

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KISUMU



COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KISUMU

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Wednesday 30th November, 2022

House met in the Main Chamber at 2:30 p.m.

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

PRAYER

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

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

PAPERS LAID

REPORT OF THE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE ON THE VETTING OF THE
NOMINEES FOR THE POSITION OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEMBERS

BY

HON. KENNEDY OOKO, MCA, AHERO WARD.

(LEADER OF MAJORITY)

A REPORT OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY SERVICE BOARD ON THE APPOINTMENT
OF THE EXTERNAL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

BY

HON. PAMELA OYOO, MCA, MIGOSI WARD

(VICE-CAHIRPERSON, COUNTY ASSEMBLY SERVICE BOARD)

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

The Leader of Majority (Hon. Ooko, MCA, Ahero Ward): Thank you Honourable Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of the Section 9 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act No. 5 of 2017, read together with the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Order No. 187 (4), I wish to table today Wednesday 30th November, 2022, a report of the Appointments Committee on the Vetting of proposed Nominees for the Position of the County Executive Committee Members. Thank you.

(The Leader of Majority lays before the House the report for consideration)

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, I confirm the receipt of a report of the Appointments Committee on the Vetting of the Proposed Nominees for the Position of the County Executive Committee Members as presented by the Leader of Majority. I direct that this report be considered by the House Business Committee for purposes of scheduling it for debate.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Pamela Oyoo.

Hon. Oyoo (MCA, Migosi Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 4 of the County Assemblies Service Act No. 24 of 2017 (First Schedule), I wish to table today Wednesday 30th November, 2022, a report of the County Assembly Service Board on the Appointment of the External Members of the County Assembly Service Board. Thank you.

(Hon. Oyoo lays before the House the report for consideration)

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, I confirm the receipt of a report of the County Assembly Service Board on the Appointment of the External Members of the County Assembly Service Board as presented by Hon. Pamela Oyoo. I now direct that this report be considered by the House Business Committee for purposes of scheduling it for debate. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Next order!

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

The Leader of Majority (Hon. Ooko, MCA, Ahero Ward): Thank you Honourable Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders No. 45(1), I wish to give a Notice of Motion that this House Approves a Report of the Appointments Committee on the Vetting of the Proposed Nominees for the Position of the County Executive Committee Members. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Pamela Oyoo.

Hon. Oyoo (MCA, Migosi Ward): Thank you Honourable Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders No. 45(1), I wish to give a Notice of Motion that this House Approves a Report of the County Assembly Service Board on the Appointment of the External Members of the County Assembly Service Board. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Thank you. Next order!

MOTION

APPROVAL OF THE RESOLUTION TO PETITION THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ON
COUNTY WARDS EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT FUND

BY

VITALIS K'OMUDHO , MCA, MUHORONI/KORU WARD

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Vitalis K'Omudho .

Hon. K'Omudho (MCA, Muhoroni Koru Ward): Thank you Honourable Speaker. Aware that the Constitution of Kenya under Article 37 and 119 and Standing Order 209 of the County Assembly Standing Orders, provide the right for citizens to petition Authorities or Parliament to consider any matter within its authority, including to enact, amend or repeal any legislation.

Aware, that pursuant to Article 256 of the Constitution of Kenya the Hon. Stephen Mule, MP and the Hon. Gichimu Githinji, MP have presented a Legislative Proposal before the National Assembly to amend Article 204 of the Constitution of Kenya through a parliamentary initiative in order to entrench the National Government Constituencies Development Fund (NGCDF), National Government Affirmative Action Fund (NGAF), the Senate Oversight Fund and the Economic Stimulus and Empowerment Fund in the Constitution. Appreciating, that the proposed amendment will contribute in the advancement of the principle of equity and the acceleration in the development of the Republic as demonstrated by the impact of the recently annulled Constituency Development Fund (CDF) funded projects and programs across Kenya. Recognizing, that current realities show that budgeting and implementation of development projects at the County level tend to be biased leading to skewed distribution of resources resulting in underdevelopment or some wards within a particular County.

That whereas, it has generally been accepted by a majority of Kenyans that the creation and implementation of a County Wards Equitable Development Fund shall guarantee the fulfilment of the objectives of devolution espoused in Article 174 and will in particular allow;

- i. The promotion of equitable development across all Wards in each county.
- ii. Participation of residents of each county in the identification of priority projects.
- iii. Promotion of the decentralization of functions and provision of services by County Governments to the extent that it is efficient and practicable pursuant to Article 176 of the Constitution.

Noting that efforts to create the County Wards Equitable Development Fund have faced many hurdles including annulment of various legislations passed by various Assemblies and inability of the Senate to pass a national legislation on County Wards (Equitable Development) Fund due to constitutional challenges similar to those facing the recently annulled CDF.

That whereas, the legislative proposal presented by the Hon. Stephen Mule, MP and the Hon. Gichimu Githinji. MP which aims to amend Article 204 of the Constitution provides a perfect opportunity to entrench the County Wards Equitable Development Fund alongside the other proposed equity funds in the Constitution

That whereas, under the rules of procedure of Parliament a Bill to amend the Constitution must be considered by both Houses of Parliament having realized the requisite constitutional thresholds, it is prudent that before the National Assembly either considers or refers the proposed Constitutional Amendment Bill to the Senate, the proponents of the Bill or the National Assembly first incorporates the County Wards Equitable Development Fund in the proposed law.

And whereas, all the matters in respect of which this petition is raised are not pending before any court of law or constitutional body and earlier efforts by both the 47 County Assemblies and the

Senate to establish the County Wards Equitable Development Fund by way of legislation have been unsuccessful for reasons stated herein.

Now therefore, I pray that this County Assembly resolves, pursuant to Articles 37 and 119 of the Constitution of Kenya, to petition the National Assembly individually and collectively as the County Assemblies Forum (CAR) to intervene and ensure that the County Wards Equitable Development Fund be incorporated in the proposed Constitutional Amendment Bill before the National Assembly by the Hon. Stephen Mule, MP and the Hon. Gichimu Githinji. MP alongside other proposed funds namely the National Government Constituencies Development Fund (NGCDF), National Government Affirmative Action Fund (NGAAF), the Senate Oversight Fund and the Economic Stimulus and Empowerment Fund either prior to the publication of the said Bill or before it is referred to the Senate in accordance with rules of procedure of Parliament.

That the proposed Constitutional Amendment Bill in amending Article 204 of the Constitution should provide for the following with respect to County wards Equitable Development Fund. That each County Government shall allocate funds comprising of certain percentage of the respective total County's Annual Budget estimates or as shall be advised by the Commission on Revenue Allocation (CRA) during the enactment of the County Allocation or Revenue Act to cater for County Wards Equitable Development Fund. That all monies allocated to County Wards Equitable Development Fund shall be considered as funds allocated to Wards pursuant to Article 206 (2) (c) to be administered in accordance with the provisions of an Act of Parliament that Parliament shall enact a legislation to provide for the administration of the County Wards Equitable Development Fund. May I request Hon. James Omollo to second?

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. James Omollo.

Hon. Omollo (MCA, West Nyakach Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to second the motion as tabled by the Chair.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, now that the Motion to Petition the National Assembly on inclusion of County Wards Equitable Development Fund in the Constitutional Amendments in the on-going process has been presented by Hon. Vitalis K'Omudho and seconded by Hon. James Omollo. I therefore propose that the motion is open for debate.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Onditi.

Hon. Onditi (MCA, Ombeyi Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to support the motion to petition the National Assembly. Today, every Kenyan yearning to become a Member of Parliament in this country. Not because it is a better House than this House but because of the NGCDF. This fund has made it very easy for the Members of Parliament to be seen to be working. The Senate is being seen to be a lower House because there are no funds, they are given to directly implement certain projects in their areas of jurisdiction.

Mr. Speaker, if you look at the legislative framework of this country, the first point of entry for all when there is a problem is the MCA. There is no constituency or county without a ward. It is the MCA that is being called upon whenever there is a problem. This is something that is long overdue and I urge the Members of this House to consider supporting this motion because if by God's will this come to pass then, I am very sure that our wards are going to develop much faster than it is today because you realize that the struggle for resources within the ward has even causing bad blood between Executive and the Assembly. This motion is timely and I urge the Members to support. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Tom Nyaoke, MCA, North Nyakach Ward.

Hon. Nyaoke (MCA, North Nyakach Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I wish to be in record for supporting this motion. This motion is long overdue and I believe if passed by the National Assembly then, our people are going to benefit a lot. We cannot forget to thank Hon. Mule who put his words to paper to make this realizable. As it has been moved accordingly, I beg all the Members of this House to give one complete support to the motion. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon Lumumba, the Deputy Leader of Majority

Deputy Leader of Majority (Hon Lumumba, South East Nyakach ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to support the Motion. Mr. Speaker, this ought to have happened long time ago. For one reason, when devolution was brought to reality, they should have devolved the fund to the Wards. It will still serve its purpose if the money can be distributed to constituencies, then disbursed to the Wards.

