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(The Assembly met at 2:30 p.m. in the

County Assembly Mini Chamber at County Assembly Buildings)

[Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Serjeant-at-Arms kindly ring the bell for five minutes, quorum bell for five minutes.

(Quorum bell is rung)

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Serjeant-at-Arms kindly still ring for five minutes.

(Quorum bell is rung)

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Clerk.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): I can see that the program is way ahead, chair budget, I am aware you have a paper that you've not laid.

PAPERS

Hon. E. Kirui (Kimulot ward, UDA): Sorry Hon. Speaker I want to seek leave to approach your desk Hon. Speaker, may I approach your desk?

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Proceed then.

Hon. E. Kirui (Kimulot ward, UDA): Hon. Speaker I beg to table the following paper, the report of the committee on budget and appropriations report on the programs based MTEF budget estimates for the year ending 30th June 2025 for the county executive and the county assembly. Hon. Speaker I beg to table.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Proceed.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Hon. E. Kirui (Kimulot ward, UDA): Hon. Speaker I beg to give notice of the following motion, that pursuant to section 131,1 of the public finance management act of 2012 and standing order number 218,6 of the county assembly standing orders, this county assembly adopts the report of the committee on budget and appropriations on the budget estimates for the county government and county assembly tabled in the county assembly on Thursday 27th June 2024 Hon. Speaker I beg to table.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Proceed.

QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

Hon. J. Samoei, Deputy Leader of Majority (Nyangores ward, UDA): Mr. Speaker Sir, I rise to seek a comprehensive statement from the chairperson committee on energy, environment, water and natural resources on the accrued and rampant lack of water in Bomet town and its environs for the last three months. In the statement the chairperson should indicate the measures, short and long term that have been undertaken by Bomet water company and the department of water to ensure that the water is made available to the residents as soon as possible. The measure that the department of water has undertaken to curb any potential outbreak of waterborne diseases that are likely to be occasioned by the use of raw and untreated water Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you very much, Hon. Joseah Samoei you are seeking for a comprehensive statement from the chairperson committee on energy, environment, water and natural resources on the accrued and rampant lack of water in Bomet town and its environs for the last three months and also you've stated what the chairperson should indicate, short term and long term measures to be undertaken by Bomet water company and the department of water to ensure that the water is made available to the residents as soon as possible and also the measures that the department of water has undertaken to curb any potential outbreak of waterborne diseases that are likely to be occasioned by the use of raw and untreated water. Chair water Hon. Rosaline considering this is an urgent matter by the honorable member representing Nyongores ward, this should be expedited within seven days.

Hon. R. Cheptoo (Rongena/Manaret ward, UDA): Obligated.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you.

Hon. E. Kirui (Kimulot ward, UDA): Hon. Speaker I rise to seek leave and request you Hon. Speaker that you give direction on the notice of motion that I have given to allow us to dispense with the matter this afternoon. I seek your direction Hon. Speaker on the same, thank you Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you very much, honorable members the chair budget has actually laid the budget estimates for the financial year 2024/2025 and also laid before us after seeking leave the notice of motion and further to that he is also seeking leave of the Assembly that we discuss and debate on this matter today considering that today is 30th, not 30th, 27th, 30th will fall on Sunday, I think. So that we are in conformity with the law I grant the leave to the chair. I'll request that the Assembly business committee meets shortly after this. I therefore defer the sitting for the next thirty minutes to allow the Assembly business committee to meet and after that we will meet after thirty minutes as the Assembly after the supplementary order paper has been prepared for us so for now the Assembly is deferred for thirty minutes.

THE ASSEMBLY IS SUSPENDED FOR THIRTY MINUTES

THE ASSEMBLY RESUMES ITS 27TH AFTERNOON SESSION

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Majority Leader my I see you please. Before the motion I would like to see the majority leader.

MOTION

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Yes, motion mover.

Hon. E. Kirui (Kimulot ward, UDA): Thank you Hon. Speaker I rise to move the motion that pursuant to section 131,1 of the public finance management act of 2012 and standing order number 218,6 of the county assembly standing orders, this county assembly adopts the report of

the committee on budget and appropriations on the budget estimates for the county government and county assembly tabled in the county assembly on Thursday 27th June 2024.

Hon. Speaker before I give the report, I want to first start by thanking you for allowing me to give tis report this afternoon and secondly I want to take this opportunity also to give my deepest condolences to the families of the Kenyans who lost their lives over the week over the incident that happened in Nairobi and we hope that this can never happen, we can never get that as a country because we can always agree on many issues. Mr. Speaker we also want to thank His Excellency the President for finding wisdom in stopping the finance bill and sending it back to the national assembly though it has implications on us directly as a county but it is only wise that we listen to each other as a country.

