

REPUBLIC OF KENYA
MURANG'A COUNTY ASSEMBLY
THE HANSARD

Tuesday, 11th February 2025.

The Assembly met at 10:35 a.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha) in the Chair]

PRAYER

PAPERS

**THE MURANG'A COUNTY SPATIAL PLAN AND INTEGRATED
STRATEGIC URBAN DEVELOPMENT PLANS**

Hon. Gerald Wambugu: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I have been called to lay a Paper on several documents but before I do that, I am not comfortable to be called by one Kuria Thuita presiding the Assembly today because all these members have voted against the speaker being in office. I therefore request for your guidance before I lay the Paper.

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): Say it again I did not get you.

Hon. Gerald Wambugu: I am saying all these members in the Assembly have written a notice of no confidence against Clerk and I am not comfortable laying this Paper at this time before your guidance.

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): Thank you honorable member, I have only heard of that paper, it has not been received in my office officially, therefore, we shall proceed until that comes to my office, officially.

Hon. Gerald Wambugu: Thank you Mr. Speaker for your guidance, I can move on. Pursuant to Standing Order 134 (4) I wish to lay the following Papers;-

The Murang'a County Spatial plan and the following Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plans be laid on the Table of the Assembly:

- a. Kangari Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- b. Murang'a Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- c. Maragua Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- d. Kandara Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan

- e. A2 Corridor Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- f. Murang'a Municipality Zoning Guidelines
- g. Kenol Municipality Zoning Guidelines

(Hon. Gerald Wambugu laid the Papers on the Table)

THE MURANG'A COUNTY SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET FY 2024 / 2025

Hon. Charles Machigo: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I beg to lay the following Paper;-

That, pursuant to section 135 of Public Finance Management act (PFM) 2012, the Murang'a County Executive and County Assembly first supplementary revenue and expenditure for the financial year 2024/2025 be laid on the Table of the Assembly today Tuesday, 11th February 2025. Thank you.

(Hon. Charles Machigo laid the Paper on the Table)

NOTICES OF MOTION

ADOPTION OF THE MURANG'A COUNTY SPATIAL PLAN AND INTEGRATED STRATEGIC URBAN DEVELOPMENT PLANS AND GUIDELINES

Hon. Gerald Wambugu: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following Motion;-

That, this Assembly adopts the Murang'a County Spatial Plan and the following Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plans and guidelines, laid on the Table of the Assembly on Tuesday, 11th February 2025;

- a. Kangari Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- b. Murang'a Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- c. Maragua Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- d. Kandara Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- e. A2 Corridor Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- f. Murang'a Municipality Zoning Guidelines
- g. Kenol Municipality Zoning Guidelines

ADOPTION OF REPORT OF AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES
COMMITTEE ON THE ANNUAL WORKPLAN FOR THE AGRICULTURE,
LIVESTOCK, VETERINARY SERVICES AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT FOR FY
2024/2025

Hon. Pauline Njeri: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following Motion: that, this Assembly adopts the Report of the sectoral Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries on the annual work plan for the Agriculture, Livestock, Veterinary Services and Fisheries department for FY 2024/2025, laid on the Table of the Assembly on Tuesday, December 3, 2024.

MOTION

ADOPTION OF THE MURANG'A COUNTY SPATIAL PLAN AND INTEGRATED
STRATEGIC URBAN DEVELOPMENT PLANS AND GUIDELINES

Hon. Gerald Wambugu: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I beg to move the following Motion;- That, this Assembly adopts the Murang'a County Spatial Plan and the following Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plans, laid on the Table of the Assembly on Tuesday, February 11, 2025.

- a. Kangari Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- b. Murang'a Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- c. Maragua Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- d. Kandara Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- e. A2 Corridor Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- f. Murang'a Municipality guidelines
- g. Kenol Municipality guidelines

Mr. Speaker, under Article 176 of the Constitution of Kenya (2010) mandates that every County Government decentralize its functions and service delivery to the extent that it is both efficient and practicable. Consequently, County Governments are legally obligated to devolve governance and service provision responsibilities to designated institutional agencies established by law, ensuring a more effective and responsive administrative framework.

Mr. Speaker, the Constitution delineates urban planning responsibilities between the National and County Governments. Specifically, Part 2(8) of the Fourth Schedule assigns County

Governments the mandate for County Planning and Development. This encompasses key functions such as statistics, land survey and mapping, boundary delineation and fencing, housing, electricity and gas reticulation, as well as energy regulation at the county level.

