

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MOMBASA THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 22nd February, 2023 **Third Assembly – Eleventh Sitting**

[The County Assembly met at 10:19a.m. at the County Assembly Buildings] [The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Athman Rama Mwamwiri) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Mwamwiri): Honourable Members, you may be seated. Yes Clerk?

NOTICE OF MOTION

ROAD SAFETY IN THE COUNTY

Yes, Honourable Samir Bhaloo MCA Tudor Ward, please give the Notice of Motion.

Hon. Bhaloo: Good morning, Mr. Speaker Sir. Mr. Speaker Sir, I beg to give the following Notice of Motion:

THAT AWARE THAT, part two of the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution of Kenya section 5 (a) (c) developed transport which includes County roads, traffic and parking;

FURTHER AWARE THAT, road safety is an important factor for the safety and wellbeing of the public particularly for school going children;

CONCERNED that majority of our schools especially the ECDES and lower primary schools...

[Interruption]
[Power Outage]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Mwamwiri): Just proceed with the notice.

Hon. Bhaloo: Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir.

CONCERNED that majority of our schools especially the ECDE's and lower primary schools are situated near roads with high number of motorists and motorbikes posing high risk for the safety of our kids;

I, therefore urge this Assembly to RESOLVE that:

The County government in partnership with the National government Road agencies to construct road bumps and paint zebra crossing marks on all roads near schools and area with masses crossing.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Mwamwiri): Thank you. Yes Clerk?

NOTICE OF MOTION

SUSTAINABLE BEAUTIFICATION OF MOMBASA COUNTY

Yes, Honourable Hawa Abdulrahman, please give the Notice of Motion.

Hon. Hawa Abdulrahman: Mr. Speaker Sir, I beg to give the following Notice of Motion:

THAT AWARE THAT Mombasa County is a major business hub and a popular tourist destination in Kenya, attracting both local and foreign entrepreneurs, investors and tourists;

FURTHER AWARE THAT there is a need to promote the County's aesthetic beauty to enhance and attract foreign investors, promote tourism, create employment opportunities, and improve the socio-economic development of the region;

NOTING THAT the Constitution of Kenya, pursuant to Article 69 provides for the sustainable exploitation, utilization, management and conservation of the environment and natural resources, with environmental conservation and management being devolved to the County Governments as provided for in the Fourth Schedule of that document;

FURTHER NOTING THAT the Mombasa County Solid Waste Management Act, 2020 advocates for the reduction, recovery and recycling of waste among a raft of measures to manage and enforce responsible garbage disposal sustainably;

APPRECIATING the efforts by His Excellency the Governor, Abdulswamad Sheriff Nassir, in garbage collection in his first 100 days and for his Mombasa ni Yangu initiative, aptly implemented the County Assembly's resolution to employ 2000 casual employees to clean the CBD and suburbs;

CONCERNED THAT, without taking strong and urgent measures, Mombasa will lose its competitiveness as a major business hub and popular tourist destination, thus affecting revenue by both levels of Government and impinging on socio-economic development;

SERIOUSLY CONCERNED THAT, without taking enhanced policy and practical measures, Mombasa will be an eyesore and be plagued with filth, noxious diseases which will pose public health risks and hazards;

- *I, therefore, urge this Assembly to RESOLVE:*
- 1. Garbage Collection and Disposal:

- a) THAT the County government purchase additional garbage collection and disposal vehicles to increase the efficiency of garbage collection and disposal services;
- b) THAT the County government establishes a waste separation program to promote the proper disposal of garbage and minimize pollution;
- c) THAT the County government encourages and involves residents and stakeholders in community-based solid waste management programmers;
- d)THAT the County government consider working with partners to establish a garbage recycling facility and explore other uses of garbage such as for power generation;
- 2. Street Cleaning and Washing:
- a) THAT the County government purchase street cleaning and washing vehicles to improve the cleanliness of the streets;
- b) THAT the County government develops and enforces laws that promote the cleanliness of streets and impose penalties for littering;
- c) THAT the County government involves residents and stakeholders in keeping the streets clean by organizing regular cleanup exercises;
- 3. Enhancing the aesthetic beauty of Mombasa County:
- a) THAT the County government seek certification and compliance with the ISO 14000 Certification family of standards for an Environmental Management System of the County to ensure the environmental management practices are continuous and measure to global standards and best practices;
- b) THAT the County government plant flowers, indigenous fruit trees, and other plants along the streets and in public places to enhance the aesthetic beauty of the County;
- c) THAT the County government sensitizes and encourages landlords to paint and refurbish their buildings to improve their appearance and promote tourism;
- d) THAT the County government construct and rehabilitate public parks, recreational facilities, and tourist attraction sites to enhance the attractiveness of the County.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Mwamwiri): Yes, Clerk?

