

STANDING ORDER 47(2)

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY



NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THIRD ASSEMBLY - FOURTH SESSION

**REQUEST FOR STATEMENT**

Subject: Recruitment of Assistant Director, Economic Planning

Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 47(2) (c), I wish to request for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committees on Labour and Social Welfare regarding the recruitment of the Assistant Director for Economic Planning.

Hon. Speaker, Article 185 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 provides for the County Assembly's oversight mandate over the operations in the County Executive. In the exercise of this role, the Assembly directly or through its Committees is guided by the apportionment of functions under Part 2 of the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution, statutes, policies and other instruments.

Hon. Speaker, Section 59 (1) (b) of the County Governments Act, 2012 mandates the County Public Service Board to appoint persons to hold or act in offices of the county public service amongst other functions. The County Executive advertised and conducted interviews on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025 for the position of Assistant Director for Economic Planning. However, there are allegations that the person who was recruited and confirmed into the position was not among the candidates in the shortlist going by the interview notice dated 8<sup>th</sup> April 2025. If so, Hon. Speaker, this is not only contrary to the law and Human Resource Practices but also negates the Constitutional principle of fairness. Therefore, being a critical position in the County, this Assembly is entitled to be apprised on the entire recruitment process.

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

- i. The criteria used by the County Public Service Board in the recruitment process for the position of Assistant Director for Economic Planning;
- ii. The list of applicants for the said position; the names of persons that were shortlisted for the position; and persons who actually attended the interviews;
- iii. The qualifications and requirements for the position; and
- iv. The position held by Mr. Stephen Ochieng before recruitment into the position and whether he met the requirements for confirmation into the position.

HON. REDSON OTIENO, MCA.  
MEMBER OF COUNTY ASSEMBLY, NGEI WARD.

Date: 25/09/25