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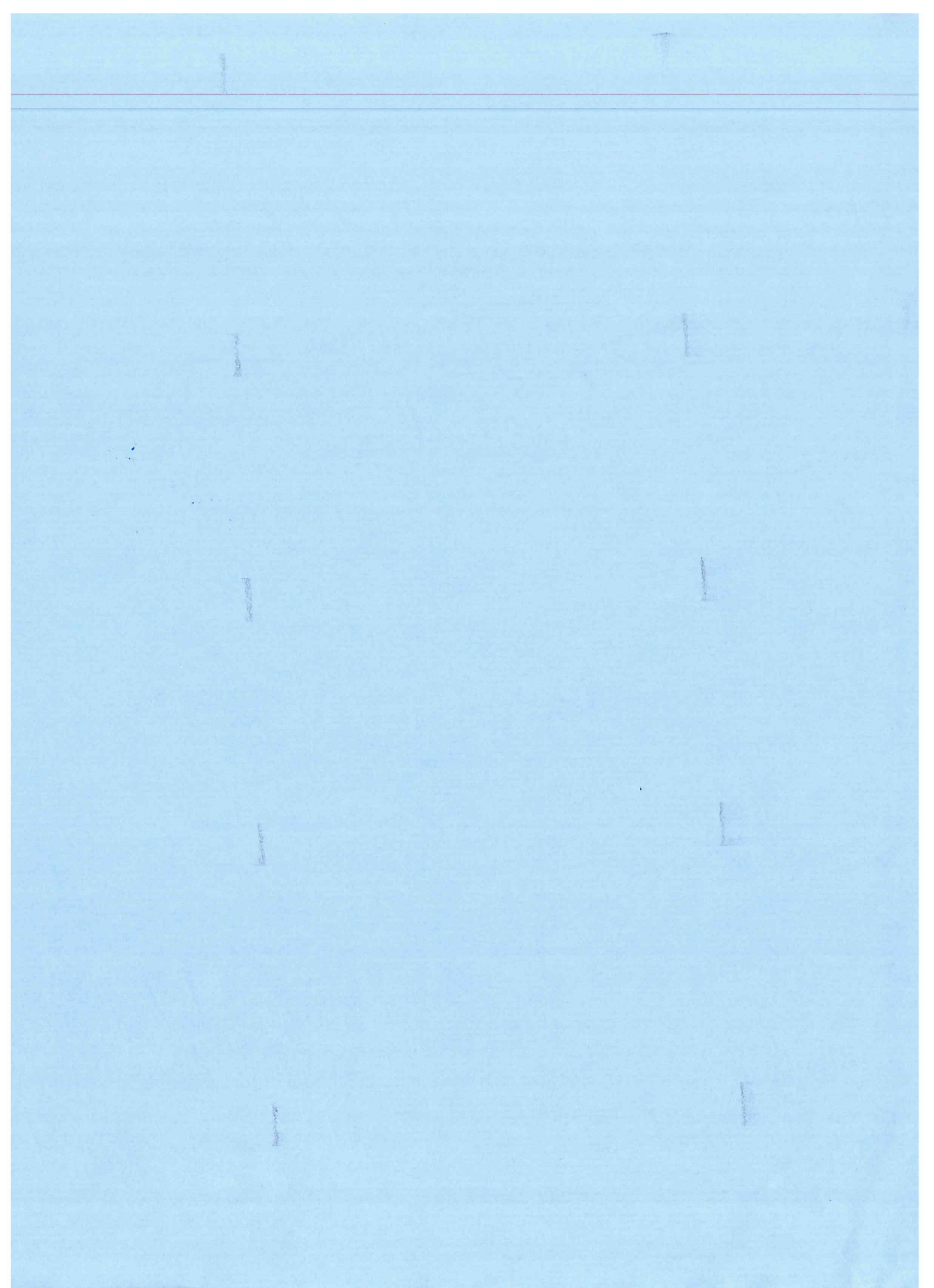
Pursuant to Section 9 of Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017; and Standing Orders 48(4), I beg to lay of the following Paper on the Table of this Assembly, today Tuesday 21st May 2024:

— THE REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON COUNTY FINANCE, BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS ON VETTING OF CHIEF OFFICER NOMINEE FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS.