Having said that Mr. Speaker I am delighted to give a report on the medium-term expenditure framework for the year ending 30th June 2025 on behalf of the Members of the Budget and Appropriation Committee and as required under standing order No. 199 I take this opportunity to present to the Assembly, the Committee's report on the Medium-Term Expenditure Framework for FY 2024/2025 and Annual Budget for the year ending 30th June, 2025 submitted to this County Assembly by the County Executive Committee Member for Finance on 30th April 2024 and tabled at the assembly on 15th May 2024.

Mr. Speaker Sir, the constitution and the PFM Act placed significant responsibilities on the County Assembly over the management of public resources particularly with regard to resource mobilization, allocation, monitoring and control.

Mr. Speaker my committee and the committee that I chair has been given a specific mandate to investigate, inquire into and report on all matters related to coordination, control and monitoring of the County Budget. To discuss and review the estimates and make recommendations to the County Assembly. Examine the County Fiscal Strategy Paper presented to the County Assembly. Examine Bills related to the County budget, including Appropriations Bills. Evaluate tax estimates, economic and budgetary policies and programs with direct budget outlays.

Mr. Speaker Sir, the provisions of Section 129 (1), (2), (3) of the PFM Act 2012, requires the County Executive Committee Member for Finance to submit the County Government Budget Estimates (excluding budget estimates for the assembly) to the County Assembly by the 30th April each year. Section 129 (3) of the Act provides that Each County Assembly Clerk shall prepare and submit to the County Assembly the budget estimates for the County Assembly and a copy submitted to the executive member for finance for his comments. The Act under Section 131 further states that, the County Assembly shall consider the budget estimates with a view to approving them, with or without amendments in time for the relevant appropriation law required to implement the budget to be passed by 30th June in each year.

In examination of the Bomet county budget estimate Mr. Speaker Sir, in line with the provisions of the Constitution and the PFM Act, the budget estimates for the two arms of County Government, namely The County Executive and The County Assembly were submitted to the County Assembly on 30th April 2024. Mr. Speaker sir, in reviewing the County Budget Estimates, the committee conducted a comprehensive consultative process which involved a public hearing conducted at the County Assembly Grounds on 4th June 2024 Mr. Speaker sir, the views from all the stakeholders greatly assisted my committee to make an informed decision on the budget estimates.

Therefore, at this point in time I want to acknowledge the members of my committee and the secretarial team that have helped us do this work and we want to say the county assembly budget

office and the entire team of the secretariat drawn from various departments from their technical and administrative support was helpful in this process.

As we proceed Mr. Speaker, an analysis of the budget, this was a program-based estimates are prepared in accordance with section 129(1) of the PFM Act, 2012, which states that the County Executive Member for Finance, shall submit to the County Executive Committee for its approval of the budget estimates...

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Order chair. Proceed chair.

Hon. E. Kirui (Kimulot ward, UDA): Thank you Hon. Speaker I was just mentioning that these are program-based Estimates are prepared in accordance with section 129(1) of the PFM Act, 2012, which states that the County Executive Member for Finance, shall submit to the County Executive Committee for its approval, the budget estimates and other documents supporting the budget of the government, excluding the county assembly. The draft bills at county level required to implement the county government budget, in sufficient time to meet the deadlines prescribed by this section.

We further did an analysis Mr. Speaker on various areas in terms of timely submission which was good, publication and publicization which was also seen to have scored very well. All revenue allocation from the national government over the medium-term including equalization fund and conditional grants, we also did an analysis of estimated expenditure by votes and by program clearly identifying both recurrent and development expenditure, on source revenue targets. This is the area where we had an issue and if we were to take a score Hon. Speaker a target of Kenya shillings 789million was way too ambitious noting that the highest ever recorded in the past seven years was at 242 million casting the doubts on the realization of the same.

The key issues or the salient issues that we sought to analyze in the budget was the;

- i) CECM for Finance and Economic Planning Memorandum on the compliance to the Resolution of the County Assembly adopted in the CFSP for FY 2024/2025
- ii) Over estimation of Own Source revenue target
- iii) Deviation from ceilings adopted in the County Fiscal Strategy Paper.
- iv) Variances in balances brought forward, conditional allocations, grants and loans from development partners
- v) Non-adherence to Fiscal Responsibility Principles
- vi) Budget Deficit

Hon. Speaker part of what informed this section of the memorandum by the CEC was that under Section 131 of the PFM Act 2012 requires the County Assembly to consider the County Budget Estimates and approve them with or without amendments. However, this prerogative by the application of PFM regulation 37 (1), limits the adjustments on any vote ceilings to a maximum of 1%.

