

## COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KISUMU



### COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KISUMU

## **THE HANSARD**

*Official Report*

### SECOND ASSEMBLY – FIFTH SESSION

Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2021

**House met in the Main Chamber at 9:00 a.m.**

**(The Speaker (Hon. Elisha Jack Oraro) in the Chair)**

### **PRAYERS**

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Mr. Clerk take us through the Order Paper of the day.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Next order!

### **COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR**

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, welcome to this morning session. Yesterday the Speaker gave a direction to the Leader of Majority to constitute the House Business Committee alongside the Selection Committee. I also want to remind the Members of the communication I made when you came from the Long Recess on the pending reports. I can confirm that only four House Committees have submitted their reports and I want to urge the remaining committees to do so in the course of this week. Otherwise, I want to believe that this session might be different from what we had earlier.

Our morning sessions on Wednesdays which start from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. has officially resumed and we shall also have a sitting on Wednesdays in the afternoon from 2:00 p.m. Our

sittings on Tuesdays and Thursdays remains the same. That is from 2:00 p.m. that is a total of four sessions per week. As we agreed earlier, let us purpose attend.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Next order!

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Yes, Leader of Majority.

**The Leader of Majority** (Hon. Onyango): Thank you so much Hon. Speaker. Allow me first to welcome Members back from the Long Recess. I want to believe that we have come back more invigorated to transact the business of the House.

Mr. Speaker, we are supposed to engage the public in matters of Civic Education so that we can popularize the BBI (Constitution of Kenya (Amendment) Bill, 2020) so that the public may understand it better. Before the outbreak of COVID pandemic, the Assembly was going to the *mashinani* through our initiative of Assembly Mashinani. I want to indulge you Mr. Speaker that, you find it appropriate that the Assembly resumes that exercise so that you may order that as soon as possible we resume that programme so that among other things we can engage with and enlighten our constituents on what BBI Referendum entails.

The Selection Committee has made some changes that will be communicated shortly so that we give committee sittings to our new member, Hon. Samuel Dede. I want to appreciate the members that voluntarily agreed to relinquish their committees so that our brother can be formally engaged in committee sessions. That will be done as soon as it is practicable. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Leader of Majority, is the report ready?

**The Leader of Majority** (Hon. Onyango): Mr. Speaker, the report is ready and we are ready to table it as soon as...

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): If the report is ready then, I want to instruct the clerk to consider it for tabling in the afternoon and give you Notice for tomorrow.

**The Leader of Majority** (Hon. Onyango): I'm most obliged Mr. Speaker.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): So, Mr. Clerk you can cause a Supplementary Order Paper for tomorrow.

**The Leader of Majority** (Hon. Onyango): Thank you so much for your direction.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Next Order!

#### MOTION

ADOPTION OF THE ANNUAL HOUSE BUSINESS CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR 2021 BY  
LEADER OF MAJORITY, HON. KENNETH ONYANGO.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Yes, Leader of Majority.

**The Leader of Majority** (Hon. Onyango): Thank you again Mr. Speaker. Ordinarily when the Assembly begins a new session, we usually give order of business which entails the entire session, this is pursuant to the provisions of Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders No's 25 and 26. Mr. Speaker, allow me therefore to say the following;

- The 5<sup>th</sup> session of this Assembly will run from Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021 to 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. As ordinarily stated in our Standing Orders, the Assembly Sessions will run on Tuesday afternoons, Wednesday Mornings and afternoons, and Thursday afternoons.
- The Short Recess, Mr. Speaker will be from the Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2021 to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021.
- Mr. Speaker, the second part of the 5<sup>th</sup> session of this Assembly will begin on Tuesday 20<sup>nd</sup> April, 2021 to Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2021.

I just want to reiterate that, the sittings will be as I have mentioned above.

