have stuck within the confines of the law. This is the clear evidence that the Third Assembly is working and the oversight responsibility has not been suspended.

Hon. Speaker we have pending bills that have been allocated Kshs.650 million, specifically for Ward Development Fund programme. Mine is to ask the Budget Chair and the Committee to ensure that these payments are done without any favoritism.

Hon. Speaker: Point of correction, Kshs.650 million pending bills is for the Assembly not for Ward Development Fund.

Hon. Davidson Ngibuini: Thank you, Hon. Speaker, I stand guided on that one. But I do believe that we have an element of pending bills allocation in the Budget that we are going to pass this afternoon. Mine is to request the Committee to please look into that issue so that the payments are done from a free and fair perspective. In fact, they should apply the accounting principle of FIFO, first in first out, because the PMF Act states and binds the County Executive to manage public resources predictably and responsibly. Hon. Speaker perhaps we can also consider having a transparent timeline as to when these payments can be paid so that the contractors who had abandoned sites in our wards return to those projects and have the stalled projects completed before the campaign period begins.

Hon. Speaker, I am also very elated that the Ward Development Program has gotten a revision upwards from Kshs.23 million to Kshs.25 million. We are extremely grateful to the Budget Committee. I would propose that as soon as this Budget is uploaded, let the tendering begin immediately because during the last financial year we really suffered. We did not have any Ward

Development Program being tendered in the financial year 2025-2026, which means that there was no development in our wards. This time we want it done quickly so that *wananchi* can see our work. Hon. Speaker, you will agree with me that all of us want to come back to this hallowed House and one of the biggest campaigns platform is development which is what *wananchi* want to see.

As I conclude, Hon. Speaker, we need to have bursaries implemented as soon as possible. Last time we had a delay. This time we should not have a delay. I have not heard much about the pending bills; I think I stand corrected that now the pending bill of Kshs.650 million is for the Assembly. Therefore, I will withdraw what I wanted to ask. My question was about the trips and the transport pending bills which members don't seem to get. But I hope that Members will get it now. Thank you, Hon. Speaker, I support.

Hon. Speaker: We have the 'National Coordinator Two Term Agenda', Hon. Robert Alai.

Hon. Robert Alai: Thank you, Hon. Speaker, you have given me a title of the...

(Hon. Peter Imwatok spoke off the record)

Hon. Speaker, the Majority leader should not be jealous of my title.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Majority Leader, the 'National Coordinator Two Term Agenda' is on the floor, please.

Point of Order

What is the Point of Order, Hon. Majority Leader?

Hon. Peter Imwatok: *(Off the record)* ... by the Standing Orders, but having said so, I applaud and appreciate him, he is a great man. But I am on a Point of Order on the code of conduct and dress code. I wonder whether this House allows sports shoes as part of the dress code. The Chair of the 'white seats' can say whether he is decently dressed. I can see Hon. Martin has come in this House with sneakers for Friday.

Hon. Speaker: Sergeant-at-Arms, find out if the Member is properly dressed.

The Chair has been informed that Hon. Martin is not properly dressed. He is in his Friday's best. Sergeant-at-Arms, accord him the respect to go and get himself properly dressed. Thank you.

(Applause)

(Hon. Martin Mwangi was escorted out of the Chamber by the Sergeant-at-Arms)

Hon. Robert Alai: Hon. Speaker, even as the Chair goes out, I think that the raising of attention of the Speaker to the code of dressing in the House is very unfair to men. We can see armpits of female Hon. Members, but nobody seems to raise the---

Hon. Speaker: You are a part of the 'nobody' because it is your prerogative, Hon. Alai, to cite the Member you think is not properly dressed as per the code of conduct.

Hon. Robert Alai: Hon. Speaker, if I raise, all of them will be out if we follow on the dress code.

(Loud consultations from the lady Members)

Hon. Robert Alai: Be as it may, Hon. Speaker, I beg to support the report of the Committee of Budget. But my biggest worry is the revenue projections. I have seen the own source revenue of Kshs.24.2 billion. While last year's Estimates was around Kshs.19 billion, we still had a gap of Kshs.10 billion. I don't know whether we have bridged the gap of Kshs.10 billion.

I don't know how we are going to fund all these programs. I see the ambition of the Budget Committee and I love it, it is very positive because it makes you work harder to achieve your targets. I see the Ward Development Programs have been increased to Kshs.25 million, I think it is very positive. The ECDEs, the vocational training centres, the support for the nominated Members. My biggest worry for this House, however is that, as long as we have unrealistic revenue projections, we are not going to achieve this. Maybe the ambition is what you needed to calm you to pass the Budget. But still I hope that good things will come out of this and I still see a lot of potential in Nairobi. I hope that one day we will achieve this thing.