Mr. Speaker, as my colleague has indicated, all developments originate from the Wards. It could give Members of Parliament easy time to oversight what we are doing with the funds. Even if this is done directly, it would be prudent for Members of Parliament to come to the constituencies and distribute this money to each Ward. We can also ensure that we distribute this to locations until the smallest unit which is the village to serve everyone as it is supposed to be the case.

Mr. Speaker, I rest my case and hope that all Members will support this Motion. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon Oraro.

Hon Oraro (MCA, Kolwa Central Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I also thank my colleague from Kolwa East for allowing me to speak first. Mr. Speaker, I rise to support this Motion, and in doing so, I want to bring in some of the aspects that we Members should focus on when lobbying for this Ward fund. The word used is equitable which is a very important word. Mr. Speaker, out of the budget for Kisumu County, my Ward will get a paltry Kshs. 5 million, enough to do only one road. Other Wards may have much more or even less. When majority of different populations, especially those within Kisumu County go to vote with certain expectations from candidates for

various positions, what they expect is development. Some do not get this development because of many reasons.

Mr. Speaker, remember that, in the National government, the head of the Executive is the President and the National Assembly does oversight. The MPs are given an opportunity to have Constituency Development Fund (CDF) not for their use but for development projects in their constituencies and other things like bursaries, and emergency issues. Mr. Speaker, as a result of the bureaucracy when it comes to project implementation, the Executive, with the Public Finance Management Act that they use, we are disadvantaged as leaders together with those we represent.

Mr. Speaker, the wisdom of whoever thought about this Motion or the Bill being forwarded, thought it wise that members of County Assembly, who are the immediate representatives of the people from the lowest level, should have advantage of solving emerging and immediate issues at the grassroots. In addition to this, we as members of Public Accounts Committee had a meeting in which we deliberated on oversight role.

Mr. Speaker, you may be aware that if you fail to clap your hands very well in some quarters, you might not get desired development. The moment MCAs are forced to lower their stand on issues of oversight, you cannot expect the Assembly to operate independently. However, when members are given assurance that development will take place in their Wards, those in the Executive will know how to use the money allocated to the county.

Mr. Speaker, I am sure the Governor intends to transform the entire county. As such, he may wish to take a huge chunk of money and commit to capital projects. Mr. Speaker, this fund will solve small projects at the grassroots. Mr. Speaker, one of the principles of budgeting is that money must be distributed to all the tax payers. When money is given to ensure equity, it is a step in the right direction.

Finally, I want to say that Assembly ought to wield the power to do oversight role. If developments can take place at the grassroots, Members will have sufficient time to concentrate on oversight. We will not have to beg. There are people interesting in growth. In this Third Assembly, we have professionals who understand what they are doing. I beg to support this Motion hoping that by the next financial year, it will be possible so that Members can sort out development issues at the grassroots. I support the Motion. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon Rakwach.

Hon Rakwach (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to support the Motion, and, I want to categorically say that with the implementation of this Motion, devolution will be at its best. Mr. Speaker, there are projects we promised our electorates. I thank God you were also once an MCA for North Kisumu Ward. We know implementation of development projects is not our mandate but sometimes for the sake of the votes, we have to say something to our electorates

about the projects. When we are here, it becomes a problem because we do not control the funds and it is the work of the Executive to do implementation.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, with these Ward Development Funds, we are also going to have a slight control on this kitty. We can budget and implement also in time, as per the needs of our people as per the promises we made to the great people of Kisumu County. Mr. Speaker, you will recognize that development done at the Wards, the lowest political unit, will cover our constituencies and the county at large. Even if we have the NGCDF or even NGAF, development can still be skewed because some wards may go without development.

Mr. Speaker, with Ward Development Fund, I want to assure you that every part of this county will get developed. I want to say that this Motion ought to have been passed in the First or Second Assembly. I just do not know what honourable members were doing then. Sometimes even we are called junior members or first timers, we have come with good ideas.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Omollo, what is your point of order?

Hon Omollo (MCA, West Nyakach Ward): Mr. Speaker, the member cannot purport that the First or Second Assembly did not do anything. The Ward Fund Bill was passed in 2016 and it is there. Because it was found unconstitutional, it is coming up again. I believe that the Member should be informed that it was there and that it has just been brought back.

Hon Rakwach (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): Thank you senior colleague for that information. However, remember it was passed but was never followed. Now, we are coming with the legal framework to make it constitutional and we are going to win Mr. Speaker. Together we can. I support and urge all the Members to rise and support this Motion. Thank you

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon Omollo, I had given you time.

Hon Omollo (MCA, West Nyakach Ward): Mr. Speaker, I simply seconded and had not debated on it.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon Omollo, you are a senior member. If you do not want to speak or intend to speak later, you know what to do. I had noticed Hon Mildred Biko.

Hon Biko (MCA, Central Seme Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. What I wanted to say, has been said by most Members. However, let me say a few. I rise to support this Motion. As my counterpart Hon Rakwach has said, this should have been passed by the Second Assembly. You remember the Rt. Hon Raila traversing the country with Building Bridges Initiatives (BBI)

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): What is it Hon Dede?

Hon Dede (Kisumu North); Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of information

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Whom do you want to inform?

Hon Dede (Kisumu North): The Member on the Floor.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon Mildred, Hon Dede wants to be informed?

Hon Biko (MCA, Central Seme Ward): Mr. Speaker, please allow him to do so.

Hon Dede (Kisumu North): Thank you Mr. Speaker for granting me the opportunity. I believe that what is going on now was brought to the Assembly through the BBI but it did not go through and now brought back through the right procedure. It is not that we did not pass it. It came but never went through. Thank you

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon Mildred.

Hon Biko (MCA, Central Seme Ward): Thank you Hon. Dede, I rise to support and I apologize for saying the Second Assembly didn't work. This Third Assembly will ensure that we pass this. We are very excited and you can see a lot of benefits coming up in terms of political, social and economic benefits. Devolving leadership and management of resources at the grassroots is the true meaning of devolution. Mr. Speaker, this Ward Development Fund is a recognition that people will know their priorities and will look forward to passing this, thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker, (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, I've noticed Hon. Millicent Omuya and Hon. Zachariah Okoyo but let me consider gender and give chance to Hon. Millicent Omuya, MCA for North Seme ward.

Hon. Omuya, (MCA, North Seme Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I am rising to support the motion. It is my prayer that we are going to succeed. Being an MCA isn't an easy task, and there is a distinct difference we have compared to the MPs, the Senators and the Governors. What are my reasons? We reach the ground and meet the people at the grassroots. When we came to the Assembly, I was looking at the budget and you could realize that there are some wards with a lot of money while others close to nothing. During my investigation, I realized that there are some who when they realized that they were not in a position to come back, they never took the issue of doing the budget seriously, so those wards could not get enough money. I am seeing a situation whereby when this budget will be passed and we get our funds, the contributions will be equal whether somebody is there to push for their funds for the wards or not As much as Hon. James Omollo was crying that we are stepping on their feet, I believe that you did very little and should just accept that you didn't do much, thank you.

(Laughter)

The Speaker, (Hon. Oraro): What is it Hon. James Omollo?

Hon. Omollo, (MCA, West Nyakach Ward): Surely Mr. Speaker, let there be no blame games and discuss this thing or else we will just fail. Let us not throw blame games based on who was in which Assembly. We are all in the Third Assembly so let's do our work, thank you.

The Speaker, (Hon. Oraro): Yes, Hon. Zachariah Okoyo

Hon. Okoyo, (MCA, Central Kisumu Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to support the motion. Please let me remind the First and Second Assembly that the writing is on the wall and we cannot erase it. Let us accept that we are here to push this agenda to the core. Mr. Speaker, Members have spoken with an exception of one thing; it is evidently seen and known that the CoK 2010, devolved a lot of functions to the Counties. There were very few functions that were left to the National Government, precisely the NG-CDF. If these functions were devolved to the Counties, then we the MCAs who are seen as the ward MPs, don't have funds to develop wards. This only means that the many functions which were devolved aren't going to be developed.

Agriculture is devolved, and we want a lot of things/aspects that may support agriculture in our wards. We have so much that is required to be done in trade and markets. I urge the Members to support this motion so that we can be able to do the many things that have been devolved to us as Members of the County Assembly, thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes, Hon. Moses Ochele...

(Laughter),

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): I thought Hon. Moses Ochele wanted to contribute.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon Samuel Dede, the floor is yours.