Section 48 of the County Government Act No. 17 of 2012 stipulates that the functions and service delivery responsibilities of County Governments shall be decentralized to urban areas, municipalities, and cities within the County. This decentralization must be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Urban Areas and Cities Act, 2011, ensuring an organized and legally structured approach to governance at the local level.

In the Second Assembly, the Committee on Lands, Housing, Physical, and Urban Planning facilitated the establishment of the Kangari and Kenol Municipalities. In the current Assembly, the same Committee has undertaken the vetting process for the members of the respective municipal boards, ensuring their full operationalization and functionality.

The County Department of Lands, Housing, Physical, and Urban Planning, in collaboration with the Municipal Boards, have reviewed the ten year Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan (ISUDP) for all municipalities in the County. The ultimate objective of these plans are to ensure well-regulated development, fostering economic opportunities while promoting environmental sustainability. Through strategic planning, these initiatives aim to enhance air and water quality, expand access to affordable housing, and improve public transportation systems—all in a manner that optimizes resource utilization and economic efficiency.

Mr. Speaker, the Spatial Plan, Integrated Urban Development Plan and guidelines were formally presented before the Assembly yesterday, for consideration and approval. Consequently, they were referred to the Committee on Lands, Housing, and Physical Planning. The Committee convened on the same day to examine and deliberate on the plans. However, due to the delayed submission of documents from the Executive, the Committee was unable to hold a retreat for an in-depth review of the Plans. Instead, members diligently worked late into the night, despite the less-than-ideal conditions of the Committee rooms, to ensure that these plans could be Tabled before the House today.

This Report outlines the deliberations and findings of the Committee on the;

- a) Murang'a County Spatial Plan,
- b) Kangari Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan

- c) Murang'a Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- d) Maragua Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- e) Kandara Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- f) A2 Corridor Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan
- g) Murang'a Municipality guidelines
- h) Kenol Municipality guidelines

Honourable Speaker, The Murang'a County Spatial Plan 2019-2029 is guided by the requirements and proposals outlined in the various national policy documents including the Kenya Constitution 2010, the Kenya Vision 2030 as well as other related legislation. The Plan addresses the use of land, protection of land resources management of available natural resources and conservation of the environment. The Plan also considers public welfare and design of the urban environment.

The ultimate objective of the CSP is to provide the County government with guidelines to ensure the optimal spatial development of the County and its urban areas and to identify linkages to the neighboring counties and the Nairobi metropolitan region. The plan therefore not only enhances local planning and development guidance but also provides a basis for regional integration and development connectivity to the benefit of Murang'a county, the A2 transport corridor and the wider Nairobi metropolitan area.

Based on the above-mentioned background, the specific purpose of the plan are:

- a. Provide an overall spatial framework for the County to guide development
- b. Interpret and localize national and regional policies and strategies.
- c. Guide rural development and settlements in the County.
- d. Provide a basis for infrastructure and service delivery.
- e. Guide the wise use of natural resources and environmental management and conservation

To operationalize this CSP, the County has formulated the Murang'a Municipality Zoning guidelines and the Kenol Municipality zoning guidelines which offers a specific planning proposal to inform developments within an informed framework. The zoning guidelines for Kenol and Murang'a municipalities will streamline spatial management across the two municipalities.

Honourable Speaker, this Report further outlines the deliberations and findings of the Committee on a review of the Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plans for Murang'a Municipality, A2 Transport Corridor, Kandara town, Maragua town and Kangari towns. Through this Report, the Committee aims to provide a comprehensive overview of the urban planning and development frameworks established within the ISUDPs, ensuring that this Assembly is well-informed on the strategic direction and implementation of development initiatives for the Murang'a municipality, A2 Corridor, Kandara town, Maragua town and Kangari town. When I talk of A2 corridor, it is important to be clear it is that road that starts from Blue-post to Sagana

On behalf of sectoral Committee on Land, Housing, Physical and Urban Planning and pursuant to provisions of Standing Order 204 (5) (g), it is my pleasant privilege and honor to report back to the County Assembly with the recommendation that the review of the Murang'a Municipality, A2 Corridor, Kandara town, Maragua town and Kangari towns Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plans (ISUDPs), The Murang'a Municipality zoning guidelines, The Kenol Municipality zoning guidelines and the Murang'a County Spatial Plan be approved by this County Assembly.

