

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KISUMU



COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KISUMU

THE HANSARD

Official Report

THIRD ASSEMBLY – FIFTH SESSION

Tuesday, 19th February, 2026

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

(The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Nereah Okombo) in the Chair)

PRAYER

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, in line with the provisions of Orders No. 32 (2) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, I hereby direct that, the Sergeant-at-Arms to ring the quorum bell for the first five minutes.

(Quorum bell rung for the first five minutes)

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, I cannot spot the Whip, but I can see the Honourable Alando sitting in for the Majority Whip, can you please confirm whether we have sufficient quorum to transact?

Hon. Alando (Nominated Member): Thank you Madam Speaker. We have quorum.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Clerk, can you take us through the order of the day?

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, following the approval of the list of Panelists, appointed by the Speaker to serve as the First, Second, and Third Panelist in the Fifth Session, I hereby want to administer oath to our Panelists.

The Oath of Office was administered to:

1. Hon. Seth Okumu Ogutu - First Panelist
2. Hon. Emily Anyango Oginga – Second Panelist
3. Hon. Carren Ajwang – Third Panelist

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Congratulations to our panelists, and continue serving with diligence as you served before. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Next order!!

STATEMENT HOUR

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, we are at Statement Hour.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Yes, Honourable Seth Okumu.

Hon. Okumu (MCA, East Seme): Thank you so much, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, I rise on Orders Number 42, on Personal Statements. Madam Speaker, it is my considered opinion that, since we resumed from the recess, most members have not seen me, and I came here today to thank the County Assembly, especially members, for standing with my family when we lost our dad.

Honorable members, I have always walked with you to several places to condole with colleagues, and I always say that I have never known how it feels to be an orphan. Madam Speaker, it feels different when you see colleagues and friends giving you a shoulder to lean on when you are having a problem.

I do not take this for granted what they did to me. I might not be there to do the same, but I have an opportunity to stand here before this House to appreciate and say thank you to each and every one of them for all that they did to our family.

Madam Speaker, I pray for their good health. I pray that they may never lack in their pockets to help other people and also to help themselves. I pray that none goes through the same that we went through when we are still in this Assembly. But if it happens by any chance, then I pray that Members do the same what they did to our family. Thank you so much, Madam Speaker. I beg to sit.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Thank you, Honourable Seth. And may your family be consoled. May God give you peace that surpasses human understanding.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Next order!!

MOTION

APPROVAL OF THE CALENDAR OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY REGULAR SESSIONS
FOR THE FIFTH SESSION, 2026.

BY

HON. KENNEDY OOKO, MCA, AHERO

[LEADER OF MAJORITY]

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Deputy Majority.

The Deputy Leader of Majority (Hon. Owade, MCA, South East Nyakach): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise to inform the members of the calendar of the county assembly.

ACKNOWLEDGING THAT, Orders No. 25 of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders establishes the schedule for Regular Sessions of the County Assembly to run from the second Tuesday of February to the first Thursday of December.

FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGING THAT, the county assembly calendar for the Fourth Session, 2026, that was approved by this House at the sitting of Wednesday, 26 February, 2025, expired on Monday, 09th February, 2026, necessitating the approval of a new calendar for the Fifth Session.

RECOGNISING THAT, pursuant to Orders No. 25 of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, the new assembly year for the Fifth Session does commence Tuesday, 10 February, 2026.

FURTHER RECOGNIZING THAT, the Orders No 26, paragraph 1, mandates the county assembly House Business Committee to determine with the assembly's approval the Annual Calendar.

NOW, THEREFORE, the assembly resolves that pursuant to Orders No. 25 (1), this House Approves the Calendar of the County Assembly, that is the Regular Sessions, for the Fifth Session 2026 as follows,

Tuesday 10th February 2026 to Monday 08th February 2027, the period of Tuesday 10th February 2026 to Thursday 02nd April 2026, the sittings will be as follows,

1. Tuesday afternoon, Wednesdays morning and afternoon and Thursdays afternoon, we'll have a short recess between Friday 3rd April 2026 to Monday 20th April 2026.

The SECOND PART, Madam Speaker;

2. Tuesday 21st April 2026 to Thursday 2nd July 2026, the settings remain the same that is Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday morning and afternoon and Thursdays, long recess, we'll have our long recess on Friday 3rd July 2026 to Monday 3rd August 2026.

THIRD PART, Madam Speaker;

3. Tuesday 4th August 2026 to Thursday 22nd October 2026, the settings remain constant, then we have short recess thereafter on Friday 23rd October 2026 to Monday 2nd November 2026.

Lastly, that's part four, Madam Speaker;

4. Tuesday 3rd November 2026 to Thursday 3rd December 2026, thereafter we'll have a long recess which will commence on Friday 4th December 2026 to Monday 8th February 2027, and that's all.