Hon. Dede, (MCA, Kisumu North Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity to also echo my voice concerning the motion on the floor. It is high time the motion was passed. As legislators, we find that in the National Government we have the NG-CDF (National Government Constituency Development Fund) for our MPs, the NG-AAF (National Government Affirmative Action Fund) for the Women Representatives and the Senate Oversight fund for the Senate. It is therefore prudent for our wards to be also given the ward funds so that we control the funds at the lowest level. We are aware that the Constitution of Kenya 2010 birthed devolution and the meaning of devolution is to ensure resources are brought to the grassroot level, wards. We find it very difficult as MCAs to handle some situations whereby some circumstances which some of our Hon. Members in matters budget because the allocations are much as compared to other wards which are close to none. If the ward fund is brought, all the 35 wards will get equal shares of funds for our Members to serve their purpose.

Mr. Speaker, a majority of us need to support of this so that when it is passed, none shall claim that their regions aren't developed. That's my view, thank you.

The Speaker, (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, I've seen Hon. Seth Okumu but Hon. Benson Adega has been standing for some time. I know in terms of seniority you are but let me consider him

Hon. Adega, (MCA, Kajulu Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I arise to support the motion. If you see the list of the recently concluded general elections, the President had some funds to manage, the Women Representatives have equally been allocated some funds to manage, and Governors as well as MPs also have some funds to manage except the MCAs. I support this motion. Thank you.

The Speaker, (Hon. Oraro): Yes, Hon. Okumu.

Hon. Okumu, (MCA, East Seme Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to support this motion. Most of the people watching us might think that we are only passing this because we are MCAs but the pressure we are having on development as the lowest representatives of the people is so much that we would have a fund that will ensure development in our wards, then it would be to the advantage to the local citizens of Kenya. Mr. Speaker, it is expected that this House does oversight, and the structure of governance that we currently have, where you depend mostly on the allocation from the Executive to do development which most people expect you to do, is quite difficult to oversight if you are sure that your oversight role will interfere with the development that is going to happen in your ward. Mr. Speaker, with this Ward Development Fund, the MCAs will do oversight of the fund and will be ensured of developments happening in their wards.

Mr. Speaker, we have talked about the Constitution of Kenya 2010, which my brother Hon. Dede mentioned the aspect of devolution bringing resources to the grassroot levels. We appreciate that the smallest unit of development that we are currently having in every part of Kenya, is the ward. As Kisumu County, we are advantaged because we have gone further to devolve our wards to the villages as enshrined in the Kisumu County Government Act. However, the one that is common among all the Counties in Kenya is the ward, and therefore, we cannot devolve resources and leave it at constituency level. It is just right that we devolve these resources further and as it continues we will devolve it even further to the villages that would be constituted in each and every ward. I want to support the motion that we need funds for development in each and every ward. (*Power interruption*) I know that my brother Hon. Bill right now struggling to repair a road leading to Hon. Henrietta Bodo's place using his own salary because there's no money for his ward to make those roads. He's having pressure from his residents and it is not in bad taste that he does so because it is expected of him and for the sake of peace. With the Ward Development Fund, he would have had a place to instruct so that that road can be done. Otherwise, Mr. Speaker, I support the motion, thank you.

The Speaker, (Hon. Oraro): Yes, Hon. Henrietta Bodo

(*Laughter*)

Hon. Bodo, (Nominated MCA): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I arise to answer to my friend and colleague, Hon. Seth Okumu. I want to make it clear to the House, that the road going to Mrs. Bodo's place hasn't been repaired so, I don't know which one you are talking about, thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker, (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Seth Okumu.

Hon. Okumu, (MCA, East Seme Ward): Mr. Speaker, I said that I was with the Hon. Bill Oliver, and he is planning to do that road but right now he is just planning to do it with his salary because there is no money for him at the ward level.

The Speaker, (Hon. Oraro): Thank you, I am informed that he is planning to do it.

The Speaker, (Hon. Oraro): Yes, Hon. Seth Kanga.

Hon. Rakwach, (MCA, Kolwa East): A point of Order Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker, (Hon. Oraro): What is your Point of Order Hon. Reuben Rakwach?

Hon. Rakwach, (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): Is the Hon. Okumu in Order to say that or purport that this County doesn't have money to do our roads?

The Speaker, (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Seth Okumu.

Hon. Okumu (MCA, East Seme Ward): Mr. Speaker, I know that the Hon. Member who is new to this Assembly. I want to inform him that at the end of budgetary allocation, you will only find money enough to make a few kilometers of roads per ward, leaving several kilometers undone. Yes, we do have money but the resources are not enough. That is why Hon. Bill is planning to use his own salary to repair that road, thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Seth Kanga, the floor was yours.

Chief Whip (Hon. Kanga, MCA, Market Milimani Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to support the motion but with a lot of reservations. Sometimes history can judge us very harshly. The motion which has been brought by Hon. K'Omudho is in-depth and understandable if you read it. However, I would like to take us back to the history. The First Assembly did quite commendable job. In our Standing Order, you will find the Ward Development Committee which is now chaired by Hon. K'Omudho and I commend those Members who were in the First Assembly like Hon. James Omollo, Hon. James Were, Hon. Kelvin Oraro, Hon. Pamela Oyoo and Hon. Ochele for establishing that House Committee. However, there have been constitutional challenges to this fund. Mr. Speaker, you can as well remember when we came to the office as Members of the second, we encountered challenges with the Office of the Controller of Budget. We then christened this fund as Grassroot Support Programme. It is recorded in the budget for the Financial

Year 2018/2019. Again the Office of the Controller of Budget did a letter to the Kisumu copied to the County Assembly of Kisumu stating that that fund was illegal.

Mr. Speaker, again you cannot erase history. The Governor of Murang'a County by then was the Jubilee Party Chief Whip. He took a Bill to the Senate which created the Ward Development Fund. A tune Kshs 28.8 Billion was to be allocated to that fund and the Senate passed it. Since National Assembly is bicameral whereby everything (all legislative duties) done at the Senate has to go to the National Assembly. The same National Assembly which we are now petitioning is the one which brought down the then Sen. Irungu Kang'ata's Bill.

Mr. Speaker, you are also aware the Rt. Hon. Raila Amollo Odinga brought Building Bridges Initiatives (BBI) whereby Public Participation was entirely done on each and every County and the proposals were taken to the National Assembly and us as the Second Assembly, also did our part. Mr. Speaker, are we aware that, this Ward Development Fund faces challenges from the Constitution and until we amend the Constitution Mr. Speaker. The other challenge comes from the Revenue allocation until it will be increased, we will still have challenges.

Nevertheless, I tend to agree with Hon. K'Omudho to some extent on the motion petitioning the National Assembly so that our interests be part of the proceedings so that our resolutions be part of the proceedings which are before the National Assembly brought by the Hon. Mule and other legislatures.

Mr. Speaker, I am urging the Members of National Assembly to reconsider their position on this because the problem is not the Members of County Assembly but them. The MPs feel that if the Ward Representatives are empowered and have some funds in which they oversight then they will have some problems during the subsequent general election. For instance, someone like Hon. Onditi (MCA, Ombeyi Ward), who has knowledge and bigger body, will challenge Hon. K'Oyoo (MP, Muhoroni Constituency) and consequently, the members of the community where Hon. K'Oyoo comes from may not be happy with it, that is on a light note.

Mr. Speaker, I am still pleading with the MPs to allow Hon. Members of the County Assemblies to have a fund which they may not necessarily be directly engage with but do the oversight whereby we shall have; the chairperson, committee members, representatives of various sectors in our wards etc. to ensure that; we construct more health centers, we build our roads, we buy fertilizers for our farmers and even put some money for our traders. For example, the traders in Otonglo Market are crying for Hon. Okoyo concerning the whereabouts of their business money. The same applies to the Jua-kali Artisans from the wards of Hon. Samuel and Hon. Nyaoke. The MCAs have problems in their respect wards. Therefore, it is my humble request to the Honourable Members to discuss this motion soberly so that we dispense with it. With those few remarks, I support the motion, thank you.

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

Leader of Majority (Hon. Ooko MCA, Ahero Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to support this motion brought up by the Ward Development Committee Chairperson Hon. K’Omudho. First, I want to thank the Executive Committee, the County Assemblies Forum (CAF) of which you and Hon. Mickey Ochieng’ are a party to which arrived at this that Members of the County Assemblies to petition Parliament.