The CECMF, however, submitted alongside the Estimates an explanatory memorandum on the resolutions adopted by the County Assembly on the CFSP for 2024/2025. The memorandum anchored itself on the County Assembly recommendation number 4 which required the CECMF to ensure that the County Medium Term Fiscal Strategy Paper 2024/2025 to adhere to the fiscal responsibility principles particularly section 107(2)(b) of the PFM Act, 2012 and PFM regulation 25(1)(g) that requires a minimum of thirty percent of the County government's budget to be allocated for development expenditure.

The CECMF submitted budget estimates with the following adjustments;

- i) Projected balances carried forward of KES 412,815,423
- ii) Projected own source revenue of KES 789,229,244
- iii) Conditional grants from National Government for Community Health Promoters of KES 57,815,423
- iv) Conditional grants from National Government for Libraries of KES 950,259
- v) Conditional allocations to County Governments from Loans and Grants from Development Partners of KES 929,842,941

On over estimation of own source revenue target the county Assembly reduced the proposed own source revenue target from KES 789 million and approved KES 609 million in CFSP 2024/2025. The submitted estimates however seek to reinstate the original County treasury's projections of KES 789 million. Such a huge target is way too ambitious. On source actuals for FY 2022/2023 was Kshs. 242 million an improvement from the previous FY but far cry from the new target. The import of this is that in the likely event that this projection is not attained, it will create a huge repercussion in service delivery.

On the deviation from CFSP ceilings. There is need to establish legal interpretation of the County Assembly's recommendation number 3 and 4 to determine whether the CECMF had express leeway to come up with new ceilings while making necessary readjustments to comply with the thirty percent allocation for development expenditure. For information purposes, however, budget office has come up with the following tabulated analysis indicating the proposed ceilings in the submitted CFSP, the approved ceilings as per recommendation number 3 and the deviations being sought by the CECMF in the newly proposed allocations in the submitted budget estimates.

Mr. Speaker I would seek to... because it is a tabular analysis of the same deviation, since the report has been shared to honorable members I will seek to jump because it is just a tabular analysis of the deviation and I will go straight Hon. Speaker to the variances in local revenue and just mention that in terms of local revenue there is also a deviation and Hon. Members felt that the given targets at 789 were way too high and the committee's recommendation looking at these figures especially around the deviation in terms of local on source revenue is that the CECM Finance, ICT and Economic Planning reinstated own source revenue projections of KES 789,229,244. The county Assembly had revised and set the OSR ceiling at KES 609,295,134. Balances carried forward of KES 412,815,423 has been introduced. These balances had not been anticipated in the CFSP. During the preparation of the CFSP, most of the commitments from Conditional Grants from Donors had not been realized. In the submitted budget estimates a total of KES 988,606,623 has been introduced as noted above Hon. Speaker.

In terms of adherence to fiscal responsibility principles it is a requirement that Adherence to Fiscal responsibility principles is governed under section 107 of the PFM Act 2012 and regulation 25 of the Public Finance Regulations. The law sets a maximum ceiling of 35% expenditure on personnel emoluments and minimum ceiling of 30% for expenditure on development as indicated Section 107(1) of the PFM Act, a County Treasury shall manage its public finances in accordance with the principles of fiscal responsibility set out in subsection (2), and shall not exceed the limits stated in the regulations. Number two Mr. Speaker, in managing the county government's public finances, the County Treasury shall enforce the following fiscal responsibility principles and I know we've always seen these that;

- i) The county government's recurrent expenditure shall not exceed the county government's total revenue; Provision not complied. Budgetary requirements for the two arms of the County Government exceeds the total revenue.

- ii) over the medium term a minimum of thirty percent of the county government's budget shall be allocated to the development expenditure; Provision complied.
- iii) the county government's expenditure on wages and benefits for its public officers shall not exceed a percentage of the county government's total revenue as prescribed by the County Executive member for finance in regulations and approved by the County Assembly;" This limit is specified in PFM regulation 25(1)(b). This Provision not complied with.