For the Members who are vying for various seats, I have seen a lot of Special Elect who are going to vie for positions and others are going to come in as Special Elect, I wish you well, but I hope that we can be realistic. I believe that at this point we were supposed to be the House that would have held the Executive accountable, and taken on-source revenue from under Kshs.10 billion to over Kshs.50 billion. I think that we can achieve that.

Therefore, Hon. Speaker, I support it because I see the potential of Nairobi. But with the current measures, I do not believe that they will do it, but I support the report. Thank you so much.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Lily Kidenda.

Hon. Lily Kidenda: Hon. Speaker, I would like to thank you for seeing my hand. It has been up for a while. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Budget Committee Chair and Members for what I call the pragmatic way in which they have handled this Budget. Allow me to define the word 'pragmatic' because it is critical for this Budget. It means, "*Dealing with things in a practical, realistic way based on actual conditions rather than fixed theories or idle ideas*". It is my pride to support this Budget because it has touched on issues that have been deeply in our hearts.

I would like to thank the Committee for listening to us as the Health Committee, especially in the area that concerns the classification of specific budget items. It is critical that we do this right, and we are doing it at this time; the fourth year. It gives me pride, and I am very thankful for giving us the budget that is commensurate to what health in this County stands for.

I thank God for what has been done and directed to the schools, the ECDs, and the vocational training. The capitation that has been allocated is going to go a long way to help us to move Nairobi to be what we had envisaged and making it work. In the Education Sector, this is a game changer.

I want to be clear about our role as the Special Elect. This has been the thing we have asked for the last four years. With a year left to feel the effect, finally we can say this has been specifically spoken to and the special allocations that have been given.

Finally, as I sit, I know there are others who want to say something. The Kshs.20 million for the putting up of that monument that will remember a great leader of this Country, the Right Hon. Raila Amolo Odinga, it is something that will speak and will send waves to the people of this Country; the young and the old. Mr. Speaker, I support.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Emily Oduor.

Hon. Emily Oduor: Thank you, Hon. Speaker, I stand to support. This is the ninth year I have been in this House, and I have been in the Budget Committee all the time. I think this is the best Budget that has ever been read in this House.

(Applause)

I am so proud of how the Budget has captured the interest of the Special Elect and our Assembly at large. Thank you, Hon. Chair, and thank you, Members.

Secondly, Mr. Speaker, the integrity of a country can be seen by the way it handles the Health Sector and Education. Without education and health, we have no country. Once someone said that the number of people we lose in hospitals because of lack of drugs is higher than the number of people we lose in road accidents because of potholes. The person was trying to justify that we would rather give more money to the Health Sector than the roads. This makes a lot of sense, and I have seen it has been done.

To the Special Elect, for the four years, you have been complaining and saying the reason why you are in this Assembly is to help make quorum because no one listens to you. You have seen there is a change. A lot has been done and you are going to get your money. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, you also contributed towards this because I know there was consultation between Members and the Speaker. Every evening you would see them going to the Speaker's office. Hon. Speaker, thank you so much on behalf of the ladies. We are grateful.

Most of the things that I wanted to say have been said. With those few remarks, I stand to support.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Lawrence Odhiambo.

Hon. Lawrence Odhiambo: Thank you, Hon. Speaker for giving me this opportunity to support this Motion. First of all, I want to thank our able Chairman for Budget, Dr. Odalo for bringing up this Budget so that we can pass it. This Budget is not meant for these Hon. Members. This budget is meant for the people we are leading. The people will only see what we are supposed



to do in our wards when we pass this Budget. We cannot do any project in our ward without this Budget.

In my ward, Hon. Speaker, we have a lot of pending issues, more so on roads. I am the Vice Chairman of Roads; we have a lot of pending bills that are supposed to be paid to our contractors. Also, Hon. Speaker, my office was closed. Most of the Hon. Members' offices have been closed. When we pass this Budget, I will be the happiest man because my office will be open very soon.

Last but not least, our students are closing, and I know they will go back for third term with cheques for bursaries. Therefore, parents will be very happy when their children go back to school with school fees. Thank you very much, Chairman, for bringing this Budget. I support. Thank you.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Majiwa.

Hon. Geophrey Majiwa: Asante sana, Mheshimiwa Spika. Kwanza kabisa, nataka niwape hongera Bwana Mwenyekiti wa Kamati ya Bajeti na kamati yake kwa kufanya kazi muhimu. Sisi kama wawakilishi wa wadi tunaelekea kwenye mkondo wa mwisho. Makadirio ya siku ya leo ina maana mingi sana kwa maisha yetu ya kisiasa na ya kuwakilishi raia.