The Committee as part of its assessment, the Committee conducted a thorough review of the Murang'a Strategic Urban Development Plan (SUDP), evaluating its alignment with legal frameworks, strategic objectives, and overall feasibility. The following key observations were made, one, compliance with legal and policy frameworks; the plan demonstrates alignment with national and county legislation, including the Urban Areas and Cities Act (2011, as amended in 2019) and the County Spatial Planning Guidelines (2018). However, the Committee assessed whether the legal provisions were adequately incorporated into the implementation framework to ensure compliance.

Two, strategic vision and development focus, the Committee examined whether the plan articulates a clear and actionable vision for urban growth, emphasizing economic development, spatial planning, and service delivery. A well-defined strategic direction is crucial to ensuring long-term sustainability and resilience in urban areas.

Three, public participation and stakeholder engagement, the extent to which public participation was integrated into the planning process was assessed. The Committee reviewed the inclusivity and transparency of consultations with residents, businesses, and other key stakeholders. Whether the feedback obtained was systematically incorporated into the final plan.

The adequacy of mechanisms to ensure ongoing stakeholder engagement throughout the implementation phase.

Number four infrastructure and service delivery provisions, the Committee evaluated the plan's infrastructure priorities, including transportation and mobility – road networks, public transit, and non-motorized transport integration, water, sanitation, and waste management – adequacy of provisions for sustainable utility services. Energy and smart urban solutions with integration of technology-driven innovations to enhance service efficiency. The assessment focused on whether these provisions align with projected population growth, urban expansion, and resource availability.

Five, economic growth and investment promotion, the plan's approach to economic stimulation and investment attraction was critically examined. The Committee assessed the strategic positioning of the municipality to leverage regional and national economic opportunities.

The presence of clear policies to support Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs), industrial zones, and commercial hubs. The alignment of economic initiatives with broader national development agendas and Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs). Six Mr. Speaker, environmental and sustainability considerations given the increasing need for climate resilience, the Committee reviewed whether the plan adequately integrates green spaces, sustainable land use, and environmental conservation policies. The robustness of strategies addressing waste management, pollution control, and disaster risk mitigation. The incorporation of climate-responsive urban planning to enhance long-term sustainability.

On implementation framework and governance, the Committee evaluated the governance structure proposed for plan execution, focusing on institutional roles and responsibilities that is clarity on the mandates of municipal boards, county governments, and relevant authorities. Monitoring and evaluation mechanisms, the presence of measurable performance indicators and reporting structures. Capacity building measures to enhance institutional efficiency in delivering urban development initiative.

Eight Mr. Speaker, is on financial sustainability and resource mobilisation. The feasibility of funding the proposed initiative was a critical area of evaluation, the committee reviewed:

- a. Budgetary allocations and whether financial provisions are realistic and well structured.

- b. Potential funding sources including government appropriations, donor grants and private sector investment.
- c. The extent to which the plan incorporates cost-effective innovative financing models for sustainable implementation.

Nine is on adaptability and future-proofing. Recognising the dynamic nature of urban development, the committee assessed the plan's flexibility in responding to emerging urbanisation trends, technical advancement, and socioeconomic shifts. The robust SUDP must allow for periodic reviews and adjustments to remain relevant and effective.

Mr. Speaker, as I conclude, the committee evaluations were aimed to determine whether the strategic urban development plan provides a coherent legally, compliant and actionable framework for sustainable urban growth. The findings emphasise the need for strong governance, stakeholder collaboration, and financial prudence to ensure the plans translate into tangible improvement in municipal service delivery, economic development, and sustainability.

Mr. Speaker, these are the Committee's recommendations:

1. A comprehensive stakeholder engagement be carried out to establish an implementation framework that addresses the social economic need of the County residents with an effective budget realistic set up. The implementation framework for all County planning departments, be presented to this Assembly within 60 calendar days upon the adoption of this report.
2. Mr Speaker, the Assembly approves the Kangari-Kandara-Maragua A2 corridor, Murang'a municipality SUDPs, Kenol municipality zoning guidelines, and Murang'a municipality zoning guidelines presented to this Assembly.