Mr. Speaker the committee on budget and appropriations conducted a public participation on 4th June 2024 at the assembly grounds, the following are the comments, concerns and views presented by the members of the public;

1. The public felt the need for the public participation to be decentralized to the wards level so as to Further, they proposed for enhanced publicity using various platforms as opposed to using only the leading newspapers as most people do not access the newspapers in the rural areas. They urge the Assembly to allocate more funds for public participation to achieve its purpose and intention as envisaged in the constitution and PFM Act
2. They aver that the balance brought forward should not be used as a basis for budget estimate but rather a supplementary budget should have been submitted for the funds to be absorbed in the budgeted year and should not forms part of the resource envelope of the current financial year, and that these funds should not be anticipated when preparing the budget estimates.
3. The members of the public took great exception on the meager allocation to tea buying centers and cattle dips. They affirm that the allocation is hardly enough and cannot bring any meaningful impact. They emphasize the need to give attention to agricultural sector since it plays a crucial role in the development of rural economies.
4. The public expressed concerns on the proposed allocation for sales yard and abattoirs (slaughterAssembly) as being low and hardly enough to construct even a single sales yard. They implore the committee to increase the allocation if meaningful development is to be achieved.
5. The public observed that traditionally the office of the Deputy Governor and the office of the attorney has been domiciled in the office the County Executive, they decry the separation that has been made complete with a separate budget for the two respective offices.
6. The allocation of KES 220 million for flagship projects in the department of economic planning leaves many questions unanswered as to the nature of the projects and where the projects will be done. They sought for further clarification on the specifics of huge allocations merely referred to as flagship projects.

SECTOR	PROPOSED BUDGET ESTIMATES FY2024/2025	APPROVED BUDGET ESTIMATES FY2024/2025
COUNTY EXECUTIVES	128,430,072	116,830,072
Personal emoluments	-	
Operation & maintenance	128,430,072	116,830,072
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY GOVERNOR	23,000,000	43,000,000
Personal emoluments	-	
Operation & maintenance	23,000,000	43,000,000
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY	18,000,000	13,350,000
Personal emoluments	-	
Operation & maintenance	18,000,000	13,350,000
PSB	35,323,982	23,798,200
Operation & maintenance	35,323,982	23,798,200
DEVOLUTION & SPECIAL PROGRAMS	76,342,859	46,342,859
Operation & maintenance	46,342,859	46,342,859
Development	30,000,000	-
ADMINISTRATION	180,693,432	139,473,432
Operation & maintenance	130,693,432	83,473,432
Development	50,000,000	56,000,000

PUBLIC SERVICE	2,235,804,795	2,213,752,795
Personal emoluments	2,005,600,000	2,014,648,000
Operation & maintenance	230,204,795	199,104,795

7. The members of the public had concerns on the initiated projects but has taken long to be completed some dating back to the onset of the devolution like Ward offices and the Governor’s residence yet resources are being appropriated for use in the said projects every financial year. They urge the executive to complete the projects to enhance services delivery to the public.

Hon. Speaker, Sir, I would not want to read out the CECs recommendation because they formed part of the final tally that we did on the budget. I will therefore go straight to the Committee’s recommendations.

Mr. Speaker, the Committee after considering all these matters came up with the following recommendations:

1. Upon considering submissions from various stakeholders, and other approved policy documents including CIDP, ADP, CFSP and submitted departmental draft work plans for FY 2024/2025 the Committee approved the budget and the attached departmental work plans for various spending units.
2. The Committee reduced the salaries by KES 64,152,000 meant for Sub-Ward Administrators who contracts have lapsed until new intent for recruitment had been submitted.

The following is the summary of approved allocation per spending unit.

ICT	57,869,433	40,670,000
Personal emoluments	500,000	500,000
Operation & maintenance	34,369,433	29,170,000
Development	23,000,000	11,000,000
FINANCE	204,000,000	193,885,173
Operation & maintenance	144,500,000	134,885,173

Development	59,500,000	59,000,000
ECONOMIC PLANNING	287,548,573	265,736,569
Operation & maintenance	67,548,573	95,736,569
Development	220,000,000	170,000,000
LANDS, HOUSING, URBAN & MUNICIPALITIES	335,839,492	315,420,289
Personal emoluments	40,000,000	40,000,000
Operation & maintenance	183,219,492	144,022,000
Development	112,620,000	131,398,289
GENDER, CULTURE AND SOCIAL SERVICES	40,698,254	52,625,184
Personal emoluments		
Operation & maintenance	33,724,698	45,651,628
Development	6,973,556	6,973,556
MEDICAL SERVICES & PUBLIC HEALTH	2,414,706,700	2,387,512,146
Personal emoluments	1,436,120,219	1,436,120,219
Operation & maintenance	800,672,863	786,391,927
Development	177,913,618	165,000,000
EDUCATION, VOCATIONAL TRAINING	437,706,001	479,237,070
Operation & maintenance	202,083,090	206,614,159
Development	235,622,911	272,622,911
YOUTH AND SPORTS	46,911,430	36,706,245
Operation & maintenance	26,611,430	28,706,245
Development	20,300,000	8,000,000
WATER SANITATION AND ENVIRONMENT	950,046,196	1,023,783,985
Operation & maintenance	111,946,212	133,789,842
Development	838,099,984	889,994,143
AGRICULTURE LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES	466,266,365	473,450,909
Operation & maintenance	37,445,456	16,040,000
Development	428,820,909	457,410,909
ROADS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORT	604,543,376	721,977,376