NOTICE OF MOTION

MEASURES TO DECONGEST COAST TEACHING AND REFERRAL HOSPITAL

Yes, Honourable Allen Katana please give the Notice of Motion.

Hon. Katana: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker Sir, I beg to give the following Notice of Motion:

THAT AWARE THAT, article 43 (1) (a) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 provides that every person has the right to the highest attainable standard of health which includes the right to heath care services;

FURTHER AWARE THAT, health sector is the biggest function to be devolved under the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 to allow the County government to design innovation models and interventions that suit the unique health needs, encourage effective citizen participation and make autonomous and quick decision on resource mobilization and management;

COGNIZANT THAT, the Coast General Teaching and Referral Hospital is the largest public health facility serving the Counties of Mombasa, Kilifi, Lamu, Tana River, Kwale and Taita Taveta:

CONCERNED THAT, due to the high number of patients at Coast General Teaching & Referral Hospital the situation has caused congestion, undue delay in service delivery, straining of the available facilities and overworked staff;

I, therefore urge this Assembly to RESOLVE;

- 1. THAT, the County government through the Department of Health to conduct a strategic needs assessment survey of the infrastructure, equipment and human resource capacities of all health facilities in the County to be able to know requirement, capacities, for planning and implement solutions accordingly.
- 2. THAT, The County government to upgrade Port Reitz Level 4 Hospital to level 5 and fully equip it to attend to referrals to reduce the overcrowding at the Coast Teaching & Referral Hospital.
- 3. The County government to source for funds for construction of health facilities in every Ward and renovate the existing ones for easy access to health care.

Number nine..., sorry with that Mr. Speaker, I thank you.

[Laughter]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Mwamwiri): I see you have decided to become a Clerk? Yes, Clerk?

NOTICE OF MOTION

RENOVATION, REVAMPING, IMPROVEMENT AND EXPANSION OF COAST GENERAL HOSPITAL

The Chair is seeking notification of Honourable Amriya Boy, assigned Honourable Hamida Noor to give a Notice of Motion. Kindly Honourable Hamida Noor proceed on behalf of Honourable Amriya Boy.

Hon. Noor: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I beg to give the following Notice of Motion;

THAT AWARE THAT, Coast General Hospital is a premier Level 5 health facility established in 1908 and currently serves as a public hospital serving the County of Mombasa and more;

FURTHER AWARE THAT, some modest improvements have been done to give a facelift to the facility to improve its physical condition but are not far reaching;

NOTING THAT, the image and look of the facility is that of an old, worn-out structure that needs repair and repainting;

FURTHER NOTING THAT, the hospital handles high human traffic putting a strain on the facility which causes undue delay, long ques, patients sharing beds and expectant mothers unattended;

CONCERED THAT, if measures are not put in place to renovate and revamp the expand of the Facility.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Mwamwiri): Yes Clerk?

[Power restored]

Hon. Noor: Mr. Speaker;

CONCERED THAT, if measures are not put in place to renovate and revamp the facility it will severely impact on its ability to offer quality and beneficial services to the public;

FURTHER Concerned THAT, the health facility is yet to attain ISO certification or adapt world class best practice in matters of health care, cleanliness and security and custom services;

I, therefore urge this Assembly to RESOLVE;

THAT, the County government of Mombasa in partnership with the National government, to source for funds for renovating, revamping and expanding of the Coast General Hospital, to take measures to attain the ISO certification in order to offer enhanced better and quality services to the members of the public.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Mwamwiri): Yes Clerk?

ADJOURNMENT

This House stands adjourned until Wednesday 22nd February, 2023 at 2:30p.m.

The House rose at 10:36a.m.