Madam Speaker, note that the County Assembly may resolve to hold the sittings on other days outside this published calendar in accordance with the Standing Orders, that being the motion.

Madam Speaker, I therefore call upon Honourable Eunice Alandoh to second the motion, thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Yes, Honourable Eunice Alando,

Hon. Alandoh (Nominated Member): Madam Speaker, I rise to second the motion that has just been proposed that will guide us the way we will be moving and presenting businesses. It is in order that there will be a time when Members will be going for recess. Recess is very healthy because at times you find Members do attend the meetings throughout and that may not give them enough time to meet with the electorates. Because there is time that is set for us for recess, Members will get time to interact with their electorates. I second. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, a Motion has been moved seeking the Approval of the Calendar of the Assembly for the Fifth Session (Regular Session) and has been seconded, moved by the Deputy Leader of Majority Hon Lumumba and Hon Alando who is also a Member of the House Business Committee. I, therefore, want to propose that this motion be open for debate.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Yes, Honourable Emily Oginga.

Hon. Oginga (Nominated Member): Thank you Madam Speaker, going by the mood of the House, may I please request the Mover to reply?

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, a motion has been moved and seconded and I have just opened the Floor for discussion. Hon Members, the motion before us is the approval of the Calendar of the Assembly for the Fifth Session. Calendars have been revised before but looks like the Third Assembly is approving the Calendar as is. Hon Emily, having read the mood of the House, is calling upon the Mover to reply.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Is that the right position of the Assembly? Hon Lumumba Owade

The Deputy Leader of Majority (Hon. Owade, MCA, South East Nyakach): Thank you, Madam Speaker. The mere fact that the Members have kept silent means consent. I believe and trust there is nothing sinister about it but they are all in agreement that the Calendar is correct and proper before this House. Therefore, they have concurred. Madam Speaker, that being the case, I reply. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Thank you Honourable Members, a Motion on the Approval of the Calendar of the Assembly - that is our Regular Session for the Fifth Session has been moved, seconded unconditionally unanimously adopted by the House and replied upon. I hereby want to put a question;

(Question put and agreed to)

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, the Kisumu County Assembly Calendar that is for the Regular Session for the Fifth Session stands adopted today Thursday 19th February, 2026 at 15:03Hours and the Calendar stands adopted as follows;

THAT, the first part of it started on 10th February 2026 and will end on the 02nd April 2026 for a Short Recess which will run from 03rd April to Monday 20th April, 2026. We will reconvene on the 21st April, 2026 to Thursday 2nd July, 2026. Then, we will proceed for Long Recess from Friday 03rd July, 2026 to Monday 3rd July, 2026.

THAT, the third part of it begins on Tuesday 04th August, 2026 to Thursday 22nd October, 2026. We will have a Short Recess between 23rd October, 2026 to Monday 02nd November, 2026 before we come back for the final part of it which begins on the 03rd of November, 2026 to 3rd December, 2026 after which we will break for the long recess from Friday 4th December, 2026 to Monday 8th February, 2027.

I want to ask that the Office of the Clerk which may have the Calendar and facilitate the gazettelement of the same.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Next Oder!!

ADJOURNMENT

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, there being no any other business to be transacted, the House stands adjourned to Tuesday 24th February, 2025 at 2:30 p.m.

(House rose at 03:25 p.m.)

Addendum

Hansard Team

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APPENDIX

THIRD ASSEMBLY – FIFTH SESSION

SCHEDULE

CALENDAR OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY, 10 TH FEBRUARY, 2026 TO 08 TH FEBRUARY, 2026	
PERIOD	DAYS
FIRST PART	
Tuesday, 10 th February, 2026 to Thursday, 02 nd April, 2026	Tuesday, (Afternoon), Wednesday, (Morning and Afternoon) and Thursday, (Afternoon)
Short Recess	Friday, 03 rd April, 2026 to Monday, 20 th April, 2026
SECOND PART	
Tuesday, 21 st April, 2026 to Thursday, 02 nd July, 2026	Tuesday, (Afternoon), Wednesday, (Morning and Afternoon) and Thursday, (Afternoon)
Long Recess	Friday, 03 rd July, 2026 to Monday, 03 rd August, 2026
THIRD PART	
Tuesday, 04 th August, 2026 to Thursday, 22 nd October, 2026	Tuesday, (Afternoon), Wednesday, (Morning and Afternoon) and Thursday, (Afternoon)
Short Recess	Friday, 23 rd October, 2026 to Monday, 02 nd November, 2026
FOURTH PART	
Tuesday, 03 rd November, 2026 to Thursday, 03 rd December, 2026	Tuesday, (Afternoon), Wednesday, (Morning and Afternoon) and Thursday, (Afternoon)
Long Recess	Friday, 04 th December, 2026 to 08 th February, 2027