Operation & maintenance	101,858,165	75,792,165
Development	502,685,211	646,185,211
TRADE, ENERGY, TOURISM, INDUSTRY AND INVESTMENT	73,331,438	70,165,000
Personal emoluments	-	-
Operation & maintenance	14,831,438	11,365,000
Development	58,500,000	58,800,000
CO-OPERATIVES AND ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT	99,842,859	73,130,000
Operation & maintenance	29,342,859	20,530,000
Development	70,500,000	52,600,000
EXECUTIVE TOTAL	8,716,905,257	8,730,847,304
COUNTY ASSEMBLY	813,704,000	1,049,282,573
Personal emoluments	396,434,244	400,387,231
Operation & maintenance	377,269,756	398,071,324
Development	40,000,000	250,824,018
COUNTY TOTAL	9,530,609,257	9,780,129,877
Personal emoluments	3,878,654,463	3,891,655,450
Operation & maintenance	2,777,418,605	2,652,665,390
Development	2,874,536,189	3,235,809,037
Personal emoluments	41%	40%
Operation & maintenance	29%	27%
Development	30%	33%

At this point, I request my colleague and member of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations, Hon. Wesley Kiprotich to second the Motion. Thank you.

Hon. W. Kiprotich (Chepchas Ward, UDA): Hon. Speaker, allow me to first thank the Motion mover, Hon. E. Kirui, the Chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations for work well done and for leading the Committee to the extent to which they have produced what we can easily call a masterpiece.

Hon. Speaker, the budget making process, as I have realized, is a tedious exercise that requires a lot of balancing both resources and requirements. You will notice that in as much as we are still working on revenue ranging from equitable share, donors and grants and the local revenue, the resource envelop is at a time when the resources are scarce. You must have heard that at any given time in economics, resources are always scarce and because of the scarcity, the demands that we have will always surpass.

Owing to the fact that the President has addressed the nation and withdrawn the Finance Bill, 2024, the Commission on Revenue Allocation had given us an equitable share of Ksh. 7.2 Billion in Bomet. The rest will come from local revenue, grants and balances carried forward. To this effect, the President has alluded that we are going to cut on spending. This means that the budget that we are giving will go down by a particular percentage. We may not know that as at now.

Hon. Speaker, from what was given to us by the CECM in charge of Finance, we received a 30 per cent allocation to development. This Committee has worked around with figures and values and this Assembly is now presenting to the public and to the natives of Bomet a budget with a development percentage of 33 per cent. Hon. Speaker, this is not a mean achievement. To get a single per cent, bearing in mind that we had 27 per cent in the CFSP which we had requested the CECM in charge of Finance, to improve this under an amendment that was made in this particular Assembly to 30%, Mr. Speaker indeed as the memoranda from the CEC in charge of finance came to this particular Assembly indeed it was conforming with the amendment that we had been given but Mr. Speaker going back to check on the resources that had come alongside this we notice that the part of local revenue had been ballooned so that in as much we look back about 2-3 years backwards we were not able to achieve even half of what the revenue that the CEC in charge of Finance had given. Mr. Speaker in having particular agreeing with these particular members and the fact that the June allocations from the exchequer will not be achieved, then that is why we were not able to move some of the amount that is going to be carried forward so that it can be able to cure part of this.

Mr. Speaker, the operation and maintenance that came to us from the CEC in charge of Finance came at 29% and we have reduced it to around 27% that is 2.7 billion to 2.6 billion finally in parts of PE it is still remaining at around 40%. Mr. Speaker the biggest achievers of this particular budget in this particular sector if we were able to order it will be one in terms of health which is medical services; curative, preventive and even the drugs that are going to our hospital is taking

a whooping budget of 2.3 billion. Mr. Speaker that is not a main achievement Health is Wealth and Mr. Speaker this committee on budget and appropriation has allocated the Health Department a whopping 2.3 billion.

