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Mr. Speaker Sir, I beg to lay on the table of this Assembly today, Tuesday, March 22, 2016;

The Finance and Economic Planning Committee report on the Murang'a County Annual development Plan for the FY 2016/2017

Hon. Joseph Kimani Gitau, MCA

(Chairperson, Finance and Economic Planning Committee)

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MURANG'A COUNTY ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE FY
2016/2017



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1.0 BACKGROUND

The Finance and Economic Planning Committee is established under Standing Order No.187 and is tasked among others to perform the following functions:

- a) To investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned ministries and departments;
- b) To study the program and policy objectives of ministries and departments and the effectiveness of their implementation;
- c) To study and review all the legislation referred to it;
- d) To study, assess and analyze the relative success of the Ministries and departments measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives.
- e) To make reports and recommendations to the House as often as possible, including recommendation of proposed legislation.
- f) To examine Bills related to the national budget, evaluate tax estimates and economic policies in the County.

The Finance and Economic Planning Committee as currently constituted comprises of the following Members:-

1. Hon. Joseph Kimani Gitau - **Chairperson**
2. Hon. Samuel Dishon Wandia - **Vice Chairperson**
3. Hon. Peter Irungu Kihungi, MCA
4. Hon. Duncan Mwangi Njuguna, MCA
5. Hon. Jane Wanjiku Ndegwa, MCA
6. Hon. Beth Wanjiku Ngugi, MCA
7. Hon. Rosemary Wakuthii Njine, MCA
8. Hon. Charles Mwangi Kirigwi, MCA
9. Hon. John Njoroge Gitau, MCA

Pursuant to section 126 (3) of Public Finance Management Act 2012, the County Executive Member responsible for Finance, IT and Economic Planning, shall, not later than the 1st September in each year, submit the development plan to the County

Assembly for its approval, and send a copy to the Commission on Revenue Allocation and the National Treasury.

The said Executive Member submitted the Annual Development plan for FY 2016/17 on September 15, 2015. However, the said plan did not include all Ward programs proposed initially and the proposed new ward projects. In view of the foregoing, the plan was returned to the County Executive Member responsible for Finance, IT and Economic Planning for resubmission. The planning section worked hand in hand with the Committees' secretariat from the County Assembly to ensure that all programs that had been prioritized in the County Integrated Development Plan were factored in the Annual Development Plan and the format of doing the same was in line with the provisions of Article 220 (2) of the Constitution.

The County Executive Member responsible for Finance, IT and Economic Planning resubmitted the Murang'a County Annual Development Plan for the FY 2016/2017.

2.0 OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

The committee set out the following objectives:

- a) To establish Compliance of Annual Development plan with Article 220 (2) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, section 126 (3) of Public Finance Management Act 2012 and the County Integrated Development Plan
- b) To examine in details the programs that were infused into the Annual Development Plan for FY 2016/2017

3.0 METHODOLOGY

The committee employed the following techniques in gathering relevant information:

- a) Meeting with the Director of Planning, Murang'a County Government
- b) Scrutinized in detail and discussed the Annual Development Plan for FY 2016/2017

4.0 FINDINGS

4.1 Compliance of Annual Development plan for the FY 2016/2017 with Article 220 (2) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 section 126 (3) of Public Finance Management Act 2012 and the County Integrated Development Plan.

The committee found out that:-

4.1.1 The County Executive Committee Member in charge of Finance, IT and Economic Planning had previously not complied with Compliance of Annual Development plan

with Article 220 (2) of the Constitution of Kenya, 210 , section 126 (3) of Public Finance Management Act 2012 and the County Integrated Development Plan.

This is due to the fact that the format that is prescribed for under Article 220 (2) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 was not followed. However, upon resubmission of the said plan, the Article was observed.

4.1.2 The County Executive Committee Member in charge of Finance, IT and Economic Planning had previously not complied with the County Integrated Development Plan in the sense that key programs that were inscribed in the County Integrated Development Plan that was development during the inception of the County Government.

4.2 The programs that have been infused into the Annual Development Plan for the FY 2016/2017

4.2.1 The committee observed that various program and projects were included in the Annual Development Plan. The said programs are domiciled under different departments in accordance with the priorities set in the County Integrated Development Plan and the County Fiscal Strategy Paper. Notably each ward had earmarked projects to the tune of Kshs. 17 million all of which had been itemized.

Further, each ward had earmarked water projects amounting to Kshs. 10 million. The former and the latter were aimed at creating equity across the County while enhance service delivery to the populace within the County as well as decentralizing development. Programs in respect of the above stated funds are underway and as a matter of fact, many programs might not be undertaken in this financial year.