(Chairperson, Select Committee on County Finance, Budget and Appropriations)

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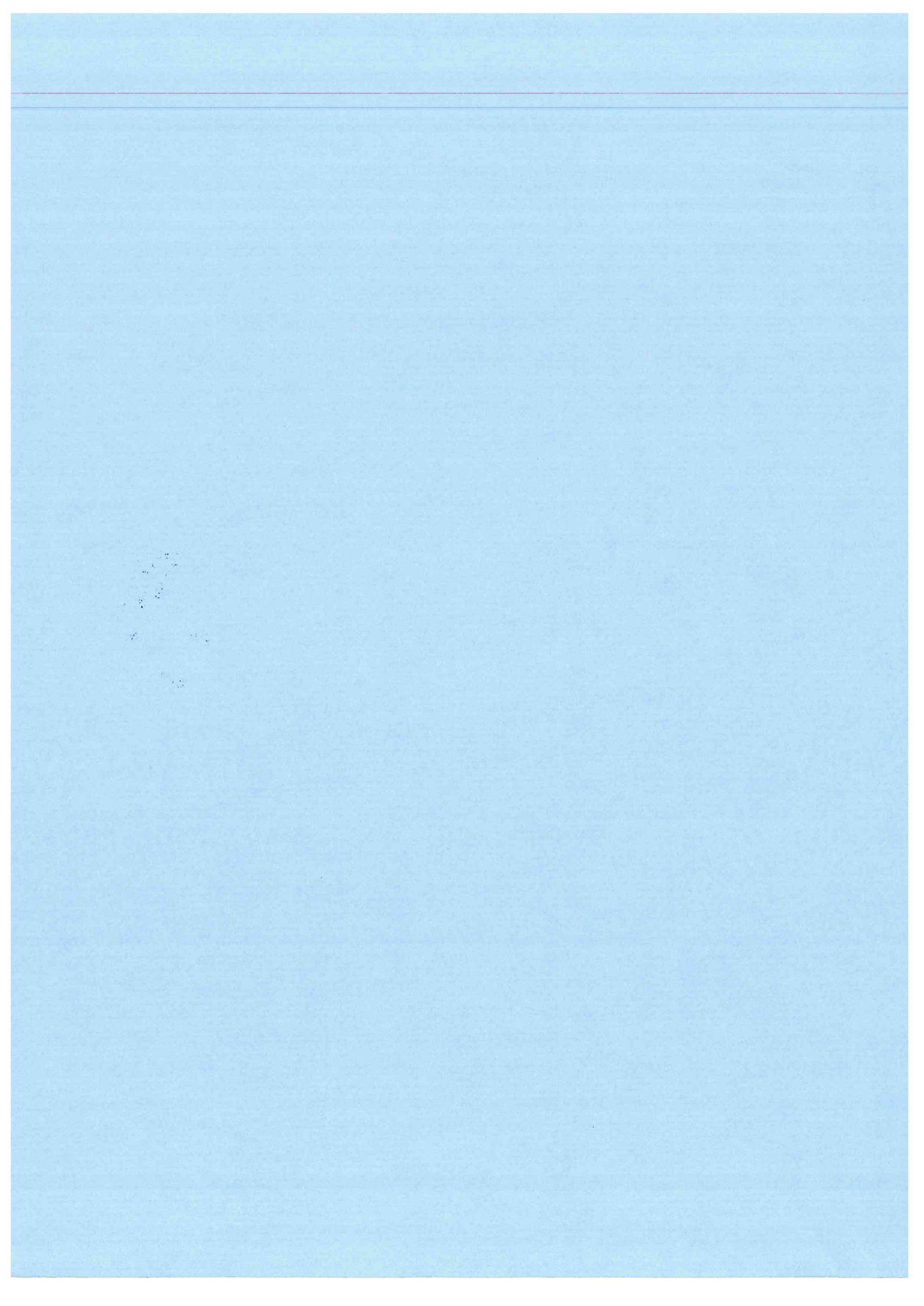
Subject: Adoption of report of a Committee

Hon. Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following motion:-

THAT, taking into consideration the findings of the Select Committee on County Finance, Budget and Appropriations in its Report on the *Vetting of Nominee for Approval as Chief Officer*, laid on the Table of the Assembly on Tuesday, 21st May, 2024 and pursuant to the provisions of Section 45 (1)(b) of the County Governments Act, 2012; Sections 3 and 9 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017; and Standing Order 48 (4), this Assembly **approves** the appointment of Machel Waikenda as Chief Officer for Economic Affairs.