Mr. Speaker, I now call my able Chairperson, Hon. Isaac Chefman, to second the motion.
Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): Yes, Hon. Chefman, and correct that you are not the Chairperson, otherwise you will be insurbordinating.

(Laughter)

Hon. Chefman Njoro: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker Sir, for correction and information, I am the vice Chairperson of the Lands Committee. My Chair, I think you are blessing me, in the next Assembly, I will be the Chair.

(Laughter)

Hon. Chefman Njoroge: Mr. Speaker, before I second the Motion, I think we are having a wrong arrangement, I do not know when we had a change of position that Hon. Priscilla is the chief whip and my able chief whip became the deputy leader of the majority. I do not know if I can be advised before I second, Mr. Speaker. It is important to have the arrangement correctly unless there is a *coup d'état* within the Assembly.

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): I think I will start with the Chief Whip; he has vacated his seat.

Hon. Morris Ngunu: Mr. Speaker, the arrangement was mutually agreed and there is no problem. The status quo remains.

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): So, via mutual agreement you can always exchange seats if you want. Please proceed.

Hon. Chefman Njoroge: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, next time I will seat on your seat, upon mutual agreement. I rise to second the Motion, I am also in the mood of saying happy new year to everyone as we start the new year. Because we might not be here during valentines, for the beautiful ladies in the House, enjoy in advance, and enjoy yourselves.

Mr. Speaker, as I second the Motion, I have two things, one, to tell the members to support the Motion, reason being that the recommendations and observations of the Committee despite the challenges that have been mentioned by my Chairperson, I think now we are seeing the future of Murang'a in terms of planning and development. It is only through planning, Mr. Speaker, we can achieve development and through development, we start growing and this will again inspire people whereby job creation will be there, order will be there in terms of planning from industrialisation to farming and any other thing that will make sure that Murang'a becomes a great County. So, I will request the members that by having this, and especially with my neighbour here, member for Kambiti, that area has been marginalised for long, with the improvement of that road and the now new strategic Urban Development Pan for that area, then I think Murang'a is expanding. It is not centralised; it will become the next big city and the next big County in the Republic of Kenya. I think, if members pass it, job opportunities, expansion and even migration of people to other places will happen because of the opportunities that will be there. And I think this will assist us and help Murang'a County. If you look at the development

plan in Sagana, it is only in Murang'a where on this side there is no development. Sagana has already developed and if we are not careful and with this, it will create revenue collection which we are looking for Murang'a County because opportunities will be there and that is why Kirinyaga is growing largely in terms of revenue and development. So, I think this is an opportunity in this Hon. House that we will also be on record despite all the challenges we are going through, we will be in record that we have done something which Murang'a people will be mighty and great. I urge Hon. Members to support the Motion. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): Thank you Hon. Chefman, Members, I now propose the question.

(Question Proposed)

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): The Floor is now open for debate. Hon. Sharleen.

Hon. Sharleen Wambui: Thank you so very much Hon. Speaker, I am a Member of this great Assembly and I am here, first of all, to support the Motion that the Hon. Chairperson of the Lands Committee has read to us. My reason for supporting this Motion is because we have seen Murang'a County grow for the last two years under the governance of our great Governor. Previously, for the last 10 years since devolution, Murang'a County, unfortunately, did not have any development track. The reason I urge all the Hon. Members to support this Motion is because without proper planning, Murang'a County is going to have what we call very small local kind of shopping centers. But if we support this Motion, take a case in instance, Kenol, that has really grown, nobody foresaw how much Kenol would grow as a town.

I have walked through Kenol severally because we all use that road when we are all accessing *bunge* (Assembly) here and everyone will agree with me that the Municipality of Kenol is very much disorganized. Nobody knows where the sewer lines are, nobody knows where the allocations of recreational centers are but I believe that if we pass this Motion today, we will have a more and better organized municipal in Kenol. And not only in Kenol, where I also come from, Kangari Ward, when you visit Kangari during the market days, you will not know which is the road, which place is assigned for sewer lines, which place is assigned for what. I think right now as a County because we are making towards making Murang'a County a city in the future, we need proper planning.

