

# COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF NAKURU

## THE HANSARD

### Third Assembly (Second Session)

Friday 3rd November, 2023

### Assembly Building

The House met at 10:45 AM

*[The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri) In the Chair]*

### PRAYER

### COMMUNICATION(S) FROM THE CHAIR

APPROPRIATION BILL No.7 of 2023.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Joel Karuri): Members. I wish to inform you that pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 32, I received a request from the Leader of the Majority Party asking me to appoint a day for a Special Sitting to deliberate on the Nakuru County Supplementary Appropriation Bill No. 7 of 2023. Accordingly, and in line with the provisions of Standing Order 32 (2) I was satisfied that the request was indeed urgent and of utmost importance. Subsequently, today's Sitting was gazetted through the Kenya Gazette Notice No. 14706. Therefore, Honorable Members, this Sitting is properly convened.

### COMMUNICATION(S) FROM THE CHAIR

#### VISITING DEPUTY SPEAKER

I wish to inform you that today we are privileged to be joined by the Deputy Speaker of the County Assembly of Bungoma, the Honorable Stephen Wafula Wamalwa, who is seated within the Chamber.

*(Applause)*

I wish to take this opportunity to welcome the Honorable Wamalwa to our Chamber and the Assembly, and further appreciate this friendly gesture. *Karibu sana.*

### PROCEDURAL MOTION

APPROPRIATION BILL NUMBER 7 of 2023

**The Speaker** (Hon. Joel Karuri): There is a Procedural Motion by the Honorable Alex Mbugua, the Chairperson Committee on Budget and Appropriations.

**Hon. Alex Mbugua:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, I wish to stand on Procedural Motion THAT Notwithstanding the provision of Standing Order 119, this House resolves to reduce the Publication Period of the Nakuru County Supplementary Appropriation Bill No. 7 of 2023 from 7 days to 1 day.

Mr. Speaker, within the current Budgeting Period, and more so this period, there have been so many changes within how the Government is operating. There has been introduction of new taxes, there has also been introduction of new NHIF billing and also, we have those of our Contractors who did their work in the previous Financial Year, and those People Mr. Speaker cannot be accommodated in the current Budget until a Supplementary is made to be coherent with the order of the day.

Mr. Speaker, when this Supplementary Budget passes, it will allow the economy of Nakuru to move ahead with coherent and everything that is supposed to be herein. Mr. Speaker, I wish to ask the House to adopt this and I wish to ask Hon. Alex Lang'at to second this.

**The Majority Leader** (Hon. Alex Lang'at): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. I rise to second the Motion.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Joel Karuri): Thank you. The Motion is properly before the House; and the Motion is THAT Notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 119, this House resolves to reduce the Publication Period of the Nakuru County Supplementary Appropriation Bill No. 7 of 2023 from 7 days to 1 day. The Motion is open for Debate. The Honorable Leader of Minority Party.

**The Minority Leader** (Hon. Philip Wanjohi): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Listening to the remarks made by the Chair Budget Committee and also the support evidence given by the Majority Leader, Mr. Speaker I wish to agree that we proceed with the Procedural Motion because there are issues ahead of us that need to be deliberated on, and to be solved before Christmas. Thank you Mr. Speaker, I support.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Joel Karuri): Thank you. The Deputy Leader of the Majority Party.

**Hon. Rose Njoroge:** Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I also want to support the Motion, so that we can help in hastening developments in our County. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Joel Karuri): Thank you. The Member for Hells Gate who is also the Minority Whip.

**Hon. Virginia Wamaitha:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand to support the Motion, bearing in mind that some projects were rolled over to this Financial Year and they had not been factored in the current Budget. There are Contractors who had already completed their Contracts yet they cannot be paid until we pass the Supplementary Budget. So Mr. Speaker, I stand to support, thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Joel Karuri): Thank you. The Honorable Member for Maai Mahiu and then there will be another order.

**Hon. Eliud Chege:** Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this chance. I also like to second and support the Motion. Mr. Speaker, many Contractors have done their work but they cannot be paid. So, I think this matter is urgent and as the Assembly, we need to push this matter and put it to rest so that we can give a chance to our County to develop. Thank you Mr. Speaker, I do support.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Joel Karuri): Thank you. The Honorable Member for Subukia and then the Member from Rongai.r.

**Hon. Isabella Makori:** Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. I also like to support this Motion. In fact, on the ‘ground’ things are very difficult. We need this Supplementary like yesterday. Thank you Mr. Speaker, I support.

**Hon. Doreen Korir:** Thank you so much Mr. Speaker, I also stand to support the Procedural Motion and the issue of Budget. Mr. Speaker according to the Budget, I know there is an allocation for the Municipalities, both Molo and Gilgil. So to ensure that this starts as soon as possible, Mr. Speaker I support that we move with speed. Also the issue of Bills that are pending, like the Electricity bills need to be settled, so I support. And also, reading the mood of the House, I propose that you put it into question. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Joel Karuri): Hon Members, I will proceed the Motion to put it into question. The Motion is: - THAT Notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 119, this House resolves to reduce the Publication Period of the Nakuru County Supplementary Appropriation Bill No.7 of 2023, from 7 days to 1 day.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

*(Applause)*

**BILL(s)**

*First Reading*

THE NAKURU COUNTY SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS BILL No. 7 of 2023

**The Speaker** (Hon. Joel Karuri): Honorable Members, the Bill which is the Nakuru County Supplementary Appropriation Bill No. 7 of 2023, is now committed to the Committee on Budget and Appropriations for consideration and report to this House.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Hon. Members this House stands adjourned to today at 2.30 pm in the Afternoon

**The House rose at 11.00 AM**