Mr. Speaker, we are at the right time that the National Assembly is trying to do an amendment. We are now urging them to consider County Ward Equitable Development Fund in their proposed Constitutional Amendment Bill that is before the House purposed to amend Article 204 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 to entrench NGAF and NG-CDF and the County Oversight Fund. Mr. Speaker, I believe we are doing this petitioning singularly as the County Assembly of Kisumu and collectively as County Assemblies Forum and again as Members of County Assembly. Mr. Speaker, in this petition, I am urging the Parliament to enact a legislation to provide for administration of the County Ward Equitable Development Fund. In addition to that, we are urging each County to allocate funds comprising to a certain percentage of respective total County Annual Budget Estimates or as advised by the Commission of Revenue Allocation.

Mr. Speaker, just in case this petition is considered by the National Assembly, we are urging each County that all monies allocated to County Ward Equitable Development Fund to be considered as funds allocated to wards pursuant to Article 206 (2) (c) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 to be administered in accordance with the provisions of an Act of Parliament.

Mr. Speaker sir, I want to urge this House that immediately we pass this motion, I would like all the Members to sign a Petition by Hon. K’Omudho so that it can be sent to the National Assembly with immediate effect. So far, I can confirm to this House that thirty County Assemblies have passed this motion and we have other five discussing it this afternoon. Therefore, we stand to be counted to be in support of this motion, thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Bill Oliver.

Hon. Oliver (MCA, Kobura Ward): Mr. Speaker, looking at the NG-CDF AND NGAF, you will realize that all elective positions have at least some funds to control. I am saying so because you cannot go back to the ward and tell the residents that your role is to oversight. That I only represent you people and my work there is to air your views in the House. When you were campaigning, you made some promises, now they expect you to deliver to them. There were so many issues raised by Hon. Members and some of us talked about; road network, water supply etc. However, much it is the smallest elective position, all the ward electorates relate mostly to the MCAs but no other Members of other elective positions.

Mr. Speaker, I support this motion because, some of the development projects we do in our wards, you will realize does not even require the bureaucracies that goes on as compared to the manner in which those ones requiring minimal amount to perform will need you to go through a long

procedure that sometimes do not yield fruit. Therefore, this fund will help us a lot by promoting devolution which is trying to devolve the administrative duties. At least some work will be felt on our wards and the MCAs will not need to go and beg somewhere is when a project can be done.

Mr. Speaker, it will also promote competency because from that the Ward residents will be able to be evaluated and say, our MCA is doing a lot of work. For now, we cannot be evaluated because we are positioned in a way such that when you go back to the ward during, there is a wave such that if it does not go well with you, or, it does, your performance is defined. Having this money under our care, will help us greatly plus our electorates be able to compliment our work. I support the motion.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Ngeta, I have seen you but the Deputy Whip is on his feet so allow me give him a chance first.

Deputy Whip (Hon. Obonyo, MCA, South West Kisumu Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker, may I call the over to reply.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, I believe that the Deputy Whip Hon. Jennifer has misused that privilege because I gave her the opportunity when Hon. Ngeta was already on his feet.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Ngeta, proceed.

Hon. Ngeta (MCA, Awasi Onjiko Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to join my colleague in supporting the motion before us. As we speak, there is a very good move in this nation as we have heard our Hon. Leader of Majority that there are more than five Counties discussing the motion this afternoon, we are together in this. Mr. Speaker, we as MCAs do not just need money for control but rather for bringing services closer to the citizens. We are coming from different Sub Counties where our able MPs are also coming from. So, I am urging the members to whip our area MPs so that they can pass this motion, I stand to support, thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Members, I have also seen Hon. Alice Wajewa, the floor is yours.

Hon. Wajewa (MCA, Nominated): Thank you so much Mr. Speaker, for according me this opportunity. I arise to support the motion and since majority of the Honourable Members have accepted that this motion should be passed as soon as possible and we have contributed and we keep on repeating ourselves, I just want to call upon the mover of the motion to reply. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Moses Ochele MCA, East Kano/Wawidhi.

Hon. Ochele (MCA, East Kano/Wawidhi Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Let me take this opportunity to commend the variable chair of the Ward Development Fund Committee Hon.

K'Omudho. Mr. Speaker, I always knew that this Cooperative person is thorough and today he has indeed proven that he is.

Mr. Speaker, please protect me from the Chief Whip.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Member, you are protected please proceed.

Hon. Ochele (MCA, East Kano/Wawidhi Ward): Mr. Speaker, this motion could not have come at the right time, because it is long overdue that the County Assemblies are allocated some funds but not just to oversight, but to do that actual; work on the ground. Mr. Speaker, a Honourable Member, Hon. Rakwach raised a concern that by debating this motion is like the County does not have any money to undertake projects. Mr. Speaker, funds are there but the way the Procurement is done, the centralized manner by which procurement is done breeds a lot of time wastage, delays in project awards. Mr. Speaker, if we can be lucky to access these funds, then we can make our request to the County Executive through the Governor that procurement process be devolved to the Sub-counties so that by the end of every December, of the financial year all the projects will have been procured and the works are on the ground.

Mr. Speaker, the burden on the ground is too much. Today in the morning I had the opportunity to address some of my voters. I have a number of files and these files are request for development projects to be done. If we can be allowed to access these kind of funds, then it is my belief that devolution can be felt right down to that smallest unit which is the village.

Mr. Speaker, when I was going to school those many years back, we never used to have these many good schools, they had mud structures, the floors were dusty, we were even getting infected by jiggers. Mr. Speaker, the moment Constituency Development Fund was introduced, it has transformed a lot of things because the schools are nowadays good, bursaries and scholarships are now there and what can we say about the devolution in Counties? Mr. Speaker, it has even improved services better than CDF that was the only fund introduced. Mr. Speaker, doing a comparison with CDF verses the County development projects, are now going down to the electoral wards, it will even be much better and devolution will make our wards look colourful.

Mr. Speaker, I know that our main enemies as said by the Chief Whip that they are the Members of Parliament and I don't know why the Members of County Assemblies become a threat to MPs? This is because right now they are even voting for CDF kitty to be doubled from Kshs 150 million to Kshs 300 million. Mr. Speaker, if the MCAs can be allowed to access even Kshs 50 million, I don't see where that threat can arise from. Mr. Speaker, I am requesting some of us who are eyeing to be MPs please don't show it too early and this is to Hon. Tom Nyaoke, it is too early please stop that ambition. This is because when the MPs see you talking of becoming an MP, they see the real threat in all of us, I am not intending to be an MP because you are kind of indicating that all Honourable Members of the County Assemblies are interested in that parliamentary seat.

Mr. Speaker, what Hon. Billy is doing is a testimony that MCAs need that money in the ground because I know what Hon. Okumu was saying is not a fallacy because the young man promised heaven. Mr. Speaker, I attended some of his campaigns and he was promising heaven and by now the 100 days are over because you made a promises that by 100 days you will have done ten roads and from which funds. So, you want to help this young MCA grow politically, we allow him access to some funds which he can dictate when and where they could be applied.

Mr. Speaker, with those few remarks, I beg to support and may this House in its entirety vote for this motion and append their signatures in support of this Petition. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, now we can apply the request made by Hon. Wajewa. The Member had requested the mover to reply.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): So, Honourable K’Omudho.

Hon. K’Omudho (MCA, Muhoroni/Koru Ward): Many thanks to Mr. Speaker and many thanks to my fellow Honourable Members. In my short life in the House since joining it, I believe that this is one of the longest debates that I have witnessed and the most interesting. Mr. Speaker, I want to believe that, the rest of Honourable Members who have not contributed to this motion were just but quiet are a result of the time limitation.

Mr. Speaker, again, I want to say that, as my fellow Honourable Members have reiterated because it is true this morning back in my electoral ward I attend a public participation and I could inform you that the public are fiery and quite agitated and very hostile because leaders have been attending these exercises and we keep on telling them the same stories and nothing is changing. So, we have the confidence to calm them down and I wish this should not continue with our other colleagues.

Mr. Speaker Sir, when I became the Chairperson of this House Committee, some of my colleagues laughed it off and told me a Chair of what? A chair of nothing. I want to categorically inform them here today that, this is to the Hon. Speaker and the Members that, everybody is endowed with their own capacity in terms of faith. My strong faith in the Almighty God shall make this thing work and it is going to work.

Mr. Speaker, again, I want to inform my colleague Hon. Seth Kanga who is my senior that before I came into this House I made it in my third attempt because if I had not made it in my first and second attempt, I would not have made it to this Honourable House today. So, please don’t throw in the towel, believe it or not, this proposal is going to go through this time. In my faith in the name of the Almighty God other than the Holy Spirit, may you get the blessings?

Mr. Speaker, as I conclude, I want to say that the other name of Member of the County Assembly is Ward Representative. We are representing what? If I don’t have access to any development funds, then what are you representing? It is like having a piece of land without a Title Deed. This

is because we claim to have a parcel of land but with no title deed. It is as good as a “white elephant” which is rarely seen....

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Serjeant-at-Arms, please assist the Honourable Member with a portable microphone.

Hon. K’Omudho (MCA, Muhoroni/Koru Ward): Mr. Speaker, I do not want to say much and I am grateful to my colleagues for supporting this motion with a lot of zeal and let it move to the next level. Mr. Speaker, as I finalize, I beg to reply. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honorable Members, now that the Motion for the Approval of the Resolution to Petition the National Assembly on County Wards Equitable Development Funds had been moved by Hon. Vitalis Oliewo K’Omudho the MCA, Muhoroni/Koru Ward, Chairperson, Ward Development Committee and seconded by Hon. James Omollo, MCA, West Nyakach Ward debated as per the provisions of our Standing Orders, I want to put a question?

Honorable Members, that, as many that are of the opinion that that Motion on the Approval of the Resolution to Petition the National Assembly on County Wards Equitable Development Funds be adopted?

(Question put and agreed to)

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honorable Members, the Motion on the Approval of the Resolution to Petition the National Assembly on County Wards Equitable Development Funds has been adopted today Wednesday, 30th November, 2022 at 15:47 hours.

Honorable Members, I want to direct that, the Hansard Department to prepare the Hansard Report for the purposes of forwarding the House Resolutions to the County Assemblies Forum (CAF) further to the National Assembly to be considered in the ongoing debate.

Honorable Members, I equally have received a request from the mover of the motion Hon. Vitalis Oliewo K’Omudho the MCA, Muhoroni/Koru Ward that, he has a list that all the Members who have resolved to append their signatures in support of this petition which will accompany the motion moved by the petitioner. Thank you.

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

MOTION

ADOPTION OF A REPORT FROM THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF CO-OPERATIVE, FINANCIAL AND ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF KISUMU QUARTERLY REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2022

BY.

HON. CAREN AJWANG, MCA, KALOLENI-SHAURIMOYO WARD

(CHAIRPERSON)

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Caren Ajwang', Chairperson.

Hon. Caren Ajwang' (MCA, Kaloleni-Shaurimoyo Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker Sir and Hon. Members. Mr. Speaker, I would like to move a motion that; Pursuant to Section 166(4) of the PFM Act, 2012, the County Treasury is mandated to prepare quarterly reports on all the County Departments and submit the same to the County Assembly not later than 30days of the succeeding month after the end of each quarter. It is in this regard that the County Executive Committee member for Finance and Economic Planning vide a letter Ref: KC/FIN/C.ASSEMBLY VOL.IV/05 dated 14th September, 2022 (see annex i) accordingly submitted the Kisumu County Executive Quarterly Report and Financial Statements for the period ended 30th September 2022.

The report was subsequently tabled in this House by the Majority leader Hon. Kennedy Ooko on Tuesday, 25th October, 2022. Pursuant to the Standing Orders No. 193(5) Second schedule, the Hon. Speaker directed that the report be committed to the Sectoral Committee on Co-operative, Finance, Trade and Enterprise Development for legislative processing and reporting.

This Quarterly Reports and Financial Statements presents budget execution status covering the period 1st July, 2022 to 30th September, 2022 with comparative actual achievements and budget amounts for the previous Financial Year 2021/2022. Further it contains the Revenue Performance, both locally generated and an equitable share from the National Government

Lastly, the committee has herein comprehensively considered the Kisumu County Quarterly Report and Financial Statements for the period ended 30th September, 2022 and presents this documentation as the committee report for consideration by the House.

Committee Mandate

Hon. Speaker, the Sectoral Committee On Co-Operatives, Finance, Trade And Enterprise Development is established pursuant to the County Assembly of Kisumu Standing Order 193 (5) and is mandated to:-

- i). Investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned departments;
- ii). Study the program and policy objectives of departments and the effectiveness of the implementation;
- iii). Study and review all County legislation referred to it;
- iv). Study, assess and analyze the relative success of the departments as measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;

- v). Investigate and inquire into all matters relating to the assigned departments as they may deem necessary, and as may be referred to them by the County Assembly;
- vi). To vet and report on all appointments where the Constitution or any law requires the County Assembly to approve, except those under Standing Order 185 (Committee on Appointments); and
- vii). Make reports and recommendations to the County Assembly as often as possible, including recommendation of proposed legislation.

Committee Membership

Hon. Speaker. As is currently constituted, the sectoral committee on Co-Operatives, Finance, Trade and Enterprise Development is comprised of the following members;

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| 1. Hon. Carren Odhiambo | - | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Lumumba Owade | - | Vice-chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Joachim Oketch | - | Member |
| 4. Hon. Mickey Ochieng' | - | Member |
| 5. Hon. Ratib Boitone | - | Member |
| 6. Hon. Benson Adegga | - | Member |
| 7. Hon. Vitalis K'Omudho | - | Member |
| 8. Hon. Pamela Oyoo | - | Member |
| 9. Hon. Jennipher Obonyo | - | Member |
| 10. Hon. Ken Ouko | - | Member |
| 11. Hon. Millicent Omuya | - | Member |
| 12. Hon. George Abaja | - | Member |
| 13. Hon. Henrietta Bodo | - | Member |
| 14. Hon. Alice Wajewa | - | Member |
| 15. Hon. Ann Ochola | - | Member |

Secretariat

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| 1. Edwin Omollo | - | Committee Clerk |
| 2. Moses Orwa | - | Clerk Assistant |
| 3. Brenda Chasi | - | Clerk Assistant |
| 4. Zablon Otiende | - | Hansard |
| 5. Abraham Odegi | - | Serjeant-at-Arms |

Acknowledgement

Hon. Speaker. It is now my privilege and pleasure on behalf of the Committee to convey my gratitude to all Members of the Committee for their valuable input throughout its proceedings. The Committee equally extends appreciations to its members for taking their time out of their busy

schedule to participate robustly during the interrogation and scrutiny of this Quarterly Report and Financial Statements.

The Committee also appreciates the office of the Speaker and Clerk of the County Assembly for providing a conducive atmosphere to prepare this report. To our Secretariat and the technical staff who tirelessly worked through to make this exercise a success, I applaud you.

It is now my privilege to table this report before this House for consideration and adoption.

REVIEW OF THE QUARTERLY REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 2022. TERMS OF REFERENCES OF THE COMMITTEE.

Hon. Speaker and Hon. Members, in order to comprehensively review the quarterly report and the financial statements as committed to the committee, the Committee set out a specific approach in which it clearly spelt out specific terms of reference to guide its operations. The terms of reference with regards to the analysis were as follows;

To establish the compliance with Section 164(4) of the PFM Act 2012, on submission of financial reports,

To establish receipts and payments during the Quarter ended 30th September, 2022

To establish the budget utilization for both the development and recurrent expenditures of the Assembly

To examine in details the nature and behavior of the expenditure for the quarter

Identify any significant details or information in the reports that may be of material importance to this Honorable House.

LEGAL FRAMEWORK

Compliance with the Relevant Legal Provisions on Preparation of the Quarterly Reports and Financial Statements;

The Committee was guided by the Provisions of Chapter 12 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 on public finance, Section 131 of the County Governments Act No.17 of 2012, section 166 of the PFM Act, 2012 and Standing Order No. 195 (5) and Second Schedule of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders to ensure that the Quarterly Reports and Financial Statements met the required legal threshold.

The Committees Observations are as outlined below;

Table: 1 Compliance Matrix

S/NO	Legal Provision	Compliance by the Executive	Committee Recommendations
Legal Basis/Requirements of Preparation and Submission of the Quarterly Reports and Financial Statements			
1.	Section 166 (4)(a) of PFM ACT, 2012 The Quarterly Reports and Financial Statements be submitted to the Assembly not later one month after the end of each quarter by the County Treasury	None Compliant The CECM for Finance and Economic Planning submitted quarterly reports and Financial Statements on 2 nd October, 2022 hence not complying with the timelines.	The County Treasury should adhere to the strict timelines on submission of the Quarterly Reports and Financial Statements
2.	Section 166 (2)(a) of PFM ACT, 2012 That the accounting officer will ensure that the report contains information on the Financial and Non-Financial performance of the entity	Partial Compliance Non-Financial information in the quarterly reports and Financial Statements are not detailed and adequate	That the CECM. Finance and Economic Planning to comply with the provisions of (Section 166 (2a) of the PFM Act, 2012) inconsideration of the importance of the Non-Financial Information in scrutiny of the reports
3.	Section 166 (2)(b) of PFM ACT, 2012 That accounting officer will ensure that the report is in form determined by the accounting standards board	Compliant	The County Treasury should at all times be compliant
4.	Section 25 1 (a) & (b) of the PFM Regulations, 2015 Expenditure on Wages and Benefits shall not exceed 25% of the County Government Total Revenue	Non-Compliant The County Executive Expenditure on Wages is at 42.3% of the Total County Budget	The County Executive pursuant to the Provisions of Section 25 1 (a) & (b) of the PFM Regulations, 2015 to set a limit for the Personal Emoluments and Submit to the Assembly for Approval

5.	<p>Regulation No. 41 (2) of the PFM Act, 2012</p> <p>Debt service payments shall be a first charge on the County Revenue Fund and the Accounting Officer shall ensure this is done to the extent possible that the County Government does not default on debt payment</p>	<p>Non-Compliant</p> <p>The County has accumulated debt over the past years to a total of Kshs. 2,416,382,474</p>	<p>That the CECM. Finance and Economic Planning to decentralize payment of pending bills to their Departments of origin and the pending bills be paid as first charge on the County Revenue Fund to ensure that the County does not default on paying pending bills</p>
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Source; Constitution of Kenya, 2010, County Government Act, 2012, PFM Act, 2012, and PFM Regulations of 2015

Section 166 of the PFM Act, 2012 Stipulates as follows;

That,

- (1) An accounting officer for a county government entity shall prepare a report for each quarter of the financial year in respect of the entity.
- (2) In preparing a quarterly report for a county government entity, the accounting officer shall ensure that the report—
 - (a) Contains information on the financial and non-financial performance of the entity; and
 - (b) is in a form determined by the Accounting Standards Board.
- (3) Not later than fifteen days after the end of each quarter, the accounting officer shall submit the quarterly report to the County Treasury.
- (4) Not later than one month after the end of each quarter, the County Treasury shall—
 - (a) Consolidate the quarterly reports and submit them to the county assembly;
 - (b) Deliver copies to the Controller of Budget, National Treasury and the Commission on Revenue Allocation; and
 - (c) Publish and publicize them.

FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2022)

Hon. Speaker, in considering the financial statements for the 1st quarter of the Financial Year 2022/2023, the Committee focused majorly on the following six major components of the Kisumu County Executive Quarterly Reports;

a) Receipts

The County Executive of Kisumu had the following major sources of money during the 1st Quarter of the financial year 2022/2023;

- i). Exchequer releases
- ii). County Own Generated Receipts

b) Payments

The money received from various sources was used to fund various expenditures listed below;

- i). Compensation of employees
- ii). Use of goods and services
- iii). Transfer to other Government units
- iv). Acquisition of Assets
- c) Statement of Cash Flows
- d) Notes to the financial Statements
- e) Bank Account Balances
- f) Supporting schedule to the financial statements
- g) Comparison of Budget and Actual Amounts/Budget Utilization (Development and Recurrent)

RECEIPTS (REVENUE) AND PAYMENTS (EXPENDITURE) DURING THE QUARTER

a) STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2022

Hon. Speaker,

As at 30th September, 2022, the County Government of Kisumu had receipts as listed in the table below;

Table 2: STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2022

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 TH SEPTEMBER, 2022		
S/NO	Item	Amount (Kshs)
1.	Exchequer Releases	642,091,142
2.	County Own Generated Receipts	86,597,581
TOTAL RECEIPTS		728,688,723

Source: Kisumu County Treasury, 2022

Committee Observations

- The County Government received funding totaling to Kshs. 728,688,723 with own source revenue standing at Kshs. 86,597,581 and the exchequer at Kshs. 642,091,142.
- The own source revenue of Kshs. 86,597,581 was generated as highlighted below;

Table 3: Breakdown of OSR for the Period ended September, 2022;

Description	Period ended Sept ,2022
	Kshs
Cess	1,969,078
Land/Poll rate	5,385,646
Single/Business permits	9,439,902
Property rent	2,877,421
Parking fees	27,898,867
Market fees	13,610,030
Advertising	15,577,478
Public health service fees	233,400
Physical planning and development	162,250
Miscellaneous	945,520
Others –Payroll revenue	8,497,989
Total	86,597,581

Source: Kisumu County Treasury, 2022

b) STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2022

Mr. Speaker Sir, against the above, the County managed to spend the revenues raised in the 1st quarter as illustrated below;

Table 4: STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2022

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 TH SEPTEMBER, 2022		
S/NO	Item	Amount (Kshs)
1	Compensation of employees	972,560,783
2.	Use of goods and services	183,941,761
3.	Transfer to other Government units	124,628,474

4,	Acquisition of Assets	308,032,220
TOTAL RECEIPTS		1,589,163,238

Source: Kisumu County Treasury, 2022

Committee Observations

- i). That Kshs. 972,560,783 was used for Compensation of Employees and further broken down as follows;
 - a) Basic salaries of permanent employees at Kshs. 790,600,572
 - b) Basic wages of temporary employees at Kshs. 19,595,322
 - c) Personal allowances paid as part of salary at Kshs. 162,364,889
- ii). That Kshs. 183,941,761 was used to finance Use of Goods and Services and particular spent as follows; Utilities, supplies and services at Kshs.4,820,112, Communication, supplies and services at Kshs.25,000, Domestic travel and subsistence at Kshs.10,572,054, Hospitality supplies and services at Kshs. 9,318,180, Insurance costs at Kshs.56,269,749, Office and general supplies and services at Kshs. 147,500, Fuel Oil and Lubricants at Kshs.8,775,000, Other Operating Expenses at Kshs.93,958,588, Routine maintenance – vehicles and other transport equipment at Kshs. 55,579.
- iii). That Kshs. 124,628,474 was spent on Other Current Transfers Grants & Subsidies
- iv). That Kshs. 308,032,220 was used for Acquisition of Assets i.e Construction of Roads at Kshs. 60,000,000 and Construction and Civil works at Kshs. 248,032,220.
- v). That the County Government Total Payments of Kshs.1,589,163,238 for the 1st quarter ended 30th September, 2022 exceeded the Total Receipts of Kshs. 728,688,723 leading to a deficit of Kshs. 860, 474, 515.
- vi). That, an error of Kshs. 11 was realized between total payments reported by the treasury against the reviewed figures by the Committee.
- vii). There was inadequate provision of Non-Financial Information to justify the Payments made above.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2022

Hon. Speaker, the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 30th September, 2022 are as follows;

Table 5: Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 30th September, 2022

	Period ended Sept,2022
	Kshs
FINANCIAL ASSETS	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	

Bank Balances	663,262,618
Accounts Receivables	54,120,090
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS	717,382,708
FINANCIAL LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payables	38,509,523
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	678,873,185
REPRESENTED BY	
Fund balance b/fwd	1,258,207,092
Prior year adjustments	281,140,608
Surplus/Deficit for the period	(860,474,515)
NET FINANCIAL POSITION	678,873,185

Source: Kisumu County Treasury, 2022

Committee Observations

- a) That, Financial Assets of the County totals to Kshs. 717,382,708 arising from Bank Balances at Kshs. 663,262,618 and Account Receivables at Kshs. 54,120,090 (more details on bank balances and account receivables see annex ii).
- b) That, Financial Liabilities of the County totals to Kshs. 38,509,523 being retention of Monies.
- c) That the fund balance brought forward for the County Government (Opening balance for the current Financial Year) is totaling to Kshs. 1,258,207,092 (more details on the fund balance brought forward see annex iii)
- d) The prior year adjustments amounted to Kshs. 281,140,608 being hospital bank balances.
- e) That the Statement of Financial Position of the County is balancing.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2022

Mr. Speaker Sir and Hon. Members, the statement of Cash flows for the period ended 30th September, 2022 is as outlined hereunder;

Table 6: Statement of Cash flows for the period ended 30th September, 2022

	Period ended Sept,2022
	Kshs
Receipts from operating income	
Exchequer Releases	642,091,142
County Own Generated Receipts	86,597,581
Payments for operating expenses	
Compensation of Employees	972,560,783
Use of goods and services	183,941,761
Transfers to Other Government Units	124,628,474
Total operating payments	1,281,131,018
Adjusted for:	
Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable	14,259,634
Other Adjustments-Changes in Prior year Adjustments	281,140,608
Net cash flow from operating activities	(257,042,053)
CASHFLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Acquisition of Assets	308,032,220
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(565,074,273)
Cash and cash equivalents at BEGINNING of the Period	1,228,336,891
Cash and cash equivalents at END of the period	663,262,618

Committee Observation

That County reported a Cash and Cash Equivalents of Kshs. 663,262,618 at the end of the period.

BUDGET UTILISATION

Mr. Speaker Sir and Hon. Members,

Budget utilization is the means by which all planned activities were delivered and responsiveness will create the outcome for reporting by the end of the implementation period. The statement below illustrates the budget utilization for the Quarter ended 30th September 2022.

Table 7: Illustration of the budget utilization (recurrent and development combined) for the Q1 ended 30th September 2022

Receipt/Expense Item	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual on Comparable Basis *	% of Utilization
	A	C=(a+b)	D	D/C
	Kshs	Kshs	Kshs	%
RECEIPTS				
Exchequer releases	7,108,615,118	7,108,615,118	642,091,142	9.03
Proceeds from Domestic and Foreign Grants	1,298,321,874	1,298,321,874		
Transfers from Other Government Entities	296,141,090	296,141,090		
Proceeds from Domestic Borrowings	1,298,321,874	1,298,321,874		
County Own Generated Receipts	1,762,226,587	1,762,226,587	86,597,581	5
Returned CRF issues	652,654,461	652,654,461		
TOTAL	11,117,959,130	11,117,959,130	728,688,723	7
PAYMENTS				
Compensation of Employees	4,739,766,965	4,739,766,965	972,560,783	21
Use of goods and services	1,838,891,857	1,838,891,857	183,941,761	10

Transfers to Other Government Units	1,770,085,669	1,770,085,669	124,628,474	7
Other grants and transfers	205,000,000	205,000,000		
Social Security Benefits	126,175,327	126,175,327		
Acquisition of Assets	2,438,039,312	2,438,039,312	308,032,220	13
TOTAL	11,117,959,130	11,117,959,130	1,589,163,238	14

Source: Kisumu County Treasury, 2022

Committee Observations

The following observations were made on Utilization for Recurrent and Development Budget as at the period ended 30th September, 2022;

- i). That averagely, receipts were utilized at 7%.
- ii). That exchequer releases were utilized at 9%.
- iii). That County Own Generated Receipts were utilized 5%.
- iv). That total payments were averagely utilized 14%.
- v). That total payments were averagely utilized at 14%.
- vi). That under payments, compensation of employees recorded the highest utilization at 21%.

a. Budget Utilization for the Recurrent Expenditures for the Q1 ended 30th September, 2022

Table 8; Utilization for Recurrent Expenditure

Receipt/Expense Item	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual on Comparable Basis*	% of Utilization
	A	C=(a+b)	D	d/c
	Kshs	Kshs	Kshs	
RECEIPTS				
Exchequer releases	4,743,607,249	4,743,607,249	642,091,142	14
Transfers from Other Government Entities	296,141,090	296,141,090		
County Own Generated Receipts	1,762,226,587	1,762,226,587	86,597,581	5
Returned CRF issues	652,654,461	652,654,461		

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TOTAL	7,454,629,387	7,454,629,387	728,688,723	10
PAYMENTS				
Compensation of Employees	4,739,766,965	4,739,766,965	972,560,783	21
Use of goods and services	1,838,891,857	1,838,891,857	183,941,761	10
Transfers to Other Government Units	416,112,429	416,112,429	124,628,474	30
Other grants and transfers	205,000,000	205,000,000		
Social Security Benefits	126,175,327	126,175,327		
Acquisition of Assets	128,682,809	128,682,809	9,590,116	7
TOTAL	7,454,629,387	7,454,629,387	1,290,721,134	21

Source: Kisumu County Treasury, 2022

Committee Observation and Finding

That, Recurrent Expenditure was utilized at 21% with transfer to other Government units recording the highest utilization at 30% under the Component.

b. Budget Utilization for the Development Expenditures For the Q1 ended 30th September, 2022

Table 9; Utilization for Development Expenditure

Receipt/Expense Item	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual on Comparable Basis	% of Utilization
	A	C=(a+b)	d	d/c
	Kshs	Kshs	Kshs	
RECEIPTS				
Exchequer releases	2,365,007,869	2,365,007,869		

Transfers from Government Entities	Other	1,298,321,874	1,298,321,874		
TOTAL		3,663,329,743	3,663,329,743		
PAYMENTS					
Transfers to Government Units	Other	1,3853,973,240	1,3853,973,240		
Acquisition of Assets		2,309,356,503	2,309,356,503	298,442,104	13
TOTAL		3,663,329,743	3,663,329,743	298,442,104	8

Committee Observation and Finding

That, the Development Expenditure recorded a low utilization of 8%.

ANALYSIS OF BUDGET FINANCING FOR THE Q1 ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2022

Mr. Speaker Sir and Hon. Members, the Committee analyzed the Quarterly targeted Revenues against the actual revenues realized within the period ended 30th September, 2022 in order to determine the Realization rate by County visa vie its target;

Table10: ANALYSIS OF BUDGET FINANCING FOR THE Q1 ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2022

ITEM	FINAL BUDGET FY 2022/2023	TARGETED REVENUES PER QUARTER (each component/ 4)	ACTUAL REVENUE FOR Q1 ENDED, SEPTEMBER, 2022	% REALISATION AGAINST TARGETED REVENUES
P&E	4,739,766,965	1,184,941,741.25	972,560,783	82.09
O&M	3,940,152,853	985,038,213.3	318,160,351	32.30
DEVELOPMENT	2,438,039,312	609,509,828.00	298,442,104	48.96
TOTAL	11,117,959,130	2,779,489,783	1,589,163,238	57.17

Committee Findings and Observations

That, the County Government realized 57.17% against the targeted revenue for the quarter ended 30th September, 2022.

CONCERNS RAISED TO THE CECM. FINANCE AND ECONOMIC PLANNING

Mr. Speaker and Hon. Members, following the thorough scrutiny conducted by the Committee on this Q1 County Executive Report and Financial statements. Several issues were flagged out and were addressed to the CECM. Finance and Economic Planning vide a letter Ref: CAK/FIN/CG/VOL.I/2022 dated Monday, 7th November, 2022 (see annex iv) to give a comprehensive written response to shed light on these issues. These vital concerns are as outlined below: That, the CECM. Finance and Economic Planning to;

1. Give explanation on the inadequate exchequer releases and low OSR realized during the Q1 ended 30th September 2022.
2. Submit an updated payroll and staff database to justify the high Expenditures on P&E at Kshs. 972,560,783. (Pg. 7).
3. Explain why the County allocated 42.6% of the Total County Budget to P&E against the Provisions of PFM Act, 2012 regulation No. 25 1(a & b) setting the limits on employees' wages and benefits at 35%.
4. Provide justification on payments for Use of Goods and Services at Kshs. 183,941,761 (Non-Financial information provided in Pg.33 is inadequate).
5. Provide justification on payments for Acquisition of Assets at Kshs. 308,032,220 (Non-Financial information provided in Pg.36 is inadequate).
6. Provide a breakdown on the Transfers to other Government Units at Kshs. 124,628,474 (Non-Financial information provided in Pg.34 is inadequate).
7. Explain an error of Kshs. 11 in receipts and payments noted in your additions for Total Payments for the Period Ended 30th September 2022.
8. Give reasons for the low budgetary utilization for the Development Expenditure at 8% compared with recurrent expenditures at 21%.
9. Provide a detailed breakdown of County Pending Bills totaling to Kshs. 2,416,382,496.67. (Non-Financial Information on Pg. 45 is inadequate). This should include the following;

A breakdown detailing the Financial Year the Contract was awarded.

Specific location where the Contract was done or services rendered

Reasons why they could not be paid on time.

Whether the Pending Bills were authorized by the Auditor General as eligible for payment (provide evidence).

Mr. Speaker Sir and Hon. Members, the CECM. Finance and Economic Planning vide a letter reference KC/FIN/C.ASSEMBLY VOL.IV/15 (see annex v) dated 16th November, 2022 submitted his written response to explain and justify the above Committee Concerns.

Consequently, the Committee during its meetings synthesized the response given and made the following observations and findings;

1. That, the low Own Source Revenue realization during the quarter was majorly attributed to; NHIF Capitation from the Health Department, Redirection of town service parking areas, Hard Economic times, Rate payers unwilling to pay rates after the valuation was dropped in Court, Eviction and Reconstruction of new buildings and demolition of Anderson Houses.
2. That the County collected Kshs. 188,738,328 during the Q1 and not Kshs. 86,597,142 as indicated in the Reports. The difference is due to the 21 health facilities in the County not sweeping their revenue to CRF Account after the approval of the FIF Act.
3. The CECM. Finance and Economic adduced that the ballooning County wage bill is majorly the cause of the high expenditure on Personnel Emoluments. However, the he did not submit an updated staff payroll to justify these high expenditures as directed by the Committee.
4. That the CECM. Finance and Economic Planning did not submit additional non-financial information as directed by the Committee adducing that their reporting standards on the issues complied with the revised template for Financial reporting as prescribed by the Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (PSASB)
5. That the low budgetary utilization for the development expenditures at 8% was due to delayed disbursement of equitable share from the National Government and shortfall in OSR collection by the County.
6. On the question of Pending Bills, the committee noted as follows ;(Annex 2 of the response by CECM)

- I. That a special audit on County Pending Bills was done in 2021 as per the report by the Auditor General dated 23rd December, 2021 for the FY 2018/2019 and 2019/2020.
- II. That Pending Bills for the FY 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 have not been audited by the Office of the Auditor General, however the CECM. Informed the Committee vide his response that a Committee has been appointed to verify the projects done in those Financial years.
- III. The County Executive of Kisumu had eligible Pending Bills for FY 2018/2019 and 2019/2020 amounting to Kshs. 1,047,130,468. As at 30th April, 2022. Out of the above, the County Executive had paid Kshs. 123,035,122 leaving an outstanding balance of Kshs. 919,095,346. With Kshs. 2,416,382,496.67 being reported as the County stock of accumulated Pending bills as at the end of FY 2021/2022, it means that, the County accumulated pending bills totaling to Kshs. 1,497,287,150.67 during the FY 2020/2021 and FY 2021/2022.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Hon. Speaker, based on the observations and findings outlined herein, the committee makes the following recommendations on the Kisumu County Financial Reports for Q1 of FY2021/2022;

1. That the CECM. Finance and Economic Planning to concurrently submit County Executive Quarterly Report and Financial Statements and County Revenue Fund Quarterly Report and Financial Statements in subsequent periods since they Complement each other with material information.

2. That the CECM. Finance and Economic Planning to submit to this House a breakdown on expenditures of Kshs. 183,941,761, Kshs. 308,032,220 and Kshs 124,628,474 on use of Goods, Acquisition of Assets and Transfer to other Government entities respectively to justify such block payments within 14 days of approval of this report.

3. That the CECM. Finance and Economic Planning to provide supportive, comprehensive, detailed and adequate non-financial information on particular expenditure items on the Quarterly and annual Reports and Financial Statements to justify such Financial Expenditures and to prove value for money in all subsequent Reports and Financial Statements.

4. The CECM. Finance and Economic Planning to submit to this House within 30 days of approval of this Report, a strategy paper on Own Source Revenue Realization Enhancement Mechanism to enhance Budgetary Utilization for Recurrent and Development Expenditures. At same time, the CECM to present implementation status of the Kisumu County Revenue Administration Amendment Act, 2022.

4. That, a column for counter comparison of statements for the Quarter under review and the same quarter for the preceding Year be introduced in subsequent reports in all parts of the statement for standard review and analysis.

5. The CECM. Finance and Economic Planning to submit to this House within 21 days of approval of this report, a progress report of the Committee appointed to obtain status report for all projects within the County for the FY 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 and ensure that only eligible pending bills are paid. That, Payment of the Pending Bills be decentralized to the Departments of origin and be paid as 1st charge on first-in-first-out basis.

6. The County Executive to submit to this House within 30 days of approval of this Report, the wage bill taskforce report which was meant to address the challenge of ballooning County wage bill and an updated staff payroll for the Quarter under review to justify the high expenditures on Personnel Emoluments.

CONCLUSION

Hon. Speaker. I hereby urge the Hon. Members to adopt this report with the recommendations contained herein. May I call upon Hon. Jennipher Obonyo to second? Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Obonyo.

Hon. Obonyo (MCA, South West Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker I arise to second the report as was moved by the Chairperson, Committee on Finance and Cooperatives. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, now that the report on the consideration of the County Executive of Kisumu Quarterly Report and Financial Statement for the period ended 30th September, 2022 has been moved and presented by Hon. Caren Odhiambo Ajwang' the Chairperson, Standing Committee of Cooperative, Finance, and Enterprises Development and seconded by Hon. Jennipher Obonyo and as per the provisions of our Standing Orders, I want to propose a question.

Honourable Members, I propose that the adoption of the report by the Standing Committee of Cooperatives, Finance and Enterprises Development on the on the consideration of the County Executive of Kisumu Quarterly Report and Financial Statement for the period ended 30th September, 2022 is now open for debate?

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Tom Nyaoke, MCA, North Nyakach.

Hon. Nyaoke (MCA, North Nyakach Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker for according me this opportunity to support the motion that has just been moved by the able Chair of the Finance Committee that is the report on the consideration of the County Executive of Kisumu Quarterly Report and Financial Statement for the period ended 30th September, 2022.

Mr. Speaker, I have keenly gone through with the available time given and what I need to comment on as I support this motion is the good recommendations that the House Committee has provided for this particular issue. Mr. Speaker, if you look at page 25 of the report on the Committee Recommendations, point number four that a column for counter comparison of Statements for other previous quarters reviews and that of the year under review be introduced in subsequent reports in all parts of the Statement for ma Standard review and analysis.

Mr. Speaker this particular recommendation will accord this House easy time to identify where we are coming from and probably where we are headed to. Mr. Speaker, I really support this motion and it is my prayer that the recommendations provided herein by this House Committee be adhered to the letter for the subsequent reports that this House is envisaged to receive. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Pamela Oyoo.

Hon. Oyoo (MCA, Migosi Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I stand to support the adoption of this report. A quarterly report is supposed to update us on the progress and it is an indicator of where the institution is coming from and where it is headed to. As we go through this report we have seen many indicators that the County is trying its level best though I can see that they are experiencing major challenges with regards to Own-source Revenue. The development part of this report is at

8.00% in completion yet they were supposed to have done 21%. They should have done much better even though they are limited to cash flow. The cash flow indicated here is not up to date and there is a gap. There are a lot of pending bills and I wish this House would recommend that we clear with the pending bills and start new development projects. I support this report and plead with this House to support it since it is an indicator that shows where we are headed to and where we are coming from. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Warindo.

Hon. Warindo (MCA, Miwani Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand to support the report from the committee on the consideration of the County Executive of Kisumu Quarterly Financial Report and Financial Statement for period ended 30th September 2022.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to thank the committee for the good work that they have done and I believe that our co-mandate as a County is to spend a lot on development. From this report, we can see that much of our resources are going to Recurrent Expenditure and I wonder when we will start dealing with the co-issue that brought us here. I support the recommendations that have been stated here and this is a challenge to all the House Committees that are in this Assembly. We usually give good recommendations but the problem is on making a follow up and I want to believe that this committee will take this as a challenge and ensure that the timelines given for these recommendations are made. I believe that moving forward, when reports on financial statements are given, all the required evidences documents will be attached so that the committees can have ample time and discuss the issues conclusively. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Elisha J. Oraro): Yes Hon. James Omollo.

Hon. J Omollo (MCA, West Nyakach Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I want to thank the committee especially the Chairperson for coming up with such a wonderful report. How I wish that these recommendations would be implemented because the committee has gone further by giving timelines on what the County Executive Committee Member for Finance and Economic planning should do with the recommendations herein.

Mr. Speaker, I believe that we are hurting in terms of Recurrent Expenditure in this County and from the report you can see that the Recurrent Expenditure is really eating into from our own resource revenue and that from the exchequer. I would recommend that in terms of employees in this County; if there would be a headcount or physical count so that we know where we are in terms of Personnel Emolument and Operation & Maintenance. This would really go a long way to determine if there are ghost workers within the payroll system. The Absorption Rate for development is also so low and this should be taken care of so that we get developments in our wards. In future, I would like to recommend that every other House Committee should take time

and come up with such reports on the floor of the House for us to have easy time debating on them. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Elisha J. Oraro): Yes Hon. Okumu.

Hon. Okumu (MCA, East Seme Ward): Mr. Speaker, I wish to call the mover to reply. Hon. Carren.

Hon. Ajwang (MCA, Kaloleni Shaurimoyo Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker for the time you have given the Hon. Members to deliberate on this report. I wish to thank the Hon. Members for agreeing with the recommendations given by this House Committee. As it has been state by Hon. James, I hope that the Executive will put the recommendations in action. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, a report from the Sectoral Committee of Cooperatives, Finance, Trade and Enterprise Development on the consideration of the County Executive of Kisumu Quarterly Financial Report and Financial Statement for period ended 30th September 2022 has been moved by Hon. Carren, seconded and debated by Hon. Members, I wish to put a question on the adoption of the same.

(Question put and agreed to)

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, the report from the Sectoral Committee of Cooperatives, Finance, Trade and Enterprise Development on the consideration of the County Executive of Kisumu Quarterly Financial Report and Financial Statement for period ended 30th September 2022 is hereby adopted today Wednesday, 30th November 2022 at 1658 hours.

Honourable Members, I do direct that the recommendations together with the Hansard report be communicated to the relevant department and I also want to direct that the Select Committee on Implementation to follow up on the recommendations provided by the report as per our standing orders and as per the lines in the report.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Next Order!

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, there being no any other business to transact, the House stands adjourned until Thursday, 1st December 2022 at 2.30 p.m. Thank you.

(House rose at 0 5.12 p.m.)

Addendum

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