



COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NAIROBI CITY

SECOND ASSEMBLY – (SECOND SESSION)

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, 2018

1. The Assembly assembled at Thirty Minutes past Two O'clock.
2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer.

QUORUM OF THE ASSEMBLY

There being no quorum at the commencement of the sitting Hon. Speaker ordered the bell be rung for ten minutes.

There being no quorum at the expiry of the ten minutes, the bell was rung for further five minutes.

There being a quorum at the expiry of the five minutes, the Chair called the Assembly to order.

3. COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

Honorable Members, I have the following Communication to convey –

Honorable Members, as you all may recall, on Thursday, 14th June 2018, the Hon. Maurice Gari, Member for Nairobi West Ward rose on a point of order pursuant to provision of Standing Order no. 187, seeking direction from the Chair on Public's access to Meetings of the Select Committee and by extension, non-Committee Members.

Honorable Members, the right Hon. Member in his submission registered his dismay for being denied the privilege to attend the proceedings of the Public Accounts Committee on Wednesday, 13th June 2018 as an *amicus curiae* and pursuant to the Assembly Standing Orders. Accordingly **Hon. Members**, you will also recall that the Chair undertook to give direction on the matter before the House.

Hon. Member, Article 196 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 compels the County Assembly to; (1) “conduct its business in an open manner, and hold its sittings and those of its committees, in public.” Further to that; 196(2) provides that; “A county assembly may not exclude the public, or any

media, from any sitting unless in exceptional circumstances the speaker has determined that there are justifiable reasons for doing so”.

Similarly **Hon. Members**, the same is reiterated by Standing Order no. 190 (1) which provides that; *“All committee proceedings shall be open to the public unless in exceptional circumstances the Speaker has determined that there are justifiable reasons for the exclusion of the public.”*

Honorable Members, Committees are extension of the House and while conducting its Oversight, Legislation and Representation role, is highly advised to abide with the aforementioned provisions. That notwithstanding **Hon. Members**, there are exceptional circumstances where Select Committee meetings may be conducted in closed door.

Honorable Members, accordingly, I direct as follows; that pursuant to provisions of Standing no. 190 (1), all the Committee Chairperson be seeking the Speaker’s authority on the Committee’s intention to conduct closed doors meetings forthwith with justifications therein for the same at least a day before the sitting of such meeting. It is so directed.

I thank you.

4. STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 45(2)(c)

Pursuant to Standing Order 45 (2) (c) the following request to statement was made:-

- i) Statement Request by Hon. Stazo Elijah, MCA from the Chairperson, Sectoral Committee on Planning and Housing regarding the ownership of plot LR No. Nairobi Block 82/2028 in Upper Savannah Ward;

5. STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER

- (i) The Majority Chief Whip on behalf of the Leader of the Majority party made a statement on the Business for the Coming week as resolved by the Assembly Business Committee.

6. RESPONSE TO STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 45(2)(f)

- i. Response to a Statement by the Chairperson, Sectoral Committee on Children, Early Childhood Education and Vocational Training, requested by **Hon. Osman Khalif, MCA**, regarding the status of the school feeding program in ECDs in the County;
- the response was **satisfactorily reported**

7. MOTION – HON. PETER IMWATOK-MINORITY CHIEF WHIP

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, aware that Nairobi City County as the seat of the Country has been on a steady decline over the last two decades, as evidenced by failing

infrastructure and crucial public amenities; **DEEPLY CONCERNED** that most of the development that has taken place in Nairobi over the last two decades has been unplanned and some developers, both residential and business, have failed to take cognizance of laid out City plans by subsequent city administrations, including the newly established County Governments; **REGRETTING** that the result of the foregoing is the evolving chaos that now characterizes life in the City; **REALIZING** that if nothing is done this steady decline spells doom for the Country as a whole, given that Nairobi County contributes roughly 60% of the Republic's GDP; **APPRECIATING** that the County Government of Nairobi in conjunction with the National Government has embarked on an ambitious program for the rebuilding of the City known as the Nairobi Regeneration Program; **NOTING** that the program kicked off with the creation of a multiagency taskforce, co-chaired by Governor Mike Sonko and Tourism Cabinet Secretary Najib Balala, and comprising of officers from both levels of government as well as stakeholders who made a commitment to restore Nairobi to its former glory; **FURTHER APPRECIATING** that this program carries great potential for the restoration of the City to global standards; this Assembly **RESOLVES** to fully support the efforts of the National Government to rejuvenate Nairobi City and will take any legislative or policy measures to make that possible when called upon

(Hon. **Minority Chief Whip**)

Debate ensued;

Mover replied;

*Question put and **Agreed to.***

There being no other business and the time being thirty five minutes past three O'clock, the Speaker adjourned the assembly without Question put pursuant to the Standing Orders.

8. ASSEMBLY ROSE - Twenty five minutes past three O'clock.

MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on
Thursday, 4th July 2018 at 2.30p.m

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