Mr. Speaker, road network as has been read by my chair is also a key achiever in this taking a development amount of 646 million. Mr. Speaker water is also a very big achiever in this and Mr. Speaker you will notice that there are so many sponsors and development partners that are bringing in much on this in terms of environment and climate change. Water in this particular budget Hon Speaker is taking 889 million, the development part in parts of Education of which they are a lot that is going to operation and maintenance education is taking a development part of 272 million. I will not be able to mention all of them Agriculture which is the backbone of our economy Mr. Speaker in Kenya is taking 457 million.

To all this Hon Speaker this particular budget is addressing each and every department preferably as per the requirement and not per as the enormous amount of resources that are always required to this particular extent I would also like to thank the members of the budget and appropriations committee for bringing us this particular aspect of budget that we are presenting to the Assembly today with a purpose of approving it and giving executive time to deliver to our people. Mr. Speaker I therefore second.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you very much Chair budget and appropriations committee Hon Eric Kirui; also, the seconder of the motion honorable Kiprotich Wesley who is also a member of budget and appropriation committee. I therefore propose Pursuant to section 131 part 1 of the public finance management act 2012 and Standing Order no 218 part 6 of the county assembly Standing Orders., this county assembly adopts the reports of the budget and appropriation committees on the budget estimate for the County Government and County Assembly tabled in the County Assembly on Thursday 27th June 2024. Honourable members the floor is now open for debate on this budget the report by the budget and appropriations committee. Honorable Nathan Kibet.

Hon. N. Kibet (Kapletundo ward, UDA): Thank you honorable Speaker I rise to support the motion moved by Chair budget. Honorable Speaker I first of all start by congratulating the chair and the committee for coming up with this wonderful report. Honorable Speaker, for the first time in this budget at least the development is at 33% which is a record high as compared to previous budget. Honorable Speaker, I want to please that the executive to do their part which is

implementation honorable members I think this time round our focus more should be on implementation because I was even seeing some minutes ago honorable Speaker in our sub group in my ward people were tagging me on projects which they need to be done so my request is that the executive arm of government should ensure that implementation is done to the rather. Honorable Speaker, I also want to thank the committee for being realistic again when it comes to the revenue target. The revenue target that was given by the executive was 789 million. Honorable Speaker, 789 million can be realistic so I want to thank the committee for at least reducing to a more reasonable figure of 455 million honorable Speaker, I support this motion. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you very much honorable Nathan Kibet. Honorable Rosaline.

Hon. R. Cheptoo (Rongena/Manaret ward, UDA): Thank you honorable Speaker I also rise to support the report of the county budget and appropriations committee for the budget estimate for the County Government. Allow me honorable Speaker to also comment on some of the departments especially starting with Water where I Chair. I believe you are aware that the department of Water is the one which benefit a lot in the budget and I must say that in Bomet County we have been facing a lot of challenge for the last 4 or 3 months Bomet town have suffered a lot because of lack of water. We have considered acquisition of meters of 20 million to non-revenue meters. We have realized that in our county most of the people getting water which are not metered so we budgeted about 20 million for the same .We also consider acquisition of solarization of water scheme especially for Bomet I think it is ongoing .We budgeted about 112 for Bomet and even Sotik ,Also the issue of pipeline extension we also gave about 75 million water harvesting and storage 60 million and the issue of Bomet company where we normally give about 100 million for subsidies we gave them 50 million considering that when the solarization is already the issue of electricity will be reduced also in the department of economic planning since am the member from Sotik sub county and we are lucky to be given the industrial park we also consider it giving about 120 million, some merging funds as you are aware that the national government will be giving out 250 million and so expect 250 million for our county, so we start with Ksh. 120 million.

In the department of cooperative this financial year we were not able to give out money for development but for the next financial year we were able to give them about 52 million for

development. Another department is the department of gender culture and social services, we give them for gender mainstreaming and women empowerments about 11million and for social protection support for the people living with disability and children as you are aware yesterday you had some visitors in your office and the officials of people living with disabilities and most of them were suggesting that since they have international day of persons with disability which normally happens on 15th April every year so they were suggesting that they be given that opportunity to celebrate their day so we consider in the budget giving them a million for that day because they feel they have been left out and as the budget committee we feel that we should support them and give them that amount for celebration. So, I must say that we tried our best as the committee and we believe that budgeting this money, we expect the executive in every department to ensure that they observed the money and do the right thing. We will do our part as the oversight to ensure that the money which has given or appropriated are being used properly. I support.

Hon Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Honorable Josphat.