In light of the foregoing, most of the Assembly Members felt that despite the fact that the Finance and Economic Planning Committee had requested them severally to submit projects for their respect Wards, they recommended that the projects earmarked in the Annual development Plan for the FY 2015/2016 be refactored in the Annual development Plan for the FY 2016/2017 since only few projects have been advertised. Nevertheless, Members of the County Assembly added more projects for consideration during implementation of the Budget for the FY 2016/2017 to their projects which annexed to this report.

All the programs mentioned above are the key priorities that have been set in the County Fiscal Strategy Paper for FY 2016/2017. The move to include them in the Annual

Development Plan and the Budget was a road map towards realizing economic growth as well as complying with the provisions of the Constitution and the Public Finance Management Act 2012. The Annual Development Plan 2016 enshrining the Ward projects, water projects across the wards and all other departmental programs is annexed to this report.

4.3 The Sectoral Committees recommendations on the Annual Development Plan for the FY 2016/2017

Sectoral Committees scrutinized the Annual Development Plan for the FY 2016/2017 and made the following recommendations:

Lands and Physical Planning Committee

The Committee noted that most of the projects/programs as contained in the Compendium of projects for the FY 2015/2016 will roll over to the FY 2016/2017, since they are progressive and are being done in phases depending on the allocations.

Further, it stated that the development Budget for the Land, Housing and Physical Planning Department was significantly reviewed downwards from Kshs. 103,280 million to Kshs. 30 Million, thus affecting the execution of most programs. The 2016/2017 Annual Development Plan will include most of the incomplete and undone projects/programs in the Budget and the 2015/2016 ADP.

Also, the Committee observed that Department of Land, Housing and Physical Planning has factored in allocation of 1 Million per Ward, (35 million) for compensation of land owners who give up part of their land for access roads for the good of the community, where access roads had not been provided for. These cases are experienced in almost all wards and this allocation will be a good start to solve such disputes of compensation. Initial proposal was 2 Million per Ward, but the department may begin with 35 million, this financial Year.

The Department also requested for consideration of the department in allocating Kshs. 24 million (200,000) per Month, for establishment of a land dispute committee, that will be sitting once a week handling land related disputes, so as to avoid numerous land court cases.

Finance and Planning Committee

The Committee observed that production studio and radio broadcast were not priorities of the Finance department and as such the said programs should be scrapped.

The Committee recommended for the infusing of resources to should fast track automation of local revenue systems to enhance County revenue, civic education especially on the Budgets, development plans and revenue legislations.

Governance Committee

The committee on Governance, Labour, Social Welfare, Justice and Legal Affairs undertook scrutiny of the ADP 2016/2017 Financial Year and derived the following comments; That the department of Public Service and the County Public Service Board should ensure implementation of all the programmes and projects in the ADP for 2016/17 Financial Year, the programmes outlined in the Budget for 2016/17 FY should be in line with the ones contained in ADP 2016/17 FY and that the County Budget for 2016/17 FY should facilitate implementation of the programmes outlined in the ADP 2016/17 FY

Transport and infrastructure Committee

The committee on Public Works, Roads and Transport undertook scrutiny of the ADP 2016/2017 Financial Year and derived the following comments; that the County Government had expressed commitments towards undertaking of various projects outlined in 2016/2017 Annual Development Plan. This was through an advertisement in the Daily Nation newspaper that invited bids to undertake various projects in regard to road construction, that on programme regarding construction of inter-County roads, the committee indicated that implementation of the same should be expedited. This is due to the fact that the idea was the brain child of a tripartite committee whose membership comprised of representation of various County assemblies. These Counties are currently undertaking the project while others have reported successful completion of the same and that the allocation of funds to various projects is adequate. The projects should be fairly distributed in all the Wards to realize sustainable development across the County.

Education and technical Training Committee

The Committee having seized of the opportunity to discuss the above matter, members of the Education and Child welfare, Research, Information Technology and E-Government Committee in a sitting held on January 27, 2016 discussed the ADP for 2016/2017 and unanimously made and adopted the following recommendations to be taken into account in the ADP, That the Bursary fund should be ranked as Priority No. 1 not 15, that the bursary Fund should also be increased from Kshs 72 Million to 105 Million so that each

ward would get Kshs 3 Million, that there is repetition of projects for Youth Polytechnics as they appear both on page 7-8 and then presented again on page 9-10 under the sub-heading; Department: Youth Polytechnics(YPS). The ones on page 7-8 for Youth Polytechnics should therefore be deleted so that projects for Youth Polytechnics appear alone without combining them with those for ECDS, that connection and wiring of 3 polytechnics should be changed to; "All polytechnics not connected with electricity in the County". This will ensure that all polytechnics in the County have power and that the budget for connection of electricity should be increased from Kshs 1 Million to 5 Million and names of all those polytechnics without electricity included in the ADP, that under Renovation of Polytechnics, the same should include the following additional polytechnics

- a) Kamahuha Youth Polytechnic
- b) Kieni Youth Polytechnic in Gatari Ward
- c) Kariua Youth Polytechnic
- d) Kiamunaga Youth Polytechnic

That the budget for renovation of YPs should be increased from 20 to 25 Million and specific names of the above YPs included in the ADP and that provision of exams should be streamlined so that the committee is able to know who the providers of this service are before approving the budget.

