## REPUBLIC OF KENYA MURANG'A COUNTY ASSEMBLY

### THE HANSARD

Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018

The House met at 2:35 p.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki) in the Chair]

# PRAYER **PETITIONS**

REPORT ON PUBLIC PETITIONON FAILURE TO PUT UP A PROPER DRAINAGE SYSTEM ON THE ROAD NEIGHBOURING, MUKAMI'S PLAZA OFF KANGEMA ROAD

The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki): Chairman Public Works, Roads and Transport Committee?

(Hon. Flasia Nduta rose on behalf of the Chairperson)

**Hon. Flasia Nduta:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, I beg to lay the following Paper on the Table of the Assembly today Tuesday 20<sup>th,</sup> November 2018;-

That the report on public Petition by citizens of Kenya St. Mary village in Township Ward on failure to put up a proper drainage system on the road neighbouring, Mukami's Plaza off Kangema Road in Township Ward, Kiharu. I have tabled this report on public Petition---

(Hon. Peter Mweri rose on a point of order)

The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki): Point of order

**Hon. Peter Mweri**: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I would like to raise alarm on dress code of Hon. Duncan Muturi and Hon. Francis Kibe. Hon. Duncan Muturi is signalling to me that he has a problem.

The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki): Do the honourable thing.

**Hon. Flasia Nduta:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, I have tabled this report on Petition by the citizens of Kenya St. Mary village Township Ward on failure to put up a proper drainage system on the road neighbouring, Mukami Plaza off Kangema Road in Township Ward, Kiharu constituency, pursuant to standing order 216 (2). The Standing Order provision requires that the Committee after consideration of the Petition to respond to the Petitioners by way of a report addressed to them and laid on the Table of the Assembly.

**Hon. Flasia Nduta:** Mr. Speaker, the Petition from the citizens of St. Mary's village in Township Ward regarding poor drainage system on the road neighbouring Mukami Plaza, off Kangema road, was committed to the Committee on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2018 and the Committee was supposed to Table a Report out of the Petition consideration on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018, which was the date of expiry of 60 days. I tender my apologies to this House and the Petitioners for failing to meet the above deadline due to the following challenges encountered by the Committee;

1. The Committees never held sittings during the long recess, from 22<sup>nd</sup> August to 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018 and, therefore, missed four Committee sittings.

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- 2. The Committee scheduled field visit on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018 regarding the Petition was postponed.
- 3. The Committee had to undertake a second field visit to St. Mary's village due to contradicting submissions issued by the witnesses.
- 4. The County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Transport and Infrastructure failed to appear before the Committee meeting scheduled on 24<sup>th</sup> October and 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018 to issue a way forward on the matter.
- 5. Prioritization on discussion of the Department's Budget Estimates.
- 6. Consideration of the Report on Public Petition from Kiharu residents on destruction of the tarmac road.
- 7. Committee's one week training workshop on its mandates from 5<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> August 2018.

Mr. Speaker, allow me to thank you for granting this Committee extension of time on consideration of the Petition twice, this is due to the fact that the Committee felt heavily indebted, as it had promised the Petitioners that an amicable solution to the problems presented in the Petition would be addressed within reasonable time. The Committee received submissions from the Petitioners which were recorded and outlined in page 11, 15, 16 and 17 of the Report, which I believe is in your file. The Committee then conducted a field visit to the actual site on where there was poor drainage system. This was in order to verify on the ground claims made by the Petitioners—

**The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki):** Order! Order! I would like to be clear; are you asking for extension of time or are you actually Tabling the Report? What you seem to be doing is to Table a Report.

Hon. Flasia Nduta: Mr. Speaker, I am Tabling a Report.

The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki): Okay, because I thought you had said you have not had enough time.

**Hon. Flasia Nduta:** We have had enough time and I am tabling the recommendations in a few seconds. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki): Okay, go on.

**Hon. Flasia Nduta:** Mr. Speaker the Committee later invited the CEC Transport and Infrastructure to give a way forward. The executive member failed to honour the Committee invitations on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> October due to other official engagement but later issued a written recommendation on 7<sup>th</sup> of November 2018. The recommendation was that the poor drainage system at St. Mary's village Njogu-ini could only be solved by installation of culverts along the project road.

Mr. Speaker, the Committee generated findings out of inquiry as listed on page 19 of the report. The recommendations were thereafter generated out of the findings as follows;

- 1. The CEC member for Transport and Infrastructure should ensure that silt deposited by storm water at the nearby land parcels which is adjacent to access road is excavated and deposited away to avert future culvert blockage.
- 2. The CEC member for Transport and Infrastructure should ensure that proper culvert is installed along the access road adjacent to Mukami Plaza, this is in order to facilitate drainage of storm water, also to ensure that the road surface with depression is not eroded away by the said water.

3. The two private developers with land adjacent to the access roads namely Mr. Zacharia Wambiri and Ms. Salome Nyambura as per agreement they made during the field visit should construct a waterway on their properties to drain away the storm water.

**Hon. Flasia Nduta:** Mr. Speaker, it is the Committee's hope that the Petitioners prayer will be answered through the generated recommendations of this report

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki): Thank you, as you know Honourable members this is a Petition and not a Motion. According to the Standing Orders, whenever a Petition is committed to a sectoral Committee, the Committee shall in not more than 60 calendar days from the time of reading the prayer respond to the Petitioner by way of a report addressed to the Petitioner or Petitioners and laid on the Table of the Assembly. No debate on or in relation to the report shall be allowed, but the Speaker may in exceptional circumstances allow comments or observations in relation to the petition for not more than 20 minutes.

Since no exception or circumstances have been alluded, we are ending the debate there and the report will be submitted to the petitioners.

#### **STATEMENTS**

### RESPONSE ON OPERATIONALIZATION OF KAGIRA DISPENSARY

**Hon. Peter Githuka:** Thank you Mr Speaker Sir, the Health Committee was overloaded with a lot of work, we did not get time, so kindly give us 14 more days to prepare a comprehensive report on this.

**The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki):**Hon. Murigi, what are your comments about that? **Hon. Moses Murigi:** I will give them enough time to do a thorough investigation because those people are in trouble, I request that they do a thorough job. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki): Thank you, we are very generous, next

(Applause)

**The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki):** The House is adjourned, until tomorrow 2:30 p.m. thank you.

The House rose at 2:48 p.m.