There will be a recess from Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 to Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2021. This will be the Long Recess. Then the third part of the Fifth Session will commence on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 to Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. Again the sittings will be as stated in our Standing Orders. Mr. Speaker there will be a Short Recess between the periods of Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021 to 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

Finally, the Fifth Session Part IV, will commence on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 to Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021. Again the sittings will be guided by what is provided for in our Standing Orders. The Long Recess for this Fifth Session will begin on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2021 to Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2022.

Mr. Speaker, allow me to ask the Leader of Minority to second the Annual House Calendar of the Assembly for this Fifth Session, thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Yes, the Leader of Minority.

**Leader of Minority** (Hon. Oiko): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. I do support the Annual Calendar of the Fifth Session as presented by The Leader of Majority because this is what will guide the Assembly. Without the calendar being properly tabulated, the Assembly will find it difficult to execute its work. I appeal to Hon. Members to pass the calendar for guiding us as we navigate the work of the Assembly during this calendar year. Once again, I beg to support.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Members, now that the County Assembly of Kisumu Second Assembly Fifth Session Annual Calendar 2021 has been presented by the Leader of Majority, and seconded by the Leader of Minority. I want to propose a question that it is open for debate.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Erick Agolla, Chairperson, Implementation Committee and MCA South West Kisumu Ward.

**Hon. Agolla:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I want to take this opportunity to thank the House Business Committee and the leadership of this House for availing the Annual House Calendar that will take us throughout this fifth Session of this August House. Mr. Speaker, the Assembly is a House of order and our main role is to ensure that we ratify the dates and pass Bills and laws that will run this County. It is in order that we must adhere to the statutes and the Standing Orders of this House so that, any business that will be transacted in this House is not challenged in any manner or in any way. I want to plead with Hon. Members that we adopt this Annual House Calendar so that this Assembly can move on and execute what we are called by God to do. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Khan.

**Hon. Khan:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to support the second Assembly fifth Annual Calendar for the year 2021. Mr. Speaker, I would like to say that in fact with a proper calendar which designates the dates will enable us as Hon. Members to have our own diaries to make sure when the sessions are on we are time bound accordingly so that we do not mix them up and especially when we are either on Short Recess or Long Recess. This will enable us plan on when to visit our constituents so that we can make development and Devolution to be a success. With those few remarks I rise to support.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Ogutu.

**Hon. Ogutu:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to support this Calendar of the Assembly. I believe that, this is not a new thing every time we come from a Long Recess, this has been a tradition of this House to at least make a calendar and at the same time adopt it. I believe that as the Leader of Majority said everything which has been written here and we have to work with a schedule. We as Hon. Members, this will give us more time to at least plan for what you are supposed to do I am also thankful that the Wednesday morning sessions are back because some people have been lamenting about it. The only thing I would like to advise Members is that, we should take our work serious so that we can propel this Assembly to the next level. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Yes Chief Whip.

**The Chief Whip** (Hon. Misachi): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Going by the mood of the House and the way that issue was tackled well in the House Business Committee that took place yesterday I wish to call the mover to reply.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Leader of Majority.

**Leader of Majority** (Hon. Kenneth Onyango): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I want to appreciate Members for supporting the Assembly Calendar for the Fifth Session. As Hon. Ogutu has said, I

want to plead with the Hon. Members that we should get serious. We have resumed our full sittings post COVID and as the Speaker intimated earlier and directed that the Wednesday Morning sittings shall now be on as was initially, we have a lot of businesses to transact in this House and therefore it would be imperative that we attend the Assembly sittings and in good numbers so that the Businesses of this House can be properly and prudently transacted. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Thank you Leader of Majority and the Hon. Members. Now that the Second Assembly Fifth Session Annual Calendar 2021 has been presented by the Leader of Majority, seconded by the Leader of Minority, Proposed for a question and debated; it is time that I put a question for the adoption of the same.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): The Second Assembly Fifth Session Annual Calendar 2021 is hereby adopted today 17<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 09:41 a.m. and I do direct that the Clerk course Gazettement of the same.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Next Order!

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): There being no any other business to transact, the House stands adjourned to today Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 2.30 p.m.

*(House rose at 9.45 p.m.)*

*Addendum*

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