Health and sanitation Committee

The Committee recommended that each sub-county should have a hospital to improve access to Health Services-They further proposed for additional of funds to cater for one dispensary in each ward, that policy papers to be provided for establishment of alcohol and substance abuse Rehabilitation Center and that the amount allocated to cater for Upgrade Ngelelya dispensary to a Level 4 Hospital to improve Health Services and improve access to the Community was too much considering it was allocated almost the same amount in FY 2015/16 and as such more funds should be pumped in that regard.

Youth and social Services Committee

The Committee recommended that viable programs that are likely to empower the youth should be developed. Further, the Committee observed that cultural hubs in the County should be rehabilitated to conserve the County rich traditions and in turn generate more local revenue.

Water and Environment Committee

The Committee noted that the department should be particular on which damp sites to be rehabilitated. For example members were of the opinion that Karii damp site should be prioritized, that it should be made clear on where exactly the incinerators will be placed. i.e. the specific beneficially towns within the County be mentioned, that Eco toilets should be built in every ward, that bamboo trees should be planted along river Ndurumo in Mathioya sub-county that four refuse collectors should be purchased for the County, that garbage receptacles should be placed in every major market in then County. Further the Committee recommended that priority should be given to solar energy related projects and that more funds should be allocated to irrigation projects.

Agriculture and Livestock Committee

The Committee proposed priority programs of the Departmental in the Annual Development Plan for FY 2016/2017. More importantly are promotion of innovative extension services (Hybrid T&V; use of ICT tools to enhance farmer coverage, reporting and feedback), soil and water conservation, improvement of the mango and avocado value chain, among others. The Committee in consultation with the department of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries agreed on all programs that should be funded in the financial year 2016/2017, which is annexed to this report.

Trade, Commerce and Industry

The Committee proposed that more funds should be allocated to trade development, investment conferences among other key programs. Further, the Committee recommended that programs should be aligned with the economic needs of the County and the County Integrated development Plan

5.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

The committee made the following recommendations:-

5.1 That the consequent annual development plans should be submitted in time pursuant to section 126 (3) of Public Finance Management Act 2012 and in such format as prescribed under Article 220 (2) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010.

5.2 That key programs as approved in the County Integrated Development Plan, the County Fiscal Strategy Paper 2016 and on the Annual Development Plan for the FY 2016/2017 should be strictly adhered to in the Budget Estimates for the FY 2016/2017 .

5.3 That all County Departments should strive to ensure that programs are prioritized so as to ensure that the County realizes it's development agenda;

5.4 That the County Government should use the Annual Development plan as a basis for allocating resources in the Budget and that resources should be allocated to programs in order of priority;

5.5 That all programs that are earmarked at the wards should be forwarded to the County Planning section so as to ensure timely preparation of the plan and allow for time for review by all stakeholders before submission to the County Assembly for approval.

5.6 That the County Executive Member for Finance, IT and Planning should submit the Annual Development Plan early enough to ensure that County Assembly deliberates on the same and makes recommendations thereto before September 30 every year pursuant to the provisions of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012.

6.0 CONCLUSION

The Committee is grateful to the Office of the Speaker, the Office of the Clerk of the County Assembly and the Committee secretariat for the support received as it discharged its mandate of examining the Annual Development Plan for the FY 2016/2017.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

It is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege, on behalf of the Finance and Economic Planning Committee to table this Report and recommend it to the House for adoption.









Signed

The Hon. Joseph Kimani Gitau, MCA
Chairperson, Finance and Economic Planning Committee

Date **March, 2016**

7.0 ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

The following Committee Members adopted the report:

- 1) Hon. Joseph Kimani Gitau, MCA. 
- 2) Hon. Samuel Dishon Wandia, MCA. 
- 3) Hon. Peter Irungu Kihungi, MCA 
- 4) Hon. Beth Wanjiku Ngugi, MCA 
- 5) Hon. Rosemary Wakuthii Njine, MCA 
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- 8) Hon. Charles Mwangi Kirigwi, MCA 
- 9) Hon. Joseph Kimani Machiri, MCA 