If we do not have a well-planned County, we are going to have issues of we have seen when there is a lot of flooding, places like Kenol they flood a lot, places like Kangari market they flood a lot, and the people selling in the markets have to vacate those places but I believe with proper planning, we are going to have an agenda and a blue print of how our towns should be. We should come out from the mentality of backwardness; of having small towns all over Murang'a town. I mean, Murang'a town is also known for having the smallest roundabout in Africa. We are trying to disambiguate some of theories of coming up with a modern and urban municipal for Murang'a County to be on the blueprint and I think because we have political goodwill and we have great brains in this great Assembly to make this happen, we can make it happen even if it has not happened in the last ten years. I think it is time for Murang'a County to have a plan for the future because when you look at the proximity of Murang'a County to Nairobi, it is so close yet the proximity of a place like Kisumu to Nairobi is so far yet Kisumu is said to be one of the cleanest Counties and especially the CBDs in Kenya. And when you look at the proximity of Kisumu and Murang'a, I believe Murang'a we even have an advantage of distance and time. So, I urge all the Hon. Members to support this Motion because also in the Report we have seen that during the planning there are going to be tracks whereby there is going to be an issue of supporting climate change and stuff like that. So, Members should support this Motion so that we can have a better and cleaner Murang'a County. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): Thank you Hon. Sharleen. Hon. Wairagu.

Hon. Edwin Wairagu: Thank you Hon. Speaker, I stand to support the Motion, first and foremost, but also with some rider but I also want to be guided in a matter of law. Is it really practical to have an Order Paper today yet we lay the Paper, we move the notice of Motion and move the Motion as well? I think it is always good to set precedence in terms of law because we are law makers here. I believe that this is not a Supplementary Order Paper. My little knowledge tells me that a Supplementary Order Paper has to go the way we are doing here. And just a disclaimer, I said that I support the Motion because it is really good but also in terms of the procedures, the practicability and even operationalization of the Standing Orders, it is good to be in tandem with what we are supposed to do. Otherwise, as it is, to my little knowledge, it may not augur well if we are the people who are to protect the rule of law and to follow the guidelines laid down there because it is very clear in the statue and what have you.

Second, having said that I am also concerned that it is a very good thing that we can embrace all of us. But also, I have seen that if we talk about the law according to the County Governments Act and our Honourable Chair mentioned it Chapter 48 subsection 17 (12) it clearly says about the devolution and how the things should be devolved so that everybody and every part of this County can enjoy the cake. In that regard I am just concerned about Mathioya and Kangema because the concentration here is distributed towards the south. Perhaps when we sit down next time let us also think about the urban development plans to these areas like Mathioya, like Kangema. Because these are the areas with meaningful development. If you go to areas like Kiria-ini there is a lot of pollution there and there are a lot of people. It is really densely populated. And being densely populated we also need to have some urban planning done there. We go to Kangema the same. Those areas of concern should be taken care of.

Again, my good friend Honourable Chair, talked about Article 176 of the Constitution. I want to put my argument about that and I want to say that it is prudent enough that if and only if we also got the materials that we can have a conversation with these materials we are discussing. This is a pertinent thing; this is an issue which cannot be wished away. We have to internalize every detail A to Z, but if I look at my table, on my table I have got only an Order Paper. I do not have the materials. And if we talk about the decentralization let even the knowledge be decentralized. And this knowledge is to know what we are discussing about, what we are talking about. We have no information we are trying now to grasp what the Honourable Chair was trying to explain. But since it was a pertinent issue, it was there last year, issue of these papers we should have them.

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): Proceed.

Hon. Edwin Wairagu: Thank you Hon. Chair.

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): I always consult and that doesn't have to stop you.

Hon. Edwin Wairagu: Okay.

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): We are always in consultations, so proceed.

Hon. Edwin Wairagu: Thank you. As I was saying Hon. Speaker, we need to have these documents. If for example these documents as it is, the Motion itself it affects not only Murang'a people but republic of Kenya. Not only republic of Kenya but everybody else. An elected member of this House we do not have information. Even if we are going to pass it and pass it

unanimously, what are we passing? It is only what we have heard but we do not have information, we have not gotten the nitty gritty of this information.

When we talk about spatial plan Hon. Speaker, it is always good to know that it is Murang'a County Spatial Plan and integrated strategic urban development plan. Those are two unique things. We have Murang'a County Spatial Plan and Integrated Strategic Urban Development Plan. Therefore, we need to have the information at hand so that whatever I am passing I know I am passing this. Because when we talk about the spatial, when we talk about integrated, I should know were the NEMA people, the issue environmental assessment, how as it done and how is it affecting the people around that area. How is the issue of sewerage, how is the issue of market, how are they made.