(Chairperson, Select Committee on County Finance, Budget and Appropriations)

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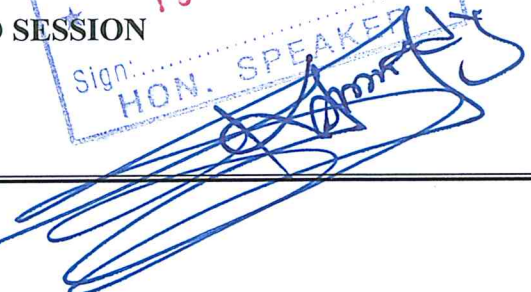
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Sign:.....
HON. SPEAKER



COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS

**18TH REPORT ON THE VETTING OF NOMINEE FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE OFFICE
OF THE COUNTY CHIEF OFFICER RESPONSIBLE FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS**

Clerk's Chambers
City Hall Buildings
NAIROBI

MAY, 2024

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- 1) Dr. Machel Thogo Karanja Waikenda

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

CCO	-	County Chief Officer
PFM	-	Public Finance Management
CECM	-	County Executive Committee Member

FORWARD

Pursuant to Section 45 of the County Governments Act, 2012, **H.E. the Governor, Hon. Sakaja Arthur Johnson** nominated **Dr. Machel Thogo Karanja Waikenda** for appointment as **County Chief Officer for Economic Affairs**.

The nomination of the above-mentioned person was conveyed to the Assembly vide a letter dated **15th April, 2024**. On **Wednesday 17th April, 2024** and pursuant to Standing Order 45(1), the Honorable Speaker read the message from His Excellency the Governor to the Assembly communicating the name of the nominee. Pursuant to Section 9(1) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 the name of the nominee was referred to the Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations for vetting and reporting to the Assembly within twenty-one (21) days.

In the fulfilment of the provisions of Section 7 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Clerk notified the general public that the approval hearings of the nominee would be held on **Monday 6th May, 2024**.

The nominee appeared before the Committee as scheduled pursuant to the provisions of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee observed that **the nominee met the integrity threshold, demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative, and technical issues touching on the Sector to which he had been nominated; and had the requisite abilities, academic qualifications and professional experience to be approved for appointment.**

Having conducted the approval hearing of the nominee pursuant to Section 45 of the County Government Act, 2012, Section 9 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 the Committee recommends that the House-

- 1. approves the nomination of Dr. Machel Thogo Karanja Waikenda for appointment as County Chief Officer for Economic Affairs by His Excellency the Governor.**

May I take this opportunity to thank fellow Hon. Members of the Committee for their valuable contributions during the approval hearings and during the compiling of the report. 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 this important exercise. The Committee is grateful to the Assembly Budget Office and the Secretariat for their services rendered to the Committee.

On behalf of the Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations, it is my pleasure and honor to present to the Assembly, the Committee's report on the vetting of the nominee for appointment to the position of County Chief Officer for adoption pursuant to enabling provisions of the Law.



HON. WILFRED OLUOCH ODALO, MCA

CHAIRPERSON: SELECT COMMITTEE ON COUNTY FINANCE, BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS

PREFACE

Establishment and Mandate of the Committee

1. Section 14 (3) of the County Governments Act, 2012 provides that when a County Assembly considers any appointment for which its approval is required under the Constitution, an Act of Parliament or County legislation, the appointment shall be considered first by a committee of the County Assembly.
2. The Select Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations is established under Standing Order No. 205 to among others, “*Investigate, inquire into and report on all matters related to coordination, control and monitoring of the County budget*”.

Committee Membership

3. The Committee was constituted by the Assembly on **27th October, 2022** comprising of the following Members: -

1. Hon. Wilfred Oluoch Odalo, MCA – Chairperson
2. Hon. Emily Oduor, MCA – Vice Chairperson
3. Hon Anthony Kiragu, MCA
4. Hon. Moses Ogeto, MCA
5. Hon Mark Mugambi, MCA
6. Hon. Jeckoniah Onyango, MCA
7. Hon. Catherine Apiyo Okoth, MCA
8. Hon. Jane Muasya, MCA
9. Hon. Asli Muhamed, MCA
10. Hon. Rosemary Masitsa, MCA
11. Hon. Perpetua Mponjiwa, MCA
12. Hon. Collins Ogenga, MCA
13. Hon. Fathiya Abdillahi Mohamed, MCA
14. Hon Joyce Kamau Muthoni, MCA
15. Hon Waithera Chege, MCA
16. Hon Susan Makungu, MCA
17. Hon. Sam Kago, MCA
18. Hon. Anthony Ngaruiya Jasho, MCA