Mheshimiwa Spika, furaha ambayo unaiona siku ya leo ni furaha ambayo tunalinganisha na furaha ya familia ambayo imesubiri mtoto kwa muda mrefu lakini mwisho ikapata. Makadirio ilichelewa kidogo ikiwa na msukomsuko lakini mwishowe, kupitia kwa Mwenyekiti wa Kamati ya Bajeti, wameweza kuileta mbele yetu ili tuweze kujadiliana na kukubaliana ya kwamba haya ndiyo mambo muhimu katika kazi yetu.

Tunapoelekea mkondo wa mwisho wa muhula wetu, nimeona hii Bajeti imetilia mkazo sana sehemu ya watoto ambao tunawakilisha ambao ni wanafunzi. Unajua kawaida elimu ndio msingi bora ya nchi, kwa hiyo naona hii makadirio imelenga sana maendeleo. Kando na miundo msingi, elimu ni muhimu sana. Ombi langu ni kwa Kiongozi wa Wengi ambaye pia ni Mkuu wa Biashara za Serikali na pia Mwenyekiti wa Kamati ya Utekelezi, kwa sababu utekelezaji ndio umuhimu wa hii Bajeti, ili aweze kutilia mkazo. Yale tunayopitisha siku ya leo iweze kutekelezwa. Hatuna nafasi nyingine tena ya kurejelea tuliyoyazungumzia leo ila kuhakikisha tu kuwa imetekelezwa. Tukirejea kwa wananchi waliotutuma hapa, tuwe na mkoba uliobeba yale waliotarajia kutoka kwetu na kazi yetu iwe rahisi tunapofanya kampeni na kupeana ahadi za kurejea hapa. Itaonyesha umuhimu wa kazi tunayofanya ambayo pia ni muhimu kwa maisha yao. Naomba kuunga mkono.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: I request the Mover of the Motion to make a point of reply.

Hon. Wilfred Odalo: Hon. Speaker, allow me to respond to a few concerns, before I give my reply. Hon. Speaker, a Member has mentioned timeline on when these things should commence. I will request the leadership of this Assembly to constitute the WDP Committee as

early as yesterday so that after the passing of this Budget, the Committee will follow up and Members will be in a position have their projects advertised.

Hon. Speaker, a Member has mentioned revenue. I will request Members to be calm a bit. The Committee and the Executive will be a bit vigorous on the issue of debt collection. If you look deeper, there are a number of excavators on this Budget. There will be some vigorous exercise to be done, so, Members kindly support the cause.

Hon. Speaker, on the issue of building the library, parking and office for the Members, the perpetual nature of our offices actually allows us to do things not for our own. We built this Assembly in 2013, but only six Members who were there are now enjoying the facility. So, it was a concern of a Member, but I will request that we do things for generations to come.

Hon. Speaker, it should be on HANSARD that the Clerk has no escape route on the issue of the welfare of Members. I do not want to say it loud because press might capture, but it should be noted that every Member of this House has a chance to go overseas for further studies.

(Laughter)

I do not want to be captured negatively, but staff have a duty to perform.

On the issue of domestic, it is well covered, the entire money which the Assembly requested has been were given. So, Clerk do your part.

Hon. Speaker, you mentioned earlier that there are some members at the Gallery, but you are still waiting for their names. Hon. Speaker, I can confirm...

Hon. Speaker: I have received their names.

Hon. Wilfred Odalo: Yes, I can confirm by looking closely...

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Chair, please proceed.

Hon. Wilfred Odalo: Looking closely, they have escorted their son of the soil, while making the pronouncement of the Budget. So, I appreciate you, Mathare people, where I was born and brought and now a leader there.

Hon. Speaker, allow me to thank the Office of the Governor...

(Hon. Susan Makungu spoke off the record)

Thank you, Hon. Susan Makungu, Mlango Kubwa 001. When the issue of allocation came, he was there for us and he wrote several correspondences that actually enabled us to have a lean and accommodative budget.

Hon. Speaker, on the budget of the Executive, allow me to thank the Budget staff, more so Madam Asha Abdi, for being with us. She was there when we were doing this. You know very well that Budget is a cycle. By next week, we will be start doing the next financial year's Budget. So, Madam Asha Abdi, wherever you are, feel appreciated.

Hon. Speaker, allow me to recognize the Members of the Budget Committee. If you do not mind...

(Loud consultations)

I think this is the... Okay. You know ‘two terms’ and ‘one term’. Allow me, if you do not mind, to request the Members of Budget to be upstanding so that they can be captured. They are the force behind this good thing.

(Members of Budget Committee stood in their places)

Far end, you can see the Leader of Minority. I am being informed that there is an imposter. He is already seated, Whip, thank you. Hon. Joyce, you have been there. Hon. Susan Makungu, thank you for being there for us. Hon. Fathiya, thank you for being there. Chair, thank you. Hon. Kanyi, thank you. Hon. Jane, thank you. Our Whip, thank you. Hon. Petit, thank you. There is an imposter at the far corner. Hon. Palapala, you are not a Member. Hon. Asli, thank you for being there with us, you are doing a good job. Hon. Masitsa thank you. Hon. Jeckoniah, our youth leader, thank you. Hon. Owera, Mathare Huruma 001, thank you. Hon. Catherine, Mama Network, thank you. Hon. Ogeto, thank you. Hon. Perpetua, thank you. And lastly, my Deputy Chair, thank you for standing with me.

Hon. Speaker, I will not go without mentioning the staff of the Budget Office. Manyi, thank you for the support. They are all seated there. Eric, wherever you are, Alphonse and the entire Budget Team, thank you.

Hon. Speaker, we are the Committee which usually sits outside the most and you have been approving our sittings and we appreciate you for that. Let me thank the Clerk, he has been there to make sure that our things move. Hon. Speaker, last but not least, the Majority Leader usually comes with a bang. He will tell you, “Chair, I want this thing to be done immediately.” So, sometimes I usually tell him, “Leader just cool down, we will do it.” So, Leader, thank you. At least the Committee has been vibrant because of your hard work.

Hon. Speaker, allow me to thank myself. I am the only Chair in this House standing...

(Hon. Peter Imwatok spoke off the record)

Protect me from the Majority Leader. I beg to reply.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

PAPER

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, you are aware that we had changed the sequence of Business as it appears in the Order Paper. I had set aside, under Order No. 2, Communication from the Chair. Before then, I would instruct the Leader of Majority to lay Papers under Order No. 5.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, before I lay these Paper, allow me to appreciate your office. As a supporter of your office and leadership, I want to stick to your communication that after Appropriation Bill has been approved, all committees stand disbanded, including Budget and

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Appropriation Committee. I want to confirm and concur to this House that the Whips have done their jobs, and tomorrow we are starting with earnest to table the committees before this House. Hon. Members, that calls for you to be present in the Assembly from tomorrow going forward lest you miss and ask the Whips what happened. I urge the House to be guided.

DISBURSEMENT SCHEDULE TO COUNTY ASSEMBLY FUND FOR FY 2026-2027

Hon. Speaker, pursuant to provision of Section 109 E (2) of the County Public Finance Laws (Amendment) Act, 2025, I beg to lay the following Paper on the Table of this Assembly, today, Tuesday 28th July 2026, as received from the Office of the Speaker on 24th June and circulated to the Committee of Budget and Appropriation for consideration:

The Disbursement Schedule to the Nairobi City County Assembly Fund for the financial year 2026-2027.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Members, the Paper as laid is now committed to the Budget and Appropriations Committee for consideration.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

HONOURING VISITING DELEGATION

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, under Order No. 2, I have the honor now to introduce members of the public at the public gallery who came to grace the occasion. I wish to recognize the presence of the members of Nairobi. May you be up standing.

Lillian Awuor, Kennedy Juma, Elizabeth Ombetho, Cynthia Akinyi, Grace Omondi, Gabriel Oduor, Justus Obondi, Benson Oduor, Dorine Wafula, Lucy Koki, Happy Alphonse, Anne Achieng, Beatrice Otieno, George Ocholla – Longstanding member who served this County from 2013 to 2017, Don Carlos Otieno, Mary Okello, Phoebe Ogutu, Isaac Ng’oki, Geoffrey Sivanda, John Mutua, Benta Ogosia, Julius Ogongo, George Nyamburi, and Dickson Ouma

(Applause)

Hon. Members, on behalf of Nairobi City County Assembly family, I wish to extend my warm welcome to the delegation. I hope that through the session, you were accorded the warmth of this Assembly. Feel at most welcome. I must also pass the regards to your intended – Let me not give him a head start, but put him in prayers, that may the wish of our Lord Jesus Christ be upon him; Hon. Wilfred Oluoch Odalo. This other title I am not sure, but he has got many caps, Ker, Doctor, and many others. Thank you for considering your constituents.

PRONOUNCEMENT OF THE BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, this afternoon we will be making Budget Pronouncements by the CEC Members Finance. I wish to extend the gesture of you nominating two members of your wards to come and grace the occasion. This is the opportunity you have to even bring your

family members. You are rich guys, somebody like Hon. Susan Makungu is wearing a Kshs. 3 million watch.

Hon. Members, I now direct that the Selection Committee be constituted tomorrow forthwith, alongside other committees. On the Budget Committee, I will make a pronouncement later tomorrow. Thank you and be guided. Hon. Members, you may be up standing.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, we have come to the close of business of this morning. The Assembly stands adjourned under our Standing Orders.

I direct that the sitting of the next Assembly be convened at 2:30 p.m. this afternoon. Have a graceful afternoon.

The House rose at 11:26 a.m.