REPUBLIC OF KENYA COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KIAMBU

THE HANSARD

Thursday, 27th September, 2018

The County Assembly met at the Assembly Chamber at 2.30P.M

(Temporary Speaker (Hon. James Mburu) in the Chair)

PRAYER

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): Serjeant at Arms, you may ring the bell as we do not have the quorum.

(Quorum Bell Rung For ten Minutes)

PETITIONS

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): Chairperson, Committee of Planning and Urbanization

Member, Committee of Planning and Urbanization, (Hon. (M/s) Yvonne): Thank you Mr. Speaker and Committee of Planning and Urbanization has considered a number of Petitions and the deadline has reached and passed and I am seeking for extension of the same.

The first is regarding the extension of timeline for the public petition for Kenya Unity for memorial Peace heritage and cultural organization which is due for tabling today 27th September, 2018. The Committee is currently considering this Petition for Kenya Unity for memorial Peace heritage and cultural organization which is due for tabling today.

Committee has been able to finalize its investigations and report back to the House which has a number of factors, one of them being the consideration of Annual Development Plan (ADP) for the department of Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development. There have been delays of intervention reports by the stakeholders and in light of this Mr. Speaker we humbly request for an

extension of 21 days so that we can conclude investigations and report of the Petition and ask them to bear with us and consider our plea. Thank you Mr. Speaker!

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): So you request for 21 days and bring the report to the House?

Member, Committee of Planning and Urbanization, (Hon. (M/s) Yvonne): Yes and in addition Mr. Speaker there is another petition that we will table for the Committee. The Public petition residents of Mwanamukia Farm that need to be tabled from Tigoni Ngecha Ward. I would also wish to ask for an extension it was due for tabling on 14th September, 2018.

Actually, in this particular Petition we met the petitioners on 2nd August, 2018 and we also invited business community on 9th August, 2018. The petitioners were not able to appear and the meeting was scheduled for 6th September, 2018. In addition the Committee requested for further information from the CEC Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development and a reminder has been done but the Committee is yet to receive the communication we had requested for.

So, we are therefore not able to finalize the petition and we request for an additional 21 days but for sure we have already started working on it and they are all near completion of the said petition and we humbly request for additional 21 days and ask for solidarity of the House on the same and we shall table it within the said timelines, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): Thank you Mheshimiwa Yvonne.

Member, Committee of Planning and Urbanization, (Hon. (M/s) Yvonne): Thank you for your understanding Mr. Speaker.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): We have given you 21 days and we expect to see the report within the 21days.

Member, Committee of Planning and Urbanization, (Hon. (M/s) Yvonne): Most obliged Mr. Speaker.

STATEMENTS

LACK OF PUBLIC TOILETS IN GITHUNGURI STADIUM

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): Hon. Gitau Kagwe.

Githunguri MCA, (Hon. Kagwe): Thank you Mr. Speaker, Hon. Speaker pursuant to Standing Order 56(3) I hereby wish to request for a Statement from the Chairperson of the sectoral Committee on Water, Environment and Natural Resources concerning lack of public toilets in Githunguri Stadium.

Hon. Speaker, Githunguri Stadium has been in existence for a long time and it is used to nurture the youthful talents in sports among others. However, the Stadium lacks a public toilet because it is full and it is in a deplorable condition.

Consequently, in February this year, the County Environment Officers demolished the said toilet and pledged to construct a new one. This has not been done to date and as a result the public is seeking for sanitation facilities in a designated area of the stadium. The place is very filthy and a health hazard. The public operating within the stadium and its environs continue to live in fear of a possible cholera outbreak if the situation continues unchecked.

Mr. Speaker in view of the above the chairperson should enquire into and report on the following:

- 1. The urgent measures that the county government is undertaking to address the above health crisis in Githunguri stadium; and
- 2. Whether the County Government has any plans of constructing toilets in Githunguri Stadium under 2018/2019 financial year. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): Chairperson, Water, Environment and Natural Resources?

Chairperson, Water, Environment and Natural Resources, (Hon. Gacharah): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I also want to acknowledge and appreciate the statement that has been sought although to the best of my knowledge definitely we will give response within 21 days but I fear we do not have a stadium in Githunguri but grounds because it does not meet the criteria of a stadium. So that is partly why they do not have a push on go like many other grounds but also with the cognizant of that.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): Hon. Gitau Kagwe are you satisfied?

Githunguri MCA, (Hon. Kagwe): Thank you Mr. Speaker, Hon. Speaker whether it is a stadium or playing grounds or a facility that is being used by the people of Githunguri they need a public toilet urgently. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): Thank you, we leave the issue to the Committee of Water to handle the matter. Chairperson, Finance Budget and Appropriations!

RESPONSE TO A REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING THE KENYA DEVOLUTION SUPPORT PROGRAMME (KDSP)

Chairperson, Finance Budget and Appropriations, (Hon. Karuga): Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Solomon Kinuthia Member for Ndenderu Ward requested for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations regarding the Kenya Devolution Support Programme (KDSP) grant of 2018.

Honorable Speaker, the Hon. Solomon Kinuthia, (Ndenderu Ward) requested for a statement concerning the status of the Kenya Devolution Support Programme.

