



NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

OFFICIAL REPORT

Third County Assembly – Fifth Session

Tuesday 4th August 2026

The House met at 2.30 p.m.

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

PRAYER

QUORUM

Hon. Speaker: Clerk, confirm whether we have quorum to transact the business of the day. Hansard, please adjust the volume.

(The Clerk-at-The-Table consulted the Speaker)

Hon. Members, it has been confirmed that the House is properly constituted. I direct the Clerk-at-the-Table to read out the Order in the sequence of the Business of the day.

(Loud consultations)

Order, Hon. Members!

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITING HON. MEMBERS FROM NIGERIA

Good afternoon, Hon. Members. I have got a communication to relay in regards to acknowledgement of visiting Hon. Members from Nigeria

(Applause)

Hon. Members, today's sitting is graced by members of a delegation comprised of eminent Members and staff of Bauchi State House of Assembly, who are here at the Assembly to give a courtesy call to the office of the Speaker and a benchmarking visit to the County Assembly in various areas of interest. The Members of the distinguished delegation are seated in the Speaker's Gallery, and it is my pleasure to request them to be up standing.

(Applause)

(The delegation stood in their places)

Hon. Members, the delegation comprises of the following: -

1. Hon Saleh Hodi Jibir – from Shira Constituency and the Majority Leader;
2. Rt Hon Babayo Mohammed – Deputy Majority Leader
3. Hon Musa Wakili Nakwada – from Bogoro Constituency and the Chief Whip
4. Hon Zakariya Saleh – from Azare Constituency and the Minority Whip
5. Hon. Awwal Hassan - from Shira Constituency
6. Hon Ahmed Maikudi Yahya - from Chiroma Constituency
7. Hon. Tanko Ibrahim Burra - from Burra Constituency
8. Rt. Hon Abdullahi Ahmed - from Dass Constituency
9. Hon. Hamza Saidu - from Toro/Jemaa Constituency
10. Hon. Eng Garba Adamu - from Ganjuwa West Constituency
11. Hon. Ahmed Mohammed Lele - from Udubu Constituency
12. Hon. Mubarak Haruna - from Jamaare Constituency
13. Hon. Garba Lawan - from Warji Constituency
14. Hon. Abdullahi Yusuf - from Itas Constituency
15. Hon. Aminu Garba - from Pali Constituency
16. Mr. Musa Yerima - Deputy Clerk
17. Mr. Abi AYS - visit coordinator

(Applause)

May I therefore take this opportunity, on behalf of the County Assembly of Nairobi, to extend a warm welcome to our esteemed guests and to appreciate you for finding it appropriate to visit our Assembly. Accordingly, I wish you all the best in all your engagements within our Assembly and the country at large. Have a wonderful stay. You may be seated.

Thank you, Hon. Members.

PAPERS

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, from the onset, allow me to also welcome the Members of the State of Nigeria to this Hon. House. Feel free, you are in Kenya, a good country.

REPORT ON RECONSTITUTION OF COUNTY
ASSEMBLY'S' SELECT COMMITTEES

Hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 168 and 196 (6), I beg to lay the following Paper on the Table of the Assembly, today, Tuesday 4th August 2026:

The 2nd Report of the Select Committee on Selection on reconstitution of the County Assemblies' Select Committees and consideration of changes to the Committees' Membership.

(The Paper was laid on the Table)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Majority Leader. The Papers stand laid.

REPORT ON COUNTY GOVERNMENTS
BUDGET IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Secondly, Hon. Speaker, pursuant to Article 228 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, I beg to lay the following Paper on the Table of the Assembly, today, Tuesday 4th August 2026:

The report of the Office of the Controller of Budget on County Governments Budget Implementation Review for the first nine months of the year 2025-2026.

(The Paper was laid on the Table)

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

NOTICE OF MOTION

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, before the mover gives Notice of Motion, I wish to bring to the attention that the intended Notice of Motion is squashed by the High Court of Kenya by way of Court Order. I wish to inform the Member, Hon. Kiragu, that we have a Court Order restraining the Assembly from further engagement on this subject matter. Yes, Leader of Minority.

Hon. Anthony Karanja: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I have neither been served any court order nor has it been brought to my attention. However, I would like to refer back to the Constitution that puts this Assembly at the same level as the High Court of Kenya to remind – and I am not challenging the Court Order – that the Court from the Embu case of 2015. The court may not stop a legislative process.

Hon. Speaker, a Notice of Motion is a legislative process, and I beg that you can consult further from the legal team to know whether we can continue with this process of moving the Notice of Motion.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Minority Leader. I will give direction on the same before the conclusion of the Business of the day. Thank you for understanding.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A PUBLIC GREEN

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CREMATORIUM IN THE COUNTY

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Fiunifiu.