Hon. J. Kipkirui (Singorwet ward, INDEPENDENT): Thank you very much honorable speaker, I also rise to support the motion before us this afternoon. Mr. Speaker, we are happy that as the financial year is ending, we have something to show for the next financial year Mr. Speaker and I want to thank the committee for having us spared good time to make sure we have well balanced budget. Mr. Speaker allow me to speak to few issue that the emerged in the process of processing this budget one Mr. Speaker this is a very difficult task Mr. Speaker which require that in the coming or in the subsequent budget process Mr. Speaker it is good that we do a lot during the CFSB process Mr. Speaker so that we don't shoulder a lot of work at the budgeting level Mr. Speaker.

It is also important to note that most of the work are left out to be done by the budget and appropriation committee Mr. Speaker which should be otherwise have been done from the executive side and I know the members of the budget and appropriation committee can attest to this fact Mr. Speaker, we also notice that there are a lot of public outcry on the nature and manner in which publicity of some of this documents revolving around the budget is done and I want to implore the relevant department Mr. Speaker to ensure that this documents are made available at the website so that they can be able to access and follow on what on what is to be planned for them. Mr. Speaker, it is also important to note that the CEC in charge of Finance or

the department of finance anticipating the balances brought forward Mr. Speaker to form part of the resource envelope I believe from my view it is a very wrong approach to budgeting which going forward they should reconsider leaving balances brought forward so that as we transit we are able to do a supplementary budget and plan for those particular monies because at some time, some of those money has been committed to projects Mr. Speaker and it will be wrong to have them forming part of the resource envelope. Mr. Speaker, we also realize that a close review of the budget that we are in 2023/2024 Mr. Speaker, if we closely look at the last budget or the budget that we are almost ending Mr. Speaker I think we have a lot of questions than answers Mr. Speaker and this time round we want to urge the executive to really move swiftly at the onset of financial year so that they are able to implement a lot of the work that have been captured Mr. Speaker for instance there are some of the department that will visit a particular ward Mr. Speaker and you will find not a single project of what has been highlighted which is quite unfortunate.

Mr. Speaker going forward again I believe from observation it will be important for his excellency the Governor to reconsider having some of the departments because the kind of allocation that will put in those departments Mr. Speaker for purposes of development, is way below the cost that is incurred in running those particular departments Mr. Speaker. A case in point is the department of ICT Mr. Speaker where we have a whopping 29,670,000 allocated for PE and O&M. Mr. Speaker that is the whole cost of just running an office and what we will expect in return for development is 11million Mr. Speaker which in my view it should be reconsidered also Mr. Speaker.

Lastly, a close look also into this budget Mr. Speaker reveals a lot of discrepancies in the manner or in the programs that we expect at our respective wards Mr. Speaker and I think there has to be an equalization formula Mr. Speaker such that those wards which have less programs so that we run from a level of equality Mr. Speaker so as to also avoid a lot of marginalization and complaints from what we have.

I am happy that we have been looking at a formula of reaching into a consensus so that we have equality across our wards and we appreciate the fact that we are speaking in one voice as a Assembly and how I wish that the discussions that are on course, will yield some fruits so that we also have a better style of monitoring issues revolving around implementation. Mr. Speaker there is a lot in this budget if we really want to urge the executive to move and consider

implementing on time so that we avoid excuses and allow the time when we are ascending towards the end of a financial year, we avoid issues of rush to see that some of the projects has been done. Otherwise I support this motion and I urge all members to consider supporting. Thank you very much.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Honorable Kipchirchir

Hon P. Ronoh (Kipsonoi ward, UDA) Thank you Mr. Speaker I also rise to support the adoption of the report from the committee on budget and appropriation, honorable Speaker I have read through the report and allow me to make a suggestion that as we adopt the report Mr. Speaker I really ask in your own wisdom that we consider an amendment to the same report. Mr. Speaker the Honorable Nathan Kibet from Kapletundo did say that it might not be realistic to collect 789 million as own source revenue Mr. Speaker and I know the reason. The revenue streams outlined in the finance bill of 2021 that is in use at now has got streams that can generate more than a billion Mr. Speaker. The saddest truth is that we are short of personnel who are supposed to do the collection of revenue. Mr. Speaker you can realize that the element of PE in the just tabled document is hereby made or tailored together for only the persons already serving. Mr. Speaker there is no provision for finances that should be used to hire the youths Mr. Speaker you know some members are getting out of service through natural aggression, some are retiring, some are resigning, some are changing pastures.

Mr. Speaker there should be a provision in the a same budget that allows the county government to procure youth for jobs ,to advertise for jobs for our youths Mr. Speaker Bomet county government is government like any other government at one point or at any given time Mr. Speaker our youths need to be employed when you look at members or the staff that are serving as the revenue collection officers Mr. Speaker most of them are casuals and I urge them that ought to have been completed longtime ago .The members ought to have been confirmed as permanent staff so that they serve diligently we also have some enforcement officers who are also serving as casuals we need to amend this report to make a provision and additional provision for PE so that the following or the stated cadres are employed. Mr. Speaker you will also find that I did attend a meeting at the governors' auditorium when he held a meeting with the revenue directors of different departments to talk on revenue collection. Mr. Speaker, the director revenue was asked a question that how many businesses do we have in Bomet and I can recall he said around 6,000 but the governor himself using the sub wards administrators Mr. Speaker did a

survey and gave an outright answer that the actual number of businesses in Bomet County is 27,700 so Mr. Speaker we need to find a budget for employing some people that will help coordination of government functions right from the grassroots upward from the department of administration, department of revenue collection we also have deficit of persons in the department of agriculture so am asking Mr. Speaker if time may allow, that we move an amendment to adjust the allocation on P.E. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you very much. Honorable Ernest.

Hon. E. Kipkemi (Mogogosiek UDA): Thank you very much Mr. Speaker for this opportunity to also support the report by my committee on budget and appropriations. Mr. Speaker I must say that this budget has come at a time when we are going through a lot of economic difficulties in our country with the recent rejected finance bill Mr. Speaker by the people of Kenya Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker we have endeavored to and before that let me comment the chair of my committee for having steered and taken us through this budget, I must admit Mr. Speaker being one of the members of budget committee that this was one of the most difficult budget to make M. Speaker, we really spend a lot of time and because of the reason that has been given in this report Mr. Speaker that has been mentioned as the salient issues that made I difficult or that are almost took us 4 days Mr. Speaker trying to look at how to come up with a practical and realistic budget for 2024/2025.

After even mentioning that Mr. Speaker, despite all those that we were able to sit and do our part as the committee on budget. Mr. Speaker one of the things that I must note in this budget Mr. Speaker is one on health. Mr. Speaker you realize that we currently have primary health care workers that rare going by the name community health promoters, before Mr. Speaker there are some who were left or who were not captured and therefore they were not receiving Stipends in that case Mr. Speaker in this budget we were able to move the budget from 115 million that were in the estimate to a tune of 148 million Mr. Speaker to gather for those who were captured in the last budget or in this current budget that is running Mr. Speaker that is about to end.

Mr. Speaker also of worth noting is on education Mr. Speaker. Bursaries to our learners in secondary school Mr. Speaker, we were able to move again from the estimates which had given a figure of 75 million to 105 million which is a positive deviation Mr. Speaker and in such a manner we ensure that we have more of our learners benefiting from these Bursaries. Mr. Speaker also is on the bursary on the VTC trainees. Mr. Speaker this is the second-year running

having this bursary in our budget which will go a long way in assisting those learners from our villages who are learning in our vocational training centers. Mr. Speaker I would also mention that again in this budget we were able also to increase on VTC classrooms so that as we give more bursaries to the VCT trainees and the increment that is brought about by the bursaries that we give out, we should also be able to budget for the classrooms and the workshops Mr. Speaker and I am happy that in this budget we were able to allocate to a tune of 33 million for the construction of VTC classrooms and also the workshops that is 8 million for the workshops and 25 million for classrooms which is a million per ward Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker I am also happy this time round were able to budget for the pending bills Mr. Speaker the commitments that we have in our budget for example in Education we were able to give a budget line for pending bills and we gave 35 million because in this current running budget Mr. Speaker you realize that the actual projects that we receive in our wards Mr. Speaker it also happens that even some wards missed out in ECDE constructions. This has been compensated here in allocating money for the pending bills or pending commitments. Mr. Speaker also I would want to thank the drafters of this budget because at least with the newly proposed urban centers or town centers across our wards, it happens that Mogogosiek is one of those centers that was upgraded to towns and in this budget Mr. Speaker allocating a million for the construction and upgrading of urban access roads in our towns and especially in this case Mogogosiek town will go a long way in ensuring that our town achieved certain status that have been upgraded to.

Mr. Speaker also in this budget a worth noting also is building or the constructions or the development of cottages industries. Mr. Speaker you realize that we were able to allocate money or resources to development of cottages industries in our wards. This will also help to ensure that our youths get to be employed. This will create employment for our youths across our wards Mr. Speaker and I also want to comment as I end on matters revenue collection. Mr. Speaker the main challenge to creation of pending bills or pending commitments to even unrealized development in our wards is majorly caused by unrealistic targets or unrealistic revenue targets Mr. Speaker and even in this budget that we have been making you realize that we have been able to do the maximum that we have been able to collect is 230 million Mr. Speaker and now giving a figure of all revenue to a tