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— THE REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON WARD  
DEVELOPMENT FUND (WDF) ON THE VETTING OF NOMINEES  
FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY WARDS  
DEVELOPMENT FUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

(The Chairperson, Select Committee on Ward Development Fund)

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ON**

**THE VETTING OF NOMINEES TO THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY WARDS DEVELOPMENT FUND  
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (CMC)**

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City Hall Buildings  
**NAIROBI**

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## **1.1. PREFACE**

### **1.2. Committee Mandate**

**Hon. Speaker,**

The Select Committee on Ward Development Fund is established pursuant to Section 35(5) of the Wards Development Fund Act, 2014 and is mandated, among others, to: -

- a. Consider and recommend to the County Assembly any matter requiring action by the County Assembly pursuant to the provisions of this Act;*
- b. Oversee the implementation of this Act and in this respect, shall after every two years submit a report to the County Assembly and where necessary propose any amendments to this Act, in particular with respect to the Quantum of Funds repayable into the Fund in accordance with section 4 of the Act;*
- c. Oversee the policy framework and legislative matters that may arise in relation to the Fund;*
- d. Continually review the framework set out for the efficient delivery of development programmes financed through the Fund;*
- e. Consider and report to County Assembly with recommendations, names of persons required to be approved by County Assembly under this Act.*

### **1.2 Committee Membership**

**Hon. Speaker,**

The Committee comprises the following Members: -

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|------------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. Hon. Patricia Mutheu, MCA       | Chairperson      |
| 2. Hon. Fredrick Okeyo, MCA        | Vice-Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Chege Mwaura, MCA          |                  |
| 4. Hon. Peter Wahinya Kimuhu, MCA  |                  |
| 5. Hon. Samora Mwaura, MCA         |                  |
| 6. Hon. Silas Matara, MCA          |                  |
| 7. Hon. Anthony Ngaruiya, MCA      |                  |
| 8. Hon. Cecilia Achieng Ayot – MCA |                  |
| 9. Hon. Peter Imwatok – MCA        |                  |
| 10. Hon John Kyalo – MCA           |                  |
| 11. Hon. Kennedy Oyugi, MCA        |                  |

Nairobi City Wards Development Fund Act, 2014 sets out establishment and administration of a Fund. This is in accordance to section 4 (1) of the Act that states; *'There is established a Fund to be known as the Ward Development Fund which shall be administered by the officer administering the Fund under the direction of the County Management Committee'*.

**Hon. Speaker,**

The Fund had over the years faced a number of legal and administrative hurdles. Over a number of instances, the County has grappled to meet the requirements of the said Act with the view to operationalize it in order to achieve full implementation of the projects planned within its financial provisions.

**Hon. Speaker,**

Since 2016, administratively the fund did not perform well because the County Wards Development Fund Management Committee was not fully constituted. Among other members of the said Committee, the four (4) persons as stipulated under the section 5 (2d) were missing.

**Hon. Speaker,**

Section 5 (2d) of the Act provides that the County Management Committee shall consist of;

- *Four persons qualified in matters relating to the finance, accounting, engineering, economics, community development or law, competitively and transparently recruited and appointed by County Executive Member in accordance with subsection (4) taking into account gender balance and the diversity of the County.*

**Hon. Speaker,**

Pursuant to section 5(4) of the Act, the names and curriculum vitae of the persons competitively and transparently nominated as members of the County Management Committee pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection (2) shall be submitted to the County Assembly for approval before appointments are made.

## **2.2. Nomination by the CECM –Finance and Economic Planning**

**Hon. Speaker,**



Section 6(1) of Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 provides that an appointing authority shall upon nominating a person for an appointment to which the Act applies, notify the relevant County Assembly accordingly.

Further, **Hon. Speaker**, Pursuant to section 5(4) of the Wards Development Fund Act, 2014 the County Executive Committee Member responsible for Finance and Economic Planning vide a letter ref **NCC/WDF/VOL.1/101/2021/JMK** dated 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2021, forwarded to the Clerk of the Nairobi City County Assembly, the names of the following nominees for vetting by the Select Committee on Ward Development Fund and consideration for approval by the County Assembly for appointment as Members of the County Wards Development Fund Management Committee as follows:-

S/NO	NAME OF NOMINEE	ID NO
1.	Mr. Wilfred Karani	29870592
2.	Mr. Nuh Muhamed Ibrahim	22250245
3.	Ms. Beatrice Karwitha Kiragu	22179739
4.	Mr. Evans Sindiga Ogwaka	112043316

### 2.3. Public participation

**Hon. Speaker,**

Section 7(5) and (10) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 provides that- *“the committee shall, by notice in at least one newspaper of national circulation, notify the public of the time and place for holding an approval hearing at least seven days prior to the hearing”* and *“any person may, prior to the approval hearing and by a written statement on oath, provide the Clerk with evidence contesting the suitability of a candidate to hold the office to which the candidate has been nominated”*.

**Hon. Speaker,**

Pursuant to the above provisions of the law, the Clerk of the County Assembly placed an advertisement in the local dailies on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021 specifically the Standard

Newspaper and the Star inviting the nominees for vetting before the Assembly Select Committee on Appointments on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 at 9.00am at the Assembly Precincts.

**Hon. Speaker,**

In accordance with the provisions of Article 196 of the Constitution and section 7(5) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021 the general public was also notified in the local dailies by the Clerk of the County Assembly of the intention of the Select Committee to conduct the vetting and approval hearing of the nominees on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. The nominees were vetted by the Committee on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 at 9.00am at the Assembly Plenary Chamber.

**Hon. Speaker,**

Subsequently, in the advert the members of the public were requested to submit memoranda by way of written statements on oath (sworn affidavits) on the suitability or otherwise of the nominees in conformity with Section 7(10) of the Act.

#### **2.4. Clearance requirements**

**Hon. Speaker,**

To ensure compliance with the provisions of Chapter 6 of the Constitution, the nominees were required to submit their clearance status with the following institutions for the vetting exercise –

- a) Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA)
- b) Criminal Investigation Department (CID)
- c) Higher Education Loans Board (HELB)
- d) Credit Reference Bureau (CRB) and
- e) The Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC)

The clearance by the foregoing institutions was primarily meant to provide information about the nominees on: -

- a) Matters touching on integrity;
- b) Tax compliance;
- c) Loan repayments; and





d) Presence or absence of criminal records.

## 2.5. Committee Meetings

**Hon. Speaker,**

The nominees appeared before the Committee on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 and were vetted in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, and the County Assembly Standing Orders on their suitability for appointment to the CPSB. In total, the Committee held three sittings in consideration of this matter.

## 2.6. Findings

**Hon. Speaker,**

The Committee observed the following; -

That; -

- i. The four nominees satisfied the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya on leadership and integrity which is a requirement under section 35(3)(c) of the County Governments Act, 2012;
- ii. The nominees meet the requirements of the provisions of Section 35(2) of the County Governments Act, 2012; -
- iii. The nominees satisfactorily met requisite academic and professional qualifications;
- iv. The Committee is aware of the provisions of section 5(3) of the Nairobi City County Ward Development Fund Act, 2014 in that; -

***The Member of the County Executive Committee shall appoint the chairperson of the County Management Committee from the amongst the four persons appointed in accordance with paragraph (d) of subsection (2).***

## 2.7. Acknowledgement

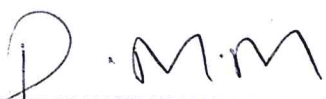
**Hon. Speaker,**

May I take this opportunity to thank Members of the Committee for their input and valuable contributions during the deliberations and vetting exercise.

The Committee also takes this opportunity to thank the Offices of the Speaker and of the Clerk of the County Assembly for the logistical support accorded to it during the vetting exercise. The Committee is grateful to the staff of the County Assembly attached to the Committee for their services rendered to the Committee.

Finally, on behalf of the Select Committee on Ward Development Fund, it is my pleasure and duty to present to the Assembly the Committee's Report on the vetting of four (4) nominees for appointment to the Nairobi County Wards Development Fund Management Committee (CWDFMC) for adoption pursuant to the Standing Orders of the County Assembly and other enabling provisions of the Law.

**Thank you.**

Signed .....

**Hon. Patricia Mutheu, MCA**

**(Chairperson, Select Committee on Ward Development Fund)**

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of MAY.....2021

### **3.0. VETTING OF COUNTY WARDS DEVELOPMENT FUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE NOMINEES**

In conducting the vetting process, the Select Committee on Ward Development Fund examined the nominees against the following criteria, amongst others, as set out in the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act No. 5 of 2017–

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

During its Sitting held on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 at Assembly Chamber, County Assembly Precincts, City Hall Buildings from 9:00 am, the Committee conducted face to face interviews of the nominees. Minutes of the vetting proceedings are attached to this report.

### **3.1. APPEARANCE BEFORE THE COMMITTEE BY MR. WILFRED KARANI MAINA – NOMINEE FOR MEMBER OF THE COUNTY WARDS DEVELOPMENT FUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The nominee for Member of the County Wards Development Fund Management Committee, Mr. Wilfred Karani Maina, appeared before the Committee on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 at 9.00 am and was informed by the Chairperson that in line with the provisions of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act No. 5 of 2017, the Committee had invited submissions from the Public on his suitability or otherwise for appointment to Public office, and none had been received by close of business on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2021.

While under oath, he proceeded to inform the Committee as follows: -

**A. With respect to self-introduction, knowledge, experience and qualification, the nominee informed the Committee that he was born in 1993 and: -**

a) He is a team player having worked in a respected organization where he could use his



education, experience and skills to assist any organization attain its objectives and find an opportunity for advancement;

- b) On professional qualification, he informed the committee that he had passed well with accreditation CPA Part 2 (section 3&4)
- c) He holds a Bachelor of Commerce (Finance Option) second class Honors, upper division from KCA University.

**B. In response to his employment history and its relevance to the position, the nominee stated as follows: -**

- a) He worked in the Nairobi City County as Finance and Accounts Intern where he was tasked in the maintenance of vote books, preparation and presenting quarterly reports and preparation of financial statements among other duties.
- b) He also worked as Accounts Assistant at Kimotho Associate and Company for a year where he was tasked with calculation of rental income, verifying assets and liabilities and preparation of general ledgers and financial statements among others
- c) He worked as a finance assistant at Willymark Link Enterprises for two years where he undertook preparation of financial statements and reports, creation of cost analysis reports for other departments and review of financial policies within the Company.

**C. Regarding his understanding for the position, he applied for, he responded as follows:**

- a) That he is conversant with the Ward Fund Act and he has ever worked as an intern during the first government;
- b) However, when members asked him how many times the Act was amended and the rationale behind it, the nominee did not answer appropriately.

**D. With regards to what motivated him to apply for the position and the relevant experience he will bring, the nominee stated that: -**

- a) The nominee is passionate about the County Management Committee, having served in the public service.;
- b) In terms of professional experience, he knows the general administration of the County Affairs. He has also worked with private companies where he dealt with financial management.

E. On functions of the County Wards Development Fund Management Committee, the nominee informed the Committee that the CMC has powers to: -

- a) Manage the fund;
- b) Oversee the Fund's Projects;
- c) Prepare regular reports for submission to the County Assembly on the execution of the functions of the Committee;

F. Regarding what he considers as the main challenges and to address the challenges: -

- a) Streamlining the workforce in line with competence
- b) Ensuring teamwork and cohesion among the staff.
- c) Demoralized workforce is also a challenge

G. On whether he renders any community service and if yes where: -

- He has been a volunteer at Community Based organization (CBO)

H. On what Nairobi residents can expect from him if approved: -

- Best service delivery by the public service

**3.2. APPEARANCE BEFORE THE COMMITTEE BY MR. NUH MOHAMED IBRAHIM – NOMINEE FOR MEMBER OF THE COUNTY WARDS DEVELOPMENT FUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The nominee for Member of the County Wards Development Fund Management Committee, Mr. Nuh Mohamed Ibrahim, appeared before the Committee on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 at 9.00 am and was informed by the Chairperson that in line with the provisions of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act No. 5 of 2017, the Committee had invited submissions from the Public on her suitability or otherwise for appointment to Public office, and none had been received by close of business on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2021.

While under oath, He proceeded to inform the Committee as follows: -

A. With respect to self-introduction, knowledge, experience and qualification, the nominee informed the Committee that he was born in 1979 and: -

- a) He is a holder B.A. in Economics from the University of Nairobi and is due to graduate M.A (Public Policy and Administration at Kenyatta University);
- b) He had worked in several organizations in public, private and non-governmental



organization, in various capacities namely as;

- ✦ *Risk and Compliance Manager in IEBC for Eight (8) Years; he was the head of Risk Management at the IEBC during the elections and it received a lot of funding from the Government. He said that he was able to oversee the prudent expenditure of the funds disbursement to the various sectors.*
- ✦ *senior Compliance Officer in Isiolo Defunct County Council for Two Years*
- ✦ *Inspector and Coordinator at Nairobi Branch in NHIF for four (4) Years;*
- ✦ *Corporate Planning Officer in NHIF for three Years;*
- ✦ *a Graduate Trainee at Commercial Bank of Africa for three years*
- ✦ *Operations Officer at Commercial Bank of Africa for three years*
- ✦ *a courier officer at Kenya Airways for one Year*

Further, he explained to the Committee how he was well proficient with the public sector operations in terms of funds management, PFM Act, Public procurement act and the regulations developed and that he was aware of the general operation of the Government, which is crucial in operating the Ward Fund.

He explained to the Committee that the position fits well with his qualifications, skills and experiences, since the County Management Committee is primarily mandated to supervising, executing and administering Fund's Projects.

**B. Regarding whether he is conversant to the Act, his understanding for the position he applied for and specifically the function of the County Management Committee, he responded as follows: -**

- a) He explicitly explained the legal underpinning of the Fund by not only highlighting the provisions of the Nairobi City County Ward Development Act, 2014 setting out the legal and administration of the Fund but also the constitutional provisions within which the Fund was premised;
- b) He pointed out the composition of the CMC pursuant to section 5(2) and rationale of having four members of the public section 5(2d)
- c) Without any hesitation he briefly but concisely stated that the functions of the CMC pursuant to section 7 as the following;
  - Ensure allocation and disbursement of funds in each ward

- Ensure timely submissions to County Assembly of various returns, reports and information
- Consider project proposals submitted from wards and make appropriate recommendations
- Ensure prudent management of the Fund

**C. Regarding the rationale behind the amendments of the Nairobi City County Ward Development Act, 2014, the nominee stated that: -**

Some of the provisions contained in the principal Act would not help achieve in the full implementation of the Projects and that they did not conform to principles of separation of powers. For instance, the clerk of the County Assembly representing the MCAs was removed from the Committee. The Principal Act provided that MCAs as personal members at the ward level. It was seen to negate the principle of separation of powers between the arms of Government. An advisory was made so that the section could be repealed and MCAs remain to as patrons and influence the composition of the Ward Management Committee

**D. On what motivated him to apply for the position and the relevant experience he will bring, the nominee stated that: -**

- a) The desire to serve the members of the public especially in planning and executing the key priority capital projects arrived at through public participation among others motivated him to apply this position. He stated that he wields considerable zeal and that he is the most suitable candidate for this job
- b) He is confident that his work experience records speak for themselves; for example, he informed the members that his previous experience as mentioned below have not only built him over the years as a person but also professionally; -

- ↓ Risk and Compliance Manager at IEBC for Eight (8) Years,
- ↓ senior Compliance Officer in Isiolo Defunct County Council for Two Years,
- ↓ an Inspector and Coordinator at Nairobi Branch in NHIF for four (4) Years
- ↓ Corporate Planning Officer in NHIF for three Years

He previously worked in political environment coupled with acute red tapes

**E. In regard to attributes or skills that he had been praised for in your previous engagements? He responded as follows; that**



- a) He possesses leadership skills through leadership positions held in the past. He explained to members that he is a team player.
- b) He had interacted with people of different backgrounds
- c) He listens to the views of various stakeholders
- d) He is a doer. he works under minimal supervision

**F. The nominee was requested to share a story with the Committee if there was a time when his colleague got him angry and what transpired between them to which he responded as follows; - that**

It was during the elections, when they went for days without having time for sleep and the officers got agitated. He reported that he managed to maintain his temper despite all the pressure.

**G. In relation to the IEBC, the nominee was requested to give a story on one of the toughest decisions that he made, to which responded as follows; that**

During the 2013 election process, the Commission Chair appointed him to take charge of the tallying process of the presidential elections. He was to take over the role of his boss and the Country was waiting for the results as the systems had failed but finally, they were able to deliver.

**H. The Nominee was asked to explain why he chose the position having worked at high profile careers, to which responded as follows; that**

He resigned from a lucrative job at the IEBC because of my desire to serve the people and humanity. Also, so that I can touch people's hearts.

**I. In relation to his company, the Committee sought to know the name of the Company, Which government agencies had in the past company worked for, to which the nominee responded as follows: - that**

His firm is known as Elborte investments Limited and worked with following public agencies particularly on matters construction

- ✚ Kenya rural roads Authority
- ✚ The Kenya National Highways Authority
- ✚ Kiambu County
- ✚ Isiolo County



± Kakamega County

- J. Concerning whether he had litigation issues, if he was the sole Director for the Company, he owns and whether he would foresee any interference having worked in the industry, to which the nominee responded as follows: - that**

He never had any litigation or any criminal record. His spouse is his partner and that there would be no any interference whatsoever and he assured the Committee that the company that he owns will not seek tenders from the Fund

- K. The Committee inquired on how would political engagement or interference play in the dispensation of the duties in the fund to which the nominee responded as follows; - that**

The Fund operates in a political environment and its first clients are politicians. Therefore, conflict is expected because of delay in execution of the Act but the County Wards Development Management Committee must learn to manage such delicate balance.

- L. The Nominee was asked whether he would bow down to political pressure to which he responded he would not bow down and that he would work and relate with work together with the politicians within the confines of the law**

- M. The nominee when about his life's philosophies responded that; -**

- a) He stands for making an impact in the lives of the people I live with
- b) He has a lot of passion
- c) He believes in sharing of resources

- N. The Nominee described himself as an honest person with integrity when he was asked about personal guiding principles**

- O. On what Nairobi residents can expect from he if approved: -The nominee informed the Committee that he will uphold high standards of-**

- a) professionalism;
- b) accountability;
- c) integrity;
- d) commitment; and

- e) ensure that the public service upholds the all the values and principles as articulated in the constitution.

**3.3. APPEARANCE BEFORE THE COMMITTEE BY MS. BEATRICE KIRAGU – NOMINEE FOR MEMBER OF THE COUNTY WARDS DEVELOPMENT FUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The nominee for Member of the County Wards Development Fund Management Committee, Ms. Beatrice Kiragu, appeared before the Committee on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 at 1.00 pm and was informed by the Chairperson that in line with the provisions of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act No. 5 of 2017, the Committee had invited submissions from the Public on her suitability or otherwise for appointment to Public office, and none had been received by close of business on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2021.

While under oath, she proceeded to inform the Committee as follows: -

- A. With respect to self-introduction, knowledge, experience and qualification, the nominee informed the Committee that she was born in 1981 and: -**
- a) She is a holder of Bachelor of Arts in Education from University;
  - b) She has completed level 4,5&6 in the Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply;
- B. In response to what inspired her to apply the position, the nominee stated as follows:**
- a) Her degree which was B.A. (Education, Mathematics and Economics) inspired her to apply for the position
  - b) The position involves basically management and oversight of the Ward Development Projects
  - c) Service to the people of Nairobi has driven to develop interest to the position under question
- C. In regard to how she came to know about the job advert, members inquired whether she saw an advert or someone referred her to, the nominee responded as follows: -**
- a) She saw the advert, applied for the position and was thus invited for an interview; and
  - b) She then saw on the daily newspaper that she had been considered and invited for the vetting.

**D. Regarding where she normally resides, voting station, her area MCA and perhaps some of the projects the Area MCA has undertaken, she responded as follows: -**

- a) She normally resides in Meru County
- b) Last General election in the 2017 she voted at Katheruni Primary School, in Meru County
- c) Her area MCA is Hon. Deputy Speaker, Meru County Assembly Hon. Elias Murenga.
- d) Her area MCA dug borehole and have some roads tarmacked

**E. Regarding how she will use her academic background to ensure the fund's Projects do not stall, the nominee informed the Committee that;**

- a) One of the challenges facing implementation of the Fund being the tender process she would ensure that tender process would not take long especially in planning, particularly if the budgeting is done timely; and
- b) She would ensure that the people who are working in the procurement departments have the key performance indicators.

**F. On whether she knew anyone influential in Nairobi County who may have assisted her with respect to the position in question or whether she was related to Governor Kananu, the nominee responded as follows;**

- a) She used to be the Chairperson for Kenya Women Agenda a program which is aimed to address topical issues on women and their roles in politics and how sometime the aftermath of the election affect women.
- b) She found it important to start an organization aimed at promoting unity among women in a bid to discuss and improve conditions surrounding women formally or informally. Some of the ways could be through social media platforms such as WhatsApp where she gets informed on what is happening in around the country particularly matters touching on women
- c) She testified that through such interactions, she was fortunate enough to interact with some female politicians. However, she clarified to the Committee that she has never known Governor Kananu at personal level.

**G. Regarding the functions of the County Wards Development Fund Management Committee: -**

- a) Oversight, representation and liaison to the County Assembly to ensure projects are properly executed and implemented



- b) Day to day execution of the projects
- c) Review of the policies relating to the Fund

**H. Regarding how she will handle the pressure from family and friends who will be seeking services and favor: -**

The nominee informed the Committee that she will avoid self-interest and biasness and ensure she executes her duties on merit.

**I. Regarding what demonstrate her commitment to the requirement of Chapter six of the Constitution, the nominee responded as follows:**

- She used to work within the provisions of the Chapter 6 of the Constitution

**J. On what Nairobi residents can expect from her if approved: -**

The nominee stated that her primary duty-

- a) To give back to society in terms of serving them.
- b) To transform people's lives

**3.4. APPEARANCE BEFORE THE COMMITTEE BY MR. EVANS SINDIGA OGWOKA – NOMINEE FOR MEMBER OF THE COUNTY WARDS DEVELOPMENT FUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The nominee for Member of the County Wards Development Fund Management Committee, Mr. Evans Sindiga Ogwoka, appeared before the Committee on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 at 2.00 pm and was informed by the Chairperson that in line with the provisions of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act No. 5 of 2017, the Committee had invited submissions from the Public on her suitability or otherwise for appointment to Public office, and none had been received by close of business on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2021.

While under oath, He proceeded to inform the Committee as follows: -

**A. With respect to self-introduction, knowledge, experience and qualification, the nominee informed the Committee that she was born in 1970 and: -**

He holds a Bachelor of Science from Kenyatta University;

**B. In response to her employment history and its relevance to the position, the nominee stated as follows: -**

- a) He first worked in St Mary's Mission Hospital in Lang'ata where he served as clinical assistant from the year 2000 to 2006.
- b) He then moved DLA Scientific, where he worked as marketing and sales representative from the year 2007 to 2013.
- c) Later, he moved to Pulse Healthcare as Marketing Executive from the year 2013 to last year.

**C. On what motivated her to apply for the position and the relevant experience she will bring, the nominee stated that: -**

- a) He is suitably qualified for the position of the member of the Ward Management Fund Committee. Firstly, having served as a clinical assistant for six years, he came into experience with the effect poverty can have on the quality of life.
- b) He explained that he came to realize that some of the cases that present in the hospital were not necessarily medical in nature but actually as a result of material circumstances of the people who present themselves there.
- c) In addition, having served as a clinical assistant, he reported that he developed experience in solving problems of people who he was put in charge of.
- d) He believes such experience is relevant to the Committee because when issues will be presented, he would use the skills that he obtained in management of human resources and communication skills to relate to them.
- e) As a marketer, he learned interpersonal skills.

**D. On duties and functions of the County Wards Development Fund Management Committee, the nominee informed the Management Committee was mandated to perform the duties and functions as follows: -**

- a) Allocation and disbursement of funds to the wards;
- b) Ensure prudent management of the funds;
- c) Prepare reports on the utilization of the funds at the ward level;
- d) Timely presentation of the report to the County Assembly Sub Committee on Ward Development Fund;

- e) Assessing proposals from the ward level;
- f) Taking decisions based on the meritocracy of the proposals that are made; and
- g) Other functions that may be assigned to it by the Sub Committee on Ward Development Fund.

**E. In response to whether the nominee is conversant with the Building Bridges Initiative (BBI), and its content Vis-à-vis the Ward Development Fund to which the nominee seemed to know very little and thus did not responded succinctly.**

**F. in regard to how he will handle pressure from contractors, the nominee responded as follows; -**

Section 47 of the Act specifically addresses issues of conflicts and complaints and provides guidance, for instance, offering inducements is an issue of conflict of interest.

**G. In regard to whether the nominee is well conversant with Nairobi City County Ward Development Fund Act, how many times the Act was amended he responded as: -**

- a) The nominee explained If approved he would have a new learning experience.
- b) He will try as much as possible to gain knowledge and better understanding of the fund. He has already taken the initial step of trying to acquaint himself with the fund as much as possible.
- c) He has gone through the Act a few times and he would continue to work hard and understand the Fund even better, and if possible, acquaint himself with the provisions regarding the Nairobi City County Ward Development Fund Act, 2014.

**H. on whether he is currently employed elsewhere and whether he would resign in the event of a better well-paying job to which he responded as follows; -**

- a) He has passion for community development.
- b) He sees this position as a new opportunity to improve himself and be able to offer services to people.
- c) He then says that he gives an assurance that he will not resign before the term of contract expires



#### **4.0. COMMITTEE'S GENERAL OBSERVATIONS AND FINDINGS**

The Committee having considered the nominees Curriculum Vitae and heard their oral submissions during the vetting exercise, made the following observations and findings.

##### **4.1. General Observations:**

The Committee having considered the nominees' filled Questionnaires pursuant to the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, their Curriculum Vitae and having heard their oral submissions during the vetting exercise made the following general observations:

##### **THAT: -**

1. The four nominees satisfied the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya on leadership and integrity which is a requirement under section 35(3)(c) of the County Governments Act, 2012 in that: -
  - a) The nominees have been cleared by the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI), Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) and the Credit Reference Bureau (CRB).
  - b) The nominees have not been charged in a Court of Law.
  - c) The nominees do not exhibit a potential conflict of interest.
2. The nominees meet the requirements of the provisions of Section 35(2) of the County Governments Act, 2012 in that: -
  - a) There is representation of the minorities, marginalized groups and communities within Nairobi City County; and
  - b) Upholds the community and cultural diversity within Nairobi City County.
3. The nominees satisfactorily met requisite academic and professional qualifications.

## 5.0. COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Pursuant to Section 45 (1) (a) and (b) of the County Governments Act, 2012, Section 9 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, and Standing Order No. 203 (6) (f) of the Nairobi City County Assembly Standing Orders, the Committee recommends: -

**THAT**, this Assembly approves the following Four Nominees for appointment by the **County Executive Committee Member** responsible for Finance and Economic Planning as Members of the Nairobi City County Wards Development Fund Management Committee as follows: -

S/NO	NAME OF NOMINEE	POSITION
1.	Mr. Nuh Muhamed Ibrahim	Member
2.	Mr. Wilfred Karani	Member
3.	Ms. Beatrice Karwitha Kiragu	Member
4.	Mr. Evans Sindiga Ogwaka	Member