19. Hon Paul Ndungu, MCA
 20. Hon Ciciliah Wairimu Njathi, MCA
 21. Hon Waruguru Kanyi, MCA
 22. Hon. Jane Wanjiru, MCA
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Committee Secretariat

4. The Secretariat comprises: -

1. Erick Otieno - Principal Fiscal Analyst
2. Wilfred Manyi - Senior Clerk Assistant
3. Alphonse Ouma - Senior Fiscal Analyst
4. Farah Gabow - Fiscal Analyst
5. Anthony Otsyula - Fiscal Analyst
6. John Kirai - Fiscal Analyst
7. Peter Opuch - Fiscal Analyst
8. Jonathan Koinari - Fiscal Analyst
9. John Moiyare - Senior Sergeant-at-Arms
10. Elizabeth Njuguna - Sergeant-at-Arms

BACKGROUND

Notification of Nomination

5. Pursuant to Section 45 of the County Governments Act, 2012, **H.E. the Governor, Hon. Sakaja Arthur Johnson** vide a letter dated 15th April, 2024 forwarded to the Nairobi City County Assembly the name of the Dr. Machel Thogo Karanja Waikenda for vetting by the Select Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations and consideration for approval by the County Assembly for appointment as County Chief Officer responsible Economic Affairs

Notification to the House and referral to the Committee on Appointments.

6. On **Wednesday 17th April, 2024** and pursuant to Standing Order 45(1), the Honorable Speaker read the message from His Excellency the Governor communicating the name of the nominee to the Assembly for the position of County Chief Officer for Economic Affairs.
7. Pursuant to Section 9(1) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 the name of the nominee was referred to the Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations for vetting and reporting to the Assembly within twenty-one (21) days.

1.1. Notification to the Public

8. Article 196(b) of the Constitution of Kenya provides that the County Assembly shall facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative and other business of the Assembly and its Committees.
9. Section 7 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 requires the Committee 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.
10. Further Section 7(10) of the Act provides that “*any person may, prior to the approval hearing, and by 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*”.
11. Consequently, pursuant to Section 7(4) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Clerk of the County Assembly placed an advertisement in the local dailies, specifically the Nation Newspaper on **Tuesday 23rd April, 2024** notifying the nominee and the general public that the approval hearing/vetting would be held on **Monday 6th May, 2024**.

1.2. Issues for consideration during the Approval Hearing

Procedure for Nomination.

12. Section 45 of the County Government Act, 2012 confers upon H.E the Governor the power to appoint County Chief Officers with the approval of the County Assembly.
13. Section 6 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 further requires the appointing authority, upon nominating a person for appointment, to notify the County Assembly.
14. In this regard, pursuant to Section 45 of the County Government Act, 2012 and Section 6 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, H.E the Governor of Nairobi City, Johnson Arthur Sakaja notified the County Assembly of the nomination of Dr. Machel Thogo Karanja Waikenda

Constitutional and Statutory Requirements

15. The Constitution gives guidelines on how to appoint persons to public office which include observing the following: -
 - (a) *Two-Thirds Gender Rule*
 - (b) *Representation of Regional and Ethnic Balance*
 - (c) *Leadership and Integrity.*

1.2.1. Suitability of the Nominee for the proposed appointment having regard to whether the nominee's abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the Sector to which the nomination is made.

16. The suitability of the nominee was assessed following scrutiny of the nominee's academic credentials, professional training and experience, personal integrity, knowledge of the docket the nomination is made, background qualities as well as his performance during the approval hearing conducted on **Monday 6th May, 2024.**

APPROVAL HEARING/VETTING OF THE NOMINEE.

17. During its sitting held on **Monday 6th May, 2024** at Committee Room Four (4), Assembly Precincts, City Hall Building from 10:00am, the Committee conducted face to face interview with the nominee. The minutes of the vetting proceedings are attached to this report.

DR. MACHEL THOGO KARANJA WAIKENDA

Submissions by the Nominee.

18. **Dr. Machel Thogo Karanja Waikenda**, the nominee for the position of Chief Officer for **Economic Affairs** appeared before the Committee on **Monday 6th May, 2024** and was vetted under oath. The Committee noted the following: -

Date and Place of Birth

19. The nominee is a Male Kenyan born on 23rd April, 1981 in Parklands, Nairobi County and does not hold dual citizenship.

