

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NAIROBI CITY



THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

SECOND ASSEMBLY - (THIRD SESSION)

REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS

Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 45 (2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Select Committee on County Finance, Budget and Appropriations regarding the rates and rent waivers granted by the County Executive, both formally through advertisements and informally through declarations made by the Governor.

Hon. Speaker, the Governor recently announced a waiver for house rent arrears owed to the Nairobi City County Government by tenants who have failed to clear their debts due to financial challenges.

The move was meant to ease the debt burden in rental arrears for most of the tenants and bring a new chapter in management of rental payments for the houses. However, Hon. Speaker, the tenants continue to receive threats of eviction and harassment from County Government employees on the pending rent arrears despite the Governor's directive.

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

1. Status of both formal and informal waivers made by way of declarations by the Governor and their enforcement;
2. Measures taken by officers of the Planning department to enforce the Governor's declaration and if none, reasons for failure to do so;
3. Actions taken against officials who continue to harass and intimidate tenants on the waived rent arrears despite the directive by the governor.

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Hon. Mwangi Njihia, MCA.
MEMBER FOR WOODLEY KENYATTA GOLF COURSE WARD

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