Honorable Speaker, the Committee conveyed the request for statement to the Chief Officer in the department of Finance, ICT and Economic Planning;

Honorable Speaker, on behalf of the Committee, I wish to report the communication received from the County Executive Committee Member responsible for Finance, ICT and Economic Planning as follows:

- 1. That the target area was led by through consultations with Kenya Devolution Support Programme who provided guidance for the allocation of projects which qualify for the plan. Consultations were also done by members of KDSP committees from His Excellency the Governor.
- 2. The projects identified among the Big 4 Agenda are in health sector and the KDSP is a World Bank funded programme that supports the County Governments to build their capacity in order to actualize devolution;
- 3. That, the programme began in the FY 2016/2017;
- 4. That, there was a condition that each County was to meet in order to qualify for access to the fund;
- 5. that, Kiambu County was among the 47 counties that qualified;
- 6. that, the programme funding however did not start until FY 2017/2018 where an amount of Kshs 56 million was received;
- 7. That, the County commenced capacity building activities in May 2017;
- 8. That, the Key Result Areas (KRAs) where the programme was to be undertaken was:
 - a. Public Finance Management (KRA 1);
 - b. Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation (KRA 2);
 - c. Human Resource Management (KRA 3);
 - d. Civic Education and Public Participation (KRA 4);
 - e. Investment implementation & Social and Environment Performance (KRA 5);
- 9. That, under, Civic Education and Public Participation (KRA 4), the following activities were undertaken:
- . A civic education unit was formed;
- a. 28 Officers were trained on Civic Education at Masada Hotel in Naivasha;
- b. 28 officers were trained on Civic Education programme development;
 - 10. That, the total cost of all activities for KRA 4 was Kshs 5,549,468;
 - 11. That, other activities that were not held as at 30th June 2018 due to time constraints are due to be undertaken within this financial year;

- 12. That, in the Financial Year 2018/2019, the grant will be utilized in capacity Building (Kshs 60 million) and an investment which must be within the Kenya's Big Four Agenda (Kshs 238 million); and
- 13. That, the investment to be funded is yet to be identified.

Honorable Speaker, I beg to lay this response from the Executive Committee Member.

Thank you.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): Hon. Solomon are you satisfied with the response?

Ndenderu MCA, (Hon. Solomon): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir and before I respond I wish to express the utmost confidence that these Members have in you and your leadership in that chair. We are much obliged...

(Applause)

We have emphatically expressed our love and confidence that we have and we hope in due time you will give us the directions from the chair. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The CEC, Finance has given a very elaborate statement on how they tend to utilize these monies and they also need us to approve for financing and it is a shame that this House does not benefit from the Ksh. 60 Million in terms of capacity building .We are also working within a number of government institutions in order to do devolution work.

So, I am hopeful the Chairperson for Finance will push the CEC to include us, so that is what I wanted to bring out. We also need to benefit from this Grant, thank you Chairperson and we are very happy with you and God bless you.

Before I conclude, I want to bring to your attention that we are celebrating birthday of one Miss CASA and we should make sure that we wash her appropriately, thank you Mr. Speaker Sir.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): Thank you Hon. Solomon and thank you Chairperson, Finance. The Member is satisfied with the report. Chairperson, you have a report regarding the parking fee in Thika town?

COLLECTION OF PARKING FEE IN THIKA TOWNSHIP

Chairperson, Finance, Budget and Appropriations, (Hon. Karuga): Hon. Speaker, Hon Gitau, MCA Githunguri Ward requested for a statement for the Chairperson of the sectoral Committee on Finance Budget and Appropriations regarding the collection of parking fee in Thika Town and Hon. Speaker, I wish

to request for an extension of 14 days so that we can make a proper follow up on the matter. We had requested the Clerk to ask the CEC but he said a reply has not reached to his desk. So kindly grant us 14 days so that we can come up with a proper report from the CEC, thank you.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): Hon. Lawrence? Chairperson Finance? I wish Hon. Lawrence was here to hear the response from you because he is the one who requested. Chairperson, Water?

Chairperson, Water, Environment and Natural Resources, (Hon. Gacharah): Hon. Speaker, there were two statements that were sought. The first one was regarding the lack of social responsibilities by the Board for residents of Githunguri, Lari for utilizing water resources and the other one was in regard to compensation and employment opportunities of locals as a result of construction in Kariminu dam in Kiambu County and this was sought by Hon. Benson King'ara.

Mr. Speaker my committee has adopted a certain approach that whoever sought for a statement should also visit the area where the statement has been sought. So that we are able to compare our findings and what has been given by the department.

In this regard, we did visit the aforementioned areas and we were in the process of compiling what we get from the department because of that case we ask for seven more days so that what we give as response can be concrete and a reflect the situation in the ground. I hope the House and the people who sought will allow us.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): You know you are talking about both responses. Mheshimiwa Gathuru? He is not in the House. Hon. Benson King'ara? Hon. Gacharah is seeking for seven more days.

Mwihoko MCA, (Hon. King'ara): Thank you Mr. Speaker, as much as the additional time will add value to the response that the chairperson of the committee shall table the report to this House, I think it will do no harm.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): Thank you, you are granted seven days I hope you are going to work out on that.

ADJOURNMENT

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Mburu): There being no other business this Assembly stands adjourned until Tuesday 2nd October, 2018 at 2.30P.M. Thank you!

The House rose at 12:59 P.M.