Academic and Professional Qualifications

The nominee holds a Doctorate Degree of Business Administration from United States International University (2015-2019), Master of Business Administration from University of Phoenix (2009-2011), Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from University of Florida (2002 – 2005), Bachelor of Laws (LLB) from University of Nairobi (2018 – 2022) and Diploma in Arts from Santa FE College (2000 – 2002). Though he clarified this was a two year program degree.

20. Employment Record

The nominee has served as County Executive Committee Member for Youth, Sports & Communications (2014-2017) in Kiambu County Government, a Director of Political and Intergovernmental Affairs at the State House of Kenya (2019-2022) and Director of Communications (Executive Director) at The National Alliance (2012-2014).

The nominee has also served as First Officer Pilot for Boeing 737 and a Chief Executive Officer and Co-founder of Blackstar Entertainment (2010-2016). He is currently the Chief Executive Officer/Accountable Manager/Pilot of Flexi Aviation (2022- present)

Income and net worth

21. The nominee estimated his net worth to be **Kshs. 210 million** with the sources of income being from Flexi Aviation Charters Ltd, Stardust Capital Ltd and Enkata Watches Ltd.
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Professional Associations and Memberships

22. The nominee is a Member of Order of the Engineer (2006 to present) and a Member of Doctorate Association of Eastern Africa.

Potential Conflict of Interest

23. The nominee declared that he currently does not have any conflict of interest to the position to be filled and if encountered in the future the procedure is to declare the interest, follow all laws and ensure integrity by excusing oneself from the task

Probono/Charity Work

24. The nominee is involved in donations to Ruiru Childrens Home where he has contributed Kshs. 200,000.

Integrity

25. The nominee declared that he has not been charged in a court of law and have not been adversely mentioned in any investigatory report of Parliament or any other Commission of Inquiry. He has also never been dismissed or otherwise removed from office for contravention of the provisions of Article 75 of the Constitution.

Responses to general and sector specific questions

26. The Committee posed several questions to the nominee on his knowledge of the Economic Affairs. The nominee responded as follows: -

On brief on the nominee educational qualifications and how that relates to the function of the Economic Planning Department

27. The nominee informed the Committee that he has a Master of Business Administration and Doctorate degree where he has specialized in Finance. He also clarified that he obtained Associate of Arts Degree from Santa Fe College which is a Community College where he studied for two years to get credits that was transferred to his Bachelor's education. The nominee further stated that the Bachelor in Science in Electrical Engineering was actually a

degree and not a diploma certificate as inadvertently misconstrued by the Committee. The nominee further informed the Committee that he has undertaken finance related courses at postgraduate level which are very critical to the function of economic planning.

On how the nominee managed to multi-task both at Kenya Airways (KQ) as a First Officer Pilot between 2006 and 2010 and also pursue a Master's Degree in Business Administration abroad.

28. The nominee submitted that the First Year while working with the Kenya Airways was the only time that was intense which required him to put more focus in the aviation industry. But after the First Year he was able to multi task and enrolled at the University of Phoenix to pursue a Master's in Business Administration which was an online course that only required a physical presence once every year

On accreditation requirement of certificates obtained in Foreign Countries

29. The nominee tabled original academic certificates where the Committee verified that the Commission for University Education had validated the Master's in Business Administration and Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering.

On how the nominee would ensure the County achieves its overall budget objectives bearing in mind that Economic Planning, Revenue Administration and Finance are independent and interdependent functions in the budget process

30. The nominee appreciated the distinct and interdependent nature of the three departments. He underscored need for teamwork between the three County Chief Officers to ensure they work and lead their respective departments on a clear trajectory that meets a common objective. Secondly, the nominee stated the need to create a data management or record system that allows sharing of data between all the departments within the County Treasury which would foster timely decision making.

The nominee pledged, if approved by the Committee, to digitize the planning process to ensure Revenue, Finance and Economic Affairs departments work seamlessly.

On ensuring a conflict-free relationship between the nominee and the County Assembly

31. The nominee was insistent on the need to respect the oversight responsibility of the Committee and the County Assembly which would allow information requested by the Committee and/or Assembly provided as quickly as possible. The nominee also emphasized the need for

transparency, accountability and constant communication that will not only build trust in the operations of the department but also sustain the synergy between the two arms of County Government.