Hon. Kamau Fiunifiu: Hon. Speaker, I wish to give notice of the following Motion:

THAT, AWARE THAT, Article 11 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 recognizes the country's cultural diversity and requires public institutions to respect and promote the traditions, beliefs and practices of all communities;

FURTHER AWARE THAT, Paragraph 2 (f) of the Fourth Schedule of the same Constitution, provides for inter alia County health services including and in particular, cemeteries, funeral parlours and crematoria as a County mandate;

ACKNOWLEDGING THAT, rapid urbanization and population growth have increased demand for burial spaces amidst the growing need for cremation services as an alternative for a dignified funeral process;

APPRECIATING THAT, establishment of a modern public green crematorium for a dignified end of life services that promotes efficient land use and support cleaner energy efficient and low energy crematorium, can easily be realized through a public private partnership (PPP) or other strategic partnerships with faith based organizations, private investors, charitable institutions and or development partners, thereby reducing the financial burden on the County Government of Nairobi City while maintaining high standards of environmental protection, public health and service delivery;

NOW THEREFORE, this Assembly urges the Nairobi City County Executive to: -

1. Undertake a feasibility study on the establishment of a public green crematorium adjacent to Murumbi Peace Memorial Park, at City Park near the Goan Cemetery;
2. Conduct public participation with religious organizations, cultural groups, residents and other stakeholders on the project;
3. Explore PPP and other partnership models for the financing, construction, operation and maintenance of the facility;
4. Develop a policy and operational framework to ensure the crematorium is affordable, environmentally sustainable, energy efficient and respectful of Nairobi's cultural and religious diversity; and
5. Submit a report to the County Assembly within 90 days on the feasibility, partnership options, implementation roadmap and budget implications of the proposed project.

Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: The notice as requested stands given. Clerk!

STATEMENT

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING OPERATIONAL
AND REVENUE MANAGEMENT STATUS OF CITY MARKET

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Redson Onyango.

Hon. Redson Onyango: Hon. Speaker, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 47 (2) (c), I wish to request a Statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Trade, Tourism and Cooperatives regarding the operational and revenue management status of City Market and other County revenue markets.

Hon. Speaker, County markets are one of the own source revenue for the Nairobi City County Government and play an important role in supporting service delivery. However, concerns have been raised regarding employee absenteeism and alleged revenue leakages that continue to undermine efficient market operations and optimal revenue collection.

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

1. A detailed report on the number of staff deployed at City Market;
2. A report on allegations of unprofessional and unbecoming conduct by members of staff serving at City Market, including any disciplinary action taken against officers found culpable;
3. Alleged revenue leakages arising from collusion between revenue officers and enforcement officers;
4. Measures being undertaken to improve the performance and work ethic of revenue officers deployed at City Market; and
5. A detailed report on strategies and interventions the County Executive has put in place to enhance revenue collection, improve operational efficiency, and maximize revenue generation from County markets.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Member, you are aware committees are not in place. You will have to bear with the Assembly until committees shall be constituted. Meanwhile, I direct the Liaison Committee to give an undertaking on behalf of the relevant committee. Leader of Majority, please.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, we are in the process of constituting all the committees and I believe that in the next two weeks, we will be able to address Statements before this House. I beg to take the undertaking

Hon. Speaker: Thank you. Do we have Hon. Majiwa? Kindly Clerk, proceed.

MOTIONS

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Majority Leader. Clerk, kindly facilitate the Majority Leader on Motion No. 8.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, where I am seated, I have a problem, and this problem can only be sorted by you, Hon. Speaker, asking the Chair for Budget and the Chair for *okothology*, Hon. Oscar Lore, to give me silence. I have a lot of duties to execute here. *Okothology* is a process of gathering and splitting.

(Hon. Samson Ooko raised a point of Order)

(Hon. Speaker Ken Ng'ondi left the Chair)

(Hon. Temporary Speaker Malyun Abdi in the Chair)

Hon. Jera, wants to challenge the word 'okothology'. I do not know if he has a dictionary. It is a process of picking and dispersing, and it must have the mechanism to execute it

Madam Speaker, THAT, pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Orders No. 203 (1), this Assembly approves the appointment of the following Members of the Select Committee on Public Accounts: -

1. The Hon. Abel Atito, MCA
2. The Hon. Benter Juma Obiero, MCA
3. The Hon. Redson Onyango, MCA
4. The Hon. John Rex Omolleh, MCA
5. The Hon. Stazo Omung'ala Ang'ila, MCA
6. The Hon. Richardo Nyantika Billy, MCA
7. The Hon. John Ndile Musila, MCA
8. The Hon. Cyrus Mugo Mubea, MCA
9. The Hon. Jane Musangi Muthembwa, MCA
10. The Hon. Emmy Khatemeshi Isalambo, MCA
11. The Hon. Fuad Hussein Mohamed, MCA
12. The Hon. Nicholas Juma, MCA
13. The Hon. Fatuma Abduwahid Abey, MCA
14. The Hon. Chege Mwaura, MCA
15. The Hon. Eutychus Mukiri, MCA
16. The Hon. Fredrick Njogu, MCA
17. The Hon. Aaron Kangara Wangare, MCA
18. The Hon. Martin Mbugua, MCA
19. The Hon. Carrington Heho, MCA
20. The Hon. Mark Thiga, MCA
21. The Hon. Rachel Maina, MCA
22. The Hon. Paul Wachira, MCA
23. The Hon. Simon Mugo, MCA

I beg the Minority Leader to second.

Hon. Anthony Karanja: Thank you, Hon. Speaker, I beg to second.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, you may now debate. My screen is clear. The mover to reply.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: We are good citizens. Madam Speaker, I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INVESTMENTS

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Leader of Majority.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Madam Speaker, THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 204 (1), this Assembly approves the appointment of the following Members to the Select Committee on Public Investments: -

1. The Hon. Dan Oria, MCA
2. The Hon. Robert Alai, MCA
3. The Hon. Thuo Fiunifu, MCA
4. The Hon. Anthony Kimemia, MCA
5. The Hon. Stephen Ndegwa, MCA
6. The Hon. Evans Nyangicha, MCA
7. The Hon. Peter Imwatok, MCA
8. The Hon. Malyun Abdi, MCA
9. The Hon. Hellen Awour, MCA
10. The Hon. Antony Maragu, MCA
11. The Hon. Jared Akama Ondieki, MCA
12. The Hon. Patrick Karani, MCA
13. The Hon. David Magoba, MCA
14. The Hon Hashim Athman Kamau, MCA
15. The Hon. Tricer Jeptoo Ayabei, MCA
16. The Hon. Eric Kiogora, MCA
17. The Hon Peter Maina Mwangi, MCA
18. The Hon. Jeremiah Themendu, MCA
19. The Hon. Brian Itenya, MCA
20. The Hon Deonysias Mwangi, MCA
21. The Hon Francis Kimondo, MCA
22. The Hon Cecilia Wairimu, MCA
23. The Hon Grace Kaheti, MCA

Madam Speaker, allow me to ask the Whip of the Minority side to second.

Hon. Mark Mugambi: Thank you, Madam Speaker, I beg to second as it is. Thank you.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, you may now debate.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, is there somebody?

Hon. Temporary Speaker: No!

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, I beg to reply.

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, Order! Thank you, the Leader of the Majority.

(Question put and agreed to)

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEE ON
COUNTY FINANCE, BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, I am privileged to be seated next to the then His Worship the Mayor of the City. The question is, “Am I am safe?” Madam Speaker. I am just bringing to your attention that my safety might be jeopardized.

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 205 (1), this Assembly approves the appointment of the following Members to the Select Committee on County Finance, Budget and Appropriations: -

1. The Hon. Wilfred Oluoch Odalo, MCA
2. The Hon. Emily Oduor, MCA
3. The Hon. Jeckoniah Onyango, MCA
4. The Hon. Catherine Apiyo Okoth, MCA
5. The Hon. Moses Ogeto, MCA
6. The Hon. Jane Muasya, MCA
7. The Hon. Hashim Muhamed, MCA
8. The Hon. Rosemary Masitsa, MCA
9. The Hon. Perpetua Mponjiwa, MCA
10. The Hon. Collins Ogenga, MCA
11. The Hon. Fathiya Abdillahi Mohamed, MCA
12. The Hon. Jane Wanjiru, MCA
13. The Hon. Peter Owera, MCA
14. The Hon Sam Kago, MCA
15. The Hon Anthony Ngaruiya Jasho, MCA
16. The Hon Paul Ndung’u, MCA
17. The Hon Virginia Waitherero, MCA
18. The Hon Waruguru Kanyi, MCA
19. The Hon Joyce Kamau Muthoni, MCA
20. The Hon Kimani Mugo, MCA
21. The Hon Anthony Kiragu, MCA
22. The Hon Mark Mugambi, MCA

23. The Hon Susan Makungu, MCA

Madam Speaker, allow me to bring in the Chief Whip of the Majority side to second.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Madam Speaker, I second.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Any debate? The screens are still clear. The mover to reply.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Madam Speaker, this is a very important Committee, and I would not want to see the transfer of power from the ‘white seats’ to the Committee of Budget and Appropriations.

(Laughter)

Because I am seeing one of the appointee, Virginia Waitherero, has been the chairperson of the ‘white seats’ revolution. I believe she will now bring revolution to the Budget Committee to transform the City of Nairobi to be a city that works, not a committee of a city of destruction.

(Applause)

Madam Speaker, I congratulate the Minority Leader for a good job done. On why the Budget is not passed, it cannot be conversed in ‘white seats’ without the chairperson of the ‘white seats’, who is now in the Budget Committee, explaining the reality. I beg to reply.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Members are well protected, Hon. Minority Leader.

(Question put and agreed to)

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO
COMMITTEE ON DELEGATED COUNTY LEGISLATION

Hon. Peter Imwatok: I want to assure you that the list of all sectoral committees’ membership will come on Tuesday next week at a time like this. The Whips are still working. Please allow the Whips to finish their alignments and the political direction they get from respective parties. I therefore ask His Worship to allow me to read the Motion No. 11.

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 208 (1), this Assembly approves the appointment of the following Members to the Select Committee on Delegated County Legislation:

1. The Hon. Nasra Nanda, MCA
2. The Hon. Joyce Lugonzo, MCA
3. The Hon. Lawrence Odhiambo, MCA
4. The Hon. Dan Oria, MCA
5. The Hon. Naomi Kerubo, MCA
6. The Hon. Ami Peres, MCA
7. The Hon. Clarence Munga, MCA
8. The Hon. Victor Omondi, MCA
9. The Hon. Agnes Wambui, MCA

10. The Hon. Stephen Ndegwa, MCA
11. The Hon. Moses Kitema, MCA
12. The Hon. Emmy Khatemeshi, MCA
13. The Hon. Robert Alai, MCA
14. The Hon. Chris Mutumishi, MCA
15. The Hon. Martin Wairobi, MCA
16. The Hon. Davidson DNG Ngibuini, MCA
17. The Hon. Waithera Chege, MCA
18. The Hon. Lydia Okoth, MCA
19. The Hon. Beatrice Wandai, MCA
20. The Hon. Grace Kaheti, MCA
21. The Hon Mwaniki Kwenya, MCA
22. The Hon. Cecilia Wairimu, MCA
23. The Hon. Virginia Waitherero, MCA

Allow me to ask His Worship the Mayor to second me on this.

Hon. Geophrey Majiwa: Thank you, Hon. Speaker, I beg to second.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, you may now debate.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: On Tuesday, we will not yet be on recess. We will be on recess next week but one. So, the Assembly is still on. I have confirmed with my counterpart and the Whips that we want to assure Members that by the end of next week, all committees will be fully reconstituted and elections commence immediately. Thereafter, there will be induction of every committee from next week but one. I will be in Russia meeting the president of Russia, Vladimir Putin. So, do not look for me on phone.

(Laughter)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Majority Leader, we were on Motion No. 11. You are to reply.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: I have a problem, I am being confused by... Thank you, I was sweating because... Madam Speaker, I beg to reply.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Majority Leader, now you are safe, the Member has changed his sitting position.

(Question put and agreed to)

APPROVAL OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEE ON WARD DEVELOPMENT FUND

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Thank you for your wisdom.

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Section 35 of the Nairobi City County

Wards Development Fund Act, 2014, this Assembly approves the appointment of the following Members to the Select Committee on Wards Development Fund: -

1. The Hon. Dabar Ahmedqadar, MCA
2. The Hon. Oscar Lore, MCA
3. The Hon. Silas Matara, MCA
4. The Hon. Scolastica Muthoni, MCA
5. The Hon. John Musila, MCA
6. The Hon. Hamisi Maleya, MCA
7. The Hon. Mwaura Samora, MCA
8. The Hon. James Korja, MCA
9. The Hon. Gerald Irungu, MCA
10. The Hon. Joseph Ndungu Karanja, MCA
11. The Hon. Sospeter Mumbi, MCA

Hon. Speaker, I call upon the Chair of Budget to second.

Hon. Wilfred Odalo: Madam Speaker, I second.

(Hon. Beatrice Ichun'gwa consulted loudly)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Ichung'wa, kindly consult in low tone.

(Question proposed)

Point of Information

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Who do you want to inform the Member?

Hon. Kennedy Oyugi: I want to inform the Member. Mheshimiwa, of course you know that I am not a mad person, so whenever I rise...

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Member, address the Chair and not the Hon. Member.

Hon. Kennedy Oyugi: Thank you. Madam Speaker, if you go to Motion No. 11 and 12, the titles are the same. I am asking for amendment on the titles of the two motions. You can read it and understand my concerns. Thank you.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Madam Speaker, I agree with the Member of Highrise Ward, a ranking Member, that he is not a mad man. I am happy that he took a slogan that if you can't make money make a name, and that name will make you money one day. Thank you for being a good student.

Hon. Speaker, we have already corrected the anomaly with the Clerk-at-the Table and I read on Hansard as Ward Development Fund as opposed to the other one that I had read; the Delegated Legislation. It is very clear on Hansard on titling. A very sober member for Highrise, you are not a mad man. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: The mover to reply.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

APPROVAL OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEE
ON PROCEDURES AND RULES

Hon. Peter Imwatok: THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 206(1), this Assembly approves the appointment of the following Members to the Select Committee on Procedure and Rules: -

1. The Hon. Kennedy Okeyo Ng'ondi, MCA – Speaker (Chairperson)
2. The Hon. Paul Kiguathi Kados, MCA – Deputy Speaker
3. The Hon. Hon. Peter Imwatok, MCA, – Majority Leader
4. The Hon. Anthony Kiragu, MCA – Minority Leader
5. The Hon. Moses Ogeto, MCA – Majority Party Whip
6. The Hon. Perpetua Mponjiwa, MCA
7. The Hon. Jane Muasya, MCA
8. The Hon. Mark Mugambi, MCA – Minority Whip
9. The Hon. Waithera Chege, MCA
10. The Hon. Paul Ndung'u, MCA

I call upon Chege Mwaura to second.

Hon. Chege Mwaura: Madam Speaker, I beg to second, thank you.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: The mover to reply.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

APPROVAL OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Madam Speaker, THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 202(1), this Assembly approves the appointment of the following Members to the Select Committee on Appointments: -

1. The Hon. Kennedy Okeyo Ng'ondi, MCA – Chairperson
2. The Hon. Peter Imwatok Jateso, MCA – Majority Leader
3. The Hon. Anthony Kiragu Karanja, MCA – Minority Leader
4. The Hon. Moses Ogeto Nyangaresi, MCA – Majority Whip
5. The Hon. Mark Mugambi Macharia, MCA – Minority Whip
6. The Hon. Wilfred Odalo, MCA
7. The Hon. Oscar Lore, MCA
8. The Hon. Emily Oduor, MCA
9. The Hon. Chege Mwaura, MCA

10. The Hon. Susan Kavaya Makungu, MCA

I invite the just upgraded Charlady, Virginia Waitherero to second.

Hon. Virginia Waitherero: Madam Speaker, I second

(Applause)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Thank you, Madam Chairlady.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: The mover to reply.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Hon. Speaker, I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

APPROVAL OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEE
ON LOANS AND MORTGAGE

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Madam Speaker, THAT, this Assembly approves the appointment of the following Members to the Select Committee on Loans Management: -

1. The Hon. Peter Imwatok Jateso, MCA – Majority Leader
2. The Hon. Anthony Kiragu Karanja, MCA – Minority Leader
3. The Hon. Moses Ogeto Nyangaresi, MCA – Majority Whip
4. The Hon. Mark Mugambi Macharia, MCA – Minority Whip
5. The Hon. Paul Kados, MCA
6. The Hon. Wilfred Odalo, MCA
7. The Hon. Martin Mbugua, MCA
8. The Hon. Fathiya Abdillahi Mohamed, MCA

Madam Speaker, allow me to invite Hon. Themendu to second.

Hon. Jeremiah Themendu: Thank you, Madam Speaker, I second

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Any debate, Hon. Members? The mover to reply.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Madam Speaker, I have to first congratulate my brother, Hon. Themendu. I am hearing from this side *unaitwa daraja*. From the news that I watched this morning back in my village where my community is so proud of their son putting them where to go across the other side of the isle where the water cannot be moved without a passage – It is my aspiration not to this alone, but one day I am intending to build a proper bridge on that particular area and the chief guest of opening that bridge will be no one other than Themendu and the entire Assembly.

You will officially visit the Teso nation when I will be unveiling a proper constructed bridge that will save the people of Teso land from the challenges that they are going through

Hon. Speaker, I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

APPROVAL OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEE
ON POWERS AND PRIVILEGES

Hon. Peter Imwatok: THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Section 15 of the County Assemblies Powers and Privileges Act, 2017, this Assembly approves the appointment of the following Members to the Select Committee on Powers and Privileges: -

1. The Hon. Kennedy O. Ng'ondi, MCA – Speaker
2. The Hon. Paul Kiguathi Kados, MCA– Deputy Speaker
3. The Hon. Peter Imwatok, MCA
4. The Hon. John Ndile, MCA
5. The Hon. Catherine Okoth, MCA
6. The Hon. Wilfred Odalo, MCA
7. The Hon. Victor Ochola, MCA
8. The Hon. Anthony Kiragu, MCA
9. The Hon. Aron Kangara, MCA
10. The Hon. Farhiya Daudi Aden, MCA
11. The Hon. Grace Kaheti, MCA
12. The Hon. Agnes Njeri Muthoni, MCA
13. The Hon. Joyce Muthoni, MCA

Madam Speaker, I request Hon. Magoba to second this Motion, but I will consider with the Whip what your cry is when we will be bringing other committees for amendment.

Hon. David Odhiambo: Madam Speaker, I beg to second.

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Order, Hon. Members! It is part of learning.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Members, you may now debate. The mover to reply.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Madam Speaker, on my calendar of events for today, this is the last Motion, as we go to Motion No. 17. I must applaud the Whip's office, the Majority and the Minority side, and more importantly the Selection Committee which enabled us to come to where we are today. For those aspiring to be chairs of these committees, apart from the statutory committees, they have the liberty to start campaigning before the Members. I am looking forward that by next week, all these committees would have done their elections. I hereby request that you do your campaigns peacefully and engage your Members. And for those campaigning to maintain their seats, it is a time to see us. I am a member of committees; you can ask for my vote in a very candid way. I look forward to have chairmen that are ready to serve the people of Nairobi.

As I said, I will be leaving for Russia on Friday and coming back on Tuesday to table these other committees, and then leave again for Russia on Tuesday evening and come back next week but one when all elections will have been done. Therefore, you are on your own as you seek votes, and I pray for you. When you win, I win, and when you lose, I lose. But I look forward to win with you. My prayers go to all those who have vied. May the Almighty bless this Assembly.

Madam Speaker, I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

BILL

Second Reading

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY YOUTH EMPOWERMENT AND SERVICE BILL, 2026

Hon. Kamau Fiunifiu: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I do not know why the Members are leaving the House and the matter before this House is very important. It concerns the youth who want to inherit your seats.

(Hon. Geophrey Majiwa spoke off the record)

Thank you. Hon. Speaker, thank you for this opportunity. I beg to move:

THAT, the Nairobi City County Youth Empowerment and Service Bill, 2026 (Assembly Bill No.4 of 2026) be read a Second Time.

Hon. Speaker, in a nutshell, this Bill seeks to establish a comprehensive framework to empower the youth of Nairobi City County by promoting meaningful participation in governance, leadership, development, entrepreneurship, innovation, skills, and also access to opportunities.

Madam Speaker, the youth constitute the largest and the most energetic segment of our population, yet many of them face unemployment, limited access to skills, inadequate opportunities, and inefficient representation. This Bill does not create dependence. It creates opportunity, and it seeks to harness creativity, talent and innovation of our young people.

During public participation, we received valuable submissions from young people, civil society organizations, stakeholders that strengthened the Bill and affirmed the need for a robust legal framework.

I therefore urge all Hon. Members, the guardians of their political affiliation, to support this progressive Bill, and allow it to proceed to the next stage of consideration. With those remarks, Hon. Speaker, I once again ask the Members of this Assembly to support this Bill to become an Act of the Nairobi City County Government, so that we can have a structured Youth Department within Nairobi City County.

I request Hon Kennedy Oyugi to second the Motion. Thank you, Hon. Speaker

Hon. Kennedy Oyugi: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Hon Fiunifiu should address me with the title that is appropriate title. I am not Oyugi Kennedy; I am Hon. Kennedy Oyugi.

(Hon. Kamau Fiunifiu spoke off the record)

Thank you. I beg to second.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Member for Nyayo Highrise Ward.

(Question proposed)

Members, you may now debate. Hon. Simon Mugo?

Hon. Silas Matara: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I have raised this issue many times, that for one reason or another, we are unable to effectively debate and make meaningful contributions to this House by the virtue of not having a card. I have already sought intervention from your Office and the Clerk's Office. Maybe in the next sitting, I humbly request that you address that concern and give me a reply on that.

Secondly, Hon. Speaker, I wish and I extend gratitude to Mheshimiwa Kamau Thuo for this Bill. Although, he would have taken time to inform Members on this Bill so that we can get to adequately give meaningful contributions.

Ho. Speaker, I have seen it captures the needs of the youths of this able County. For that reason, whatever is in support or whatever is going to give life to the hopes and aspirations of the youths of this County, I humbly support. I hope that the Assembly is going to expedite the Bill so that it sees the light of day in terms of ascension. And the Executive, from the other end, is going to give life to it with the necessary policies and regulations to be able to implement whatever wishes the Hon. Member has captured in the Bill. I will interact with it, and may be in the future, we will be able to give more views on the same. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Thank you. Maybe a show of hands because my screen is clear. The mover to reply.

Hon. Kamau Fiunifiu: Hon. Speaker, thank you so much for the opportunity. I would also want to extend the same to the Members here. I also thank the Member for Nyayo Highrise for seconding, and Hon. Silas Matara for supporting this Bill.

Hon. Speaker, silence is consent. As you have seen, Members are happy with this Bill. When it comes to issues of the youths of our County, who are endowed with a lot of resources as young people, the Members of Nairobi City County Assembly would support. So, once again, thank you to Members and the secretariat, as we move to the next step. I thank you all.

I reply, Hon. Speaker.

(Question put and agreed to)

(The Bill was read a Second Time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House)

MOTION

SENSITIZATION CAMPAIGN AND REHABILITATION PROGRAMS

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FOR YOUTH ON DRUGS AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Kennedy Oyugi.

Hon. Kennedy Oyugi: Thank you once more, Madam Speaker.

AWARE THAT, Article 55 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 provides inter-alia that the State shall take measures, including affirmative action programs to ensure that youth are protected from harmful cultural practice and exploitation;

DEEPLY CONCERNED THAT, drug and substance abuse remains a significant and growing challenge among the youth within Nairobi City County, adversely affecting their health, productivity, security, and overall socio-economic well-being;

DISTURBED THAT, the prevalence of drug abuse has contributed to increased cases of crime, school dropouts, unemployment, mental health disorders, and family disintegration within the County;

NOTING THAT, Part II of the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, provides for the functions and powers of the County Governments, which includes inter-alia Control of drugs and pornography;

COGNIZANT THAT, the National Authority for the Campaign Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (NACADA) is mandated to coordinate a multi-sectoral approach in preventing, controlling, and mitigating drug and substance abuse in Kenya;

RECOGNIZING THAT, effective sensitization, early intervention, and rehabilitation programs are critical in addressing the root causes and consequences of drug abuse among the youth;

FURTHER RECOGNIZING THAT, reformed youth who have successfully overcome drug addiction can play a vital role as peer educators and role models in community-based prevention efforts;

THIS ASSEMBLY THEREFORE RESOLVES THAT; -

1. The County Government of Nairobi collaborates with NACADA and other relevant national government agencies, non-governmental organizations, and community-based organizations to design and implement comprehensive programs aimed at sensitizing, promoting preventive education in schools, community centers, and informal settlements to the youth on the dangers of drug and substance abuse, and enhancing access to counseling and rehabilitation services within the County;
2. The County Government identifies and supports reformed youth to serve as “Drug-Free Youth Champions”, who shall act as peer educators and advocates against drug abuse, participate in mentorship and outreach programs and share lived experiences to inspire behavior change among fellow youth;
3. The County Government develops a sustainable framework for reintegration of rehabilitated youth into society through skills development, vocational training and access to employment and entrepreneurship opportunities; and

4. The County Executive submits an annual report to the County Assembly detailing the progress made in combating drug and substance abuse, number of youth reached through sensitization programs and outcomes of rehabilitation and reintegration initiatives.

Madam Speaker, I request Hon. Paul Wachira to second this Motion. Thank you.

Hon. Paul Kariuki: Thank you, Madam Speaker. As I second, I want to congratulate the Member of Nyayo Highrise Ward for this well thought out Motion that is attempting to bring a joint approach to curbing drug and alcohol abuse in our areas of representation.

Previously, we have had disjointed approaches that were centered in either NACADA or the Nairobi Liquor Board. Having a joint approach to this, I believe it would bring the desired results. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, you may now debate. Hon. Emmy Isalambo.

Hon. Emmy Isalambo: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I want to congratulate the Hon. Member for Nyayo Highrise Ward for bringing in this timely Motion. As a mother in Nairobi County, we mentor youth. This Motion, together with the Bill that the Hon. Member from Karura Ward has just implemented, will let our youth work in partnership.

With their desk at the County, I think it is going to work well and our youth will embrace it. In most cases, if you go around especially early in the morning, you would see a lot of youth loitering in the streets of Nairobi abusing drugs like alcohol, without the knowledge of its dangers.

The Hon. Member who brought in this Motion might have seen it even in his ward. If we embrace this Motion, it is going to work well. I will be among the those pushing the Motion to happen. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Lily Kidenda.

Hon. Lily Kidenda: Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. I rise to support the Motion as presented by Hon. Oyugi. As a counseling psychologist and a real supporter of mental health, I rise to inform the House that this is real problem, not only amongst our youth. We need to be cognizant of the fact that this is a national problem, and if we do not take specific steps to find ways of supporting not only the youth but the population in this country, we may be allowing this country to go into very serious problems. As we look at this, we will be able to understand that some of the problems that our youth are actually experiencing, originates from their homes.

Hon. Speaker, in this country, many people do not appreciate the fact that amongst the things that our people get addicted to, alcohol is at the top of it. Many people in the nation use alcohol as a social thing that helps us interact, but if not checked, it can totally ruin a society. I would therefore like to say that this should be looked at and embraced with the seriousness that it requires. I support. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: My screen is still clear. Maybe by show of hands? Hon. Fiunifiu.

Hon. Kamau Fiunifiu: Once again, thank you, Hon. Speaker, for the opportunity to contribute to this significant Motion before this Assembly. I also wish to commend the Member for Nyayo Highrise Ward for being thoughtful and also bringing such a timely Motion to this Assembly.

From the onset, I support this Motion totally. Hon. Speaker, this Motion is an indictment on the County Executive, particularly the Liquor Department. It cannot only be that the department is in business of generating revenue in millions every other year since the advent of the new Constitution and the enactment of the County Alcohol Control Act. We have not seen the department putting effort in coming up with rehabilitation centers and also doing campaigns on advising young people and the older generation not to partake alcohol in an irresponsible manner.

We must agree that alcohol, in a big way, support the economy of this Country. But that alcohol must be taken responsibly, Hon. Speaker. Even in this Assembly, we have Members who partake, but do so responsibly. So, I would wish that this Assembly passes this Motion and it goes to the Implementation Committee, and we can have the responsible department giving answers on this. We cannot only be taking revenue from the bar owners and brewers but leaving our community vulnerable.

With those few remarks, I support in totality, and I urge Members of this Assembly to support this Motion. I am looking forward to see the former Chairman of Liquor Board, because he is a Member here, to also say something about this. I expect you to support this Motion, Hon. Member for Riruta Ward.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Cyrus Matara.

Hon. Cyrus Matara: Thank you, Hon. Speaker, for this opportunity. I rise to support this Motion vehemently on two or three aspects. Aspect number one, this House has received several Motions in that regard and pertaining to other matters, but there is a gap in terms of implementation. It is important that the Executive treats these Motions as important and urgent.

When you speak about the youth, we have spent a lot of money in building facilities for the youth, and we have created opportunities for jobs in this able County. But drug and substance abuse negates the purposes of the interventions that we get to carry out as a County.

Drug and alcohol abuse is also affecting performance of the staff of this County. You walk to our respective wards, the youth that we employ, be it in Green Army, be it the constables, they are affected by this menace. So, the County should take this Motion and make sure that it incorporates how the County staff can be able to benefit from such programs for effective delivery of services to Nairobi.

At the end of the term, we are going to be judged on how we socially empowered our people. So, by ensuring that such programs are put in place, it is a sort of social empowerment. We should also prioritize on making budgetary provisions to be able to make sure that such programs are able to be implemented adequately. Because as leaders, we cannot only focus on physical infrastructure.

Hon. Speaker, you realize broken families and broken societies are caused by drug abuse. We have a rehabilitation facility at the County level, I think it goes hand in hand with the proposal

made by the Hon. Member to ensure that it is well-equipped and all the requirements, be it drugs necessary, the medical personnel are able to help the afflicted youths.

With those few remarks, I beg to support the Motion.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: My screen is still clear, maybe by a show of hands? The mover to reply.

Hon. Kennedy Oyugi: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Allow me to take the opportunity to thank all the Members for giving their well thought out opinions towards this Motion. I want to agree with almost all the Membership who have spoken on this Motion.

Madam Speaker, we have a problem at the implementation. We have passed so many Bills in this House, but when it comes to implementation, it is like we have been doing zero work as an Assembly. Again, as Hon. Fiunifiu has alluded, we have our own Liquor Board within the County. One is left wondering what is the purpose. Why did we as a County form the Liquor Board? What is the work of Liquor Board in this County? The Board is collecting a lot of money in terms of, we call it revenue. If you see the reasons as to why the Liquor Board was formed, it is not serving the purpose at all.

Madam Speaker, with those few remarks, I want to encourage the Members of the Executive to take it upon themselves and act with utmost urgency to implement this Motion. Otherwise, thank you all, the Members of the House.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: You have to beg to reply.

Hon. Kennedy Oyugi: Sorry, I beg to reply, Madam Speaker.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Thank you so much, Hon. Members. We have come to the end of the Business of today, The Assembly Business Committee to meet at the rise of the Assembly.

(The Temporary Speaker consulted with the Clerk-at-the-Table)

I am hearing the Assembly Business is not meeting, they had met this morning. I therefore adjourn the House to tomorrow, Wednesday 5th August 2026 at 2.30 p.m. Thank you so much, and God bless you all.

The House rose at 4:22 p.m.