Therefore, let us not assume that we know all these things. Let us have the information at our fingertips. We have these materials because we will be able to refer. But Honourable Speaker, I am there to support the motion as it is because it is of benefit to our community. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): Hon. Machigo.

Hon. Charles Machigo: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker, I stand to support the Motion on Murang'a spatial and integrated strategic development plan. The adoption of this spatial plan is long overdue. It was initiated when we started our Municipality back in 2019. And Mr. Speaker these documents have been live and attended since 2019. So Mr. Speaker, it has been general requirement in order to attract our development partner for funding and as well is a requirement within Kenya urban support program. With this kind of program, we will also be able to attract our local investors to our urban centres.

Mr. Speaker, I beg my colleagues and myself being a former member of Municipality, I request Honourable Members to support this Report in order to spur well organized development in above mentioned urban centres. Mr. Speaker, I support the Motion. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): Mover you can respond.

Hon. Morris Ngunu: Thank you Hon. Speaker, thank you for catching my eye. Mr. Speaker, I rise to support the Motion. One, it is a very good Motion for this Assembly, it is a necessity and that is what we need. Nevertheless, Mr Speaker I want to raise a point of concern regarding this Assembly Mr Speaker. Reason? This is the only platform that I have to put it across. Mr Speaker, if you look at the Order Paper of today, it is different from what was sent on

WhatsApp group. I do not know who ratified that Mr Speaker and as what the chair said when we started the Assembly, we have a very big concern towards the running of this Assembly. We need to be serious, the low that we have gone Mr Speaker, is the most absurd thing I have seen Mr. Speaker and I want to be on record.

Number two Mr Speaker is if what was sent yesterday is different from what we get today Mr. Speaker, what will stop us into waking up and getting an Order Paper that is impeaching a Governor Mr. Speaker? And as what chair for Lands has said, I also do not have confidence in how this Assembly is being run Mr. Speaker and it is high time we rise to the occasion and get serious with what we are doing. If you look at this Order Paper, nobody has the report of what is being read Mr Speaker. What are we discussing? Are zombies? is this the low that we can get Mr Speaker? I rise to support Mr Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): Respond. You are on now. Just a moment. You are audible.

Hon. Gerald Wambugu: Thank you Mr Speaker, as I stand to respond I wish to acknowledge the good remarks that were made by my colleague, Hon. Sharleen about the rapid growth of Murang'a including towns like Kenol. I would like to put it on record that as we speak Mr. Speaker, that we have a very good sewer line in Kenol. Although we do not have enough recreational parks, due to poor planning, the same thing happens in Kangari town because we need to be a bit serious when it comes to planning matters. On the smallest round about in Africa, I think that one should be a tourist attraction. Mr. speaker I also want to respond to what Hon. Machigo and Hon Morris have just said and I think I will respond it together with what Hon Wairagu has just said. This document has been there because the Municipalities were created sometimes in 2019 and these documents that are before the Assembly today Mr. Speaker they are steering about the ten year plan. Mr. Speaker, we have three Municipalities; that is Murang'a, Kangari and Kenol. We have a number of urban centres Mr. Speaker and I believe every journey is started by one step. So I think it was not in order for Hon Wairagu to mention something like Mathioya, Kangema before enquiring from the Committee what is on our desk because to me that is like inciting other members who come from Murang'a North. Mr Speaker, previously I have been hearing people talking of Murang'a North, Murang'a West ... but I know all of us come from Murang'a County. So, if you start from West, East, down, up, bottom, it does not matter because we are dealing with people from Murang'a. Mr. Speaker, Hon Wairagu has

also mentioned about materials, it is important for me to respond by saying that I do not work, I am the Chair Lands Committee. I am not the County Assembly clerk Hon. Wairagu. You should be informed that is not my work, you should ask the relevant office Mr Speaker.

Thank you, Mr Speaker. I urge the members to support the Motion. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): Thank you. You are persuading Members remember, not reprimanding them. So, Hon. Members I think the debate is done.

(Question put and agreed to)

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): Next order.

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker (Hon. Johnson Mukuha): Hon. Members there being no other Business, this House now stands adjourned until this afternoon Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 2:30 p.m.

The House rose at 11:27 a.m.