On how the nominee would develop a working relationship with the County Executive Committee Members and other Chief Officers to implement a realistic economic planning road map for the County

32. The nominee informed the Committee that if approved, he would digitize the planning process to allow the CECMs and CCOs be part of the entire process from beginning to the end. He would also advocate for capacity building programmes of CECMs and Cos which will help reduce friction among the said officers.

On what the residents of Nairobi should expect from the nominee if approved by the County Assembly

33. The nominee stated that the residents should expect transparency and accountability in the assigned task, effective service delivery and constant engagement with residents to obtain more feedback and ensure their views are taken into account in all budget and planning documents.

On understanding the nominee's role particularly in reference to Section 117, 118 and 126 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012

34. The nominee informed the Committee that his role would involve budget planning, budget coordination, budget estimates and general coordination of planning documents, fiscal policy, county statistics and public investment management.

Specifically on Section 117, the nominee said that the section gives provision for preparation of County Fiscal Strategy Paper which upon approval by County Assembly is able to highlight the ceilings and the strategic priorities and objectives of the Sectors.

The nominee stated that Section 118 provided for preparation of County Budget Review and Outlook Paper which is a three year summary analyzing historical data, current and future data which allows policy makers to make better decisions relating to budgets.

The nominee informed the Committee that Section 126 of the PFM Act, 2012 provided the basis for preparation of Annual Development Plan which is one year plan derived from the County Integrated Development Plan.

On strategies the nominee would institute to measure the performance of the Economic Planning Department

35. The nominee averred that if approved by the Committee and the Assembly, he would champion for creation of Monitoring and Evaluation Framework. The nominee observed that the Office of the Acting County Secretary handles part of the Monitoring and Evaluation function and it is critical that such is fostered to ensure all departments keep track of work they do.

The nominee committed to introduce output based planning where the Economic Affairs department would be able to perform its work based on measured outputs that would help gauge the success of the department.

On what the nominee sees as the main challenges affecting the Economic Planning mechanisms in the Nairobi City County Government

36. The nominee stated that pending bills that currently stood at about Ksh. 107 Billion was a challenge that needed to be budgeted for. He said that unpredictable cash flows had derailed timely completion of projects, an issue that requires to be rectified to realize predictable and realistic cash flows.

On citizens concerns on being left out on key plans that affect their well-being contrary to the provisions of Article 201 (a) and Section 125 (2) of the Constitution of Kenya and Public Finance Management Act, 2012 that lay the basis for public participation

37. The nominee told the Committee that he would establish a clear communication channel, utilize online social media to enable residents keep track of the projects and planning documents and strategies being undertaken or being initiated by the department. The nominee emphasized that he will use social media, initiate public awareness campaigns and employ stakeholders forum as a way of collecting information where people are able to participate in the entire planning and budget chain and give feedback.

How the nominee wants the County Assembly to assist him in ensuring that planning informs budgeting and vice versa

38. The nominee admitted that in order for the department to work effectively with the Assembly, he would advocate for constant feedback, constant engagement, more capacity building

workshops between the committee and Department to take stock of performance of the department in order to help it perform better.

On the over anchoring role in County budgeting vis a vis the roles of various actors in the budget process that includes the Controller of Budget, the Commission on Revenue Allocation, the Senate, the National Treasury, the County Treasury and the County Assembly

39. The nominee said that the body/entity with an over anchoring role is the County Assembly through the Budget Committee and County Treasury which are charged with budgeting and planning.

On some of the achievements while previously serving as the CECM for Youth, Sports and Communication in Kiambu County between 2014 and 2017

40. The nominee informed the Committee that he spearheaded the establishment of Kiambu County Biashara Fund which was a revolving fund for the Youth, Women and Persons with Disabilities. The nominee informed the Committee that the fund was successful and by the time he was leaving the County it had a budget of about Ksh. 500 Million and loans to more than 4,000 residents had been disbursed with a repayment rate of 94%

The nominee also said that he fronted the construction of three (3) stadia in Kiambu County which to date are being used by residents. He has also led to establishment of Kiambu County Football Team which has participated in many tournaments and even promoted to Division two League.

On papers presented by nominee to the Cabinet of Kiambu County Government and what became of such papers once presented to the Cabinet.

41. The nominee stated that while serving as a CEC Member in Kiambu County Government, he presented the following papers to cabinet:-

- (a) Kiambu Youth Policy which was passed by cabinet and implemented by the County;
- (b) Kiambu Youth Advisory Council which was later changed to Kiambu Youth Congress and was to be subjected to Public Participation; but he left before being passed.
- (c) Kiambu Talent Development Program that gave rise to Kiambu All Stars

On the reports indicating Kiambu County grappling with substance abuse, uncoordinated communication and nominee's role as the CEC in addressing the menace

42. The nominee admitted that at the time he was a CEC Member, cases of drugs and substance abuse was rife, a problem present to this day. In addressing the menace, he led the creation of rehabilitation centres whereby he worked with CEC Member for Health to construct rehabilitation centres in all County hospitals.

The youth affected by substance abuse were getting free food and admission to the centers. The successful ones were able to get funding from Kiambu Biashara Fund which allowed them to start small businesses and lead their normal lives

With respect to uncoordinated communication, he told the Committee that he was able to work closely with the County Public Service Board that saw the County employ communication officers that were deployed to each department to assist in dissemination of information. Social media was also used dubbed "Ask Kiambu" where all CEC Members and Chief Officers responded to issues affecting the residents. The introduction of free Kiambu County newspaper apprised residents on issues of the County.

On engagement in political affairs and how he would disassociate with politics

43. The nominee reiterated to the Committee that he was a professional and pledged to exercise neutrality in discharge of its duties. He referred to the Elections and the Political Parties Acts which abhor engagement in politics by public officers.

The nominee committed and assured the Committee that he will remain neutral and will not publicly state any political view other than the task of serving the residents of Nairobi with impartiality and dedication.

On the motivating factor of seeking to occupy the position of Chief Officer for Economic Affairs that pays paltry salary compared with nominee's net worth

44. The nominee stated that his motivating factor was the chance to serve the residents of Nairobi and did not look for huge perks or other accruing benefits.

On past experience demonstrating commitment to the requirements of Chapter six of the Constitution on leadership and integrity

45. The nominee told the Committee that he has always put integrity at the forefront and gave the example of Kiambu Enterprise Fund that he fronted and ensured its successful implementation. He underscored the need and commitment to always work within the confines of the law with integrity, accountability and transparency.

On community service rendered within the County and in other parts of the Country

46. The nominee stated that together with his spouse they support Children's Home located in Kasarani, Kajiado, Dagoretti and Kiambu.

Committee Observations on the suitability of the nominee

47. The Committee having considered the nominee filled questionnaire pursuant to Section 7(9) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, his curriculum vitae and having heard his oral submissions during the approval hearing, made the following observations on his suitability for appointment as County Chief Officer for Economic Affairs:-

- (i) **THAT**, in accordance with Article 78 (1) and (2) of the Constitution, the nominee is eligible for appointment to State Office since he is a Kenyan Citizen born on 23rd April, 1981 in Nairobi County and does not hold dual citizenship.
- (ii) **THAT**, the nominee has never been removed from office under Article 75 of the Constitution for contravention of Articles 75(1) (*conflict of interest*), Article 76 (*financial probity*), Article 77 (*restriction of activities of State Officers*), and Article 78 (2) (*dual citizenship*) of the Constitution.
- (iii) **THAT**, the nominee has not been charged or convicted by a Court of Law in the past three (3) years.
- (iv) **THAT**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Constitution on leadership and integrity having obtained clearance from the following statutory bodies; the EACC, KRA, and DCI.
- (v) **THAT**, the nominee demonstrated experience, huge knowledge of topical, administrative, and technical issues touching on planning, economic affairs and finance which position he has been nominated to.

COMMITTEE GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

48. That pursuant to Section 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee observed that **Dr. Machel Thogo Karanja Waikenda**, the **County Chief Officer** nominee for **Economic Affairs** demonstrated knowledge on matters touching on the position to which he had been nominated.

In the foregoing, the nominee be **approved** for appointment.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

49. **THAT**, having conducted the approval hearing of the nominee pursuant Section 45 of the County Government Act, 2012, Section 9 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 the Committee recommends that the House-

1. **approves the nomination of Dr. Machel Thogo Karanja Waikenda for appointment as County Chief Officer for Economic Affairs by His Excellency the Governor.**

SIGNED 

HON. WIFRED OLUOCH ODALO, MCA
CHAIRPERSON, COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, BUDGET AND
APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE