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**SIXTH REPORT OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY BUDGET
AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

ON

**THE VETTING OF THE CHIEF OFFICER FOR FINANCE
NOMINEE FOR NAIROBI CITY COUNTY**

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PREAMBLE

Mr. Speaker Sir, On behalf of the Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee and pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 191 (5) (f), it is my pleasure and duty to present to the Assembly, the Committee's Report on the vetting of the Nairobi City County Chief Officer of Finance Nominee.

Mr. Speaker Sir, the County Assembly Budget & Appropriations Committee as currently constituted comprises of the following Members:

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| 1. Hon. Michael O. Okumu, MCA | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. George Ochola, MCA. | Vice Chairman |
| 3. Hon. Alfred Ambani, MCA. | |
| 4. Hon. Maurice O. Akuk, MCA | |
| 5. Hon. Oscar Lore, MCA | |
| 6. Hon. Osman Adow Ibrahim, MCA. | |
| 7. Hon. Jackson Kiama Gikandi, MCA. | |
| 8. Hon. Kenneth Thugi Muroki, MCA | |
| 9. Hon. David Njoroge Kairu, MCA | |
| 10. Hon. Petronilla Nafula, MCA | |
| 11. Hon. Herman Azungu, MCA | |
| 12. Hon. Emmaculate Musya, MCA | |
| 13. Hon. Joash Omwega, MCA | |
| 14. Hon. Kennedy Oduru, MCA | |
| 15. Hon. Isaac N. Ngige, MCA | |
| 16. Hon. Ngaruiya Chege, MCA | |
| 17. Hon. Samuel Irungu, MCA | |
| 18. Hon. Benedette Wangui, MCA | |
| 19. Hon. Victoria Alali, MCA | |

Committee's Mandate

Mr. Speaker Sir, the Nairobi County Assembly Budget and Appropriations Committee is constituted under the provisions of Standing Order 187. Its mandate pursuant to Standing Order 187(3) is to:-

- a) investigate, inquire into and report on all matters related to coordination, control and monitoring of the of the county budget;
- b) discuss and review the estimates and make recommendations to the County Assembly;
- c) examine the County Budget Policy Statement presented to the County Assembly;
- d) examine Bills related to the county budget, including Appropriations Bills; and
- e) evaluate tax estimates, economic and budgetary policies and programmes with direct budget outlay

The Committee through the Second Schedule of the County Government Act 2012 is empowered to act as the Finance Committee hence also taking on the role of a Sectoral Committee. Standing Order No. 191 (5) (f) provides that a Sectoral Committee shall, *vet and report on all appointments where the Constitution or any law requires the County Assembly to approve, except those under Standing Order 185 (Committee on Appointments)*

Nomination of the Chief Officer for Finance

Mr. Speaker Sir, Pursuant to Article 179 (b) of the Constitution and the provisions of section 45 of the County Government Act, 2012, H.E. the Governor, through a message to the Speaker of the Nairobi City County Assembly forwarded to the Clerk of the Nairobi City County Assembly, the name of the following nominee vide a letter dated 13th December, 2013 for vetting by the Budget and Appropriations Committee and consideration for approval by the Nairobi City County Assembly for appointment as the Nairobi City County Chief Officer for Finance:-

Nominee	Department
Mr. Jimmy Mutuku Kiamba	Finance and Economic Planning

On Tuesday 28th January, 2014 the Honourable Speaker in a communication to the Assembly, informed the Assembly that he had received the names of the said nominee and directed that the Curriculum Vitae and Certificates of the said nominee be referred to the

Report on the vetting of the Nominee (Mr. Jimmy Mutuku Kiamba) to be appointed as the Chief Officer for Finance and Economic Planning for Nairobi County Government

Budget and Appropriations Committee for vetting and reporting to the Assembly on the resumption for the second session.

The public was expected to participate in the vetting process through the submission of memoranda (affidavit) on the suitability or otherwise of the nominee. On Monday 3rd February, 2014, the Clerk of the Nairobi City County Assembly placed an advertisement in the print media inviting the public to submit memoranda by 10th February 2014 on the suitability or otherwise of the said one (1) nominee. However, no memoranda were received from the public.

The nominee submitted copies of the following documents :-

- Curriculum Vitae/ Personal credentials/ academic certificates
- Clearance certificate from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission
- Compliance Certificate from Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA)
- Clearance Certificate from the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB)
- Certificate of Good Conduct from Criminal Investigation Department (CID)

Committee Meetings

The Committee held a total of four (4) sittings one of which Mr. Jimmy M. Kiamba appeared before the committee on Budget and Appropriations and was vetted accordance to the provisions of the County Government Act 2012, for appointment as Chief Officer for Finance.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Mr. Speaker Sir, I would like to thank Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee for their dedication, commitment, integrity and valuable contributions in carrying out the process.

Mr. Speaker Sir, the Committee is grateful to the Office of the Speaker and the office of Clerk of County Assembly for the support received as it discharged its mandate of vetting the Nominee.

Mr. Speaker Sir, It is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege, on behalf of the Budget & Appropriations Committee to table this Report and recommend it to the House for adoption.

SIGN.....

DATE.....

Hon. Michael O. Okumu, MCA Chairman

1.0 VETTING OF THE CHIEF OFFICER OF FINANCE NOMINEE

In conducting the vetting process, the Budget and Appropriations Committee examined the nominee against the following criteria, amongst others, in accordance with the public appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act No. 33 of 2011.

- (i) Academic qualifications
- (ii) Employment record
- (iii) Professional affiliations
- (iv) Potential conflict of interest
- (v) Knowledge of the relevant field
- (vi) Overall suitability for the position
- (vii) Tax compliance
- (viii) Integrity

During its Sitting held on Tuesday 11th February, 2014 at the Council Chambers (City Hall Building), the Committee orally interviewed the nominee for appointment as the Nairobi City County Chief Officer for Finance. The minutes of the vetting proceedings are attached (**Annex 2**)

2.0 MR. JIMMY MUTUKU KIAMBA – NAIROBI CITY COUNTY CHIEF OFFICER FOR FINANCE NOMINEE

Mr. Jimmy Kiamba appeared before the Committee on Tuesday 11th February, 2014. After introductions, the Chairperson informed the nominee that despite the Assembly inviting the public to make any submissions on his suitability for appointment to the public office none had been received.

The nominee in regard to his suitability for appointment as the Chief Officer for Finance stated to the Committee as follows:-

- i) **Academic Qualifications**
 - He had graduated at the University of Nairobi with an MBA in Finance in the year 2007.
 - He was a Certified Public Accountant(CPAK), ICPAK, 1994-1997

- He held a Bachelor's Degree (1st Class Honours) in Science (Business Administration) from United States International University.
 - He had completed his Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education from Mumbuni High School, C+ (Plus) in the year 1992.
- ii) Employment Record**
- He was serving as the Interim Chief Finance Officer, Nairobi City County Treasury
 - He had served as City Treasurer in the defunct Mombasa City Council between 2009 and 2011.
 - In the year between 2007 and 2009 he worked as Town Treasurer in the defunct Mavoko Municipal Council.
 - Director in the Board of Nairobi City Water Company and member of the Audit Committee.
- iii) Professional Affiliation**
- He was a registered member of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants, ICPAK. He had been a member since 2003, member No.3407. (**annex 3**)
- iv) Potential Conflict of Interest**
- His filled questionnaire indicated that he had no relative/family member working in or with the Nairobi City County. He also indicated that there were no areas that would create potential conflict of interest.
- v) Overall Suitability for the Position**
- The nominee submitted to the Committee that he was qualified to be appointed to the position because he had the requisite academic credentials: He was a holder of a first degree from a university recognized in Kenya; had a relevant Master's Degree; and was computer literate.
 - He has had knowledge and experience of over 15 years in the specific area.
- vi) Knowledge of the Relevant Field**
- He has had knowledge and experience in various capacities as Accountant in Masaku County Council, Town Treasurer in various Councils and also the City Treasurer in the defunct City Council of Nairobi. This wealth of knowledge gave him the required expertise and experience as required by the job. Having worked in the Nairobi City County as the Interim Chief Officer of Finance he was conversant with its procurement and disposal procedures in line with the

Public Procurement and Disposal Act, 2005. He had gained good management skills in his current job. Further he had done a certificate in Strategic Leadership at Kenya Institute of Administration. .

vii) Tax Compliance

- He had fully complied with all his tax obligations. A tax Compliance Certificate confirmed that.

viii) Integrity

He had no integrity issues and provided a police clearance certificate to substantiate this. He also had not been a beneficiary of the Higher Education Loans Board Scheme. In addition, the nominee did attach a copy of a Certificate from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission. Therefore, he had fully complied with the laid down requirements of being appointed to the said position.

3.0 COMMITTEE'S OBSERVATIONS

After conducting the oral interview of the nominee on Tuesday 11th February, 2014 the Committee dedicated the next sitting to scrutiny of the nominee's oral submissions, Curriculum Vitae and Certificates with the goal of establishing his suitability for appointment as the Chief Officer for Finance of the Nairobi City County.

The Committee made the following observations in regard to the general suitability of the nominee to be appointed as Chief Of

At its sitting held on Wednesday 19th February, 2014 the Budget and Appropriations Committee unanimously voted to approve the appointment of the nominee as the Chief Officer for Finance.

The Committee therefore approves the nomination of Mr. Jimmy Mutuku Kiamba to be appointed as the Chief Officer for Finance for Nairobi City County;

5.0 COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Speaker Sir, in conclusion and pursuant to the provisions of Section 45 (1) (b) of the County Government Act 2012 and Standing Order 42 and 191 (5) (f) the County Budget and Appropriation Committee recommends that:

“This County Assembly adopts the Report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on the vetting of Mr. Jimmy Kiamba to be appointed as the Chief Officer for Finance in the Finance and Economic Planning Department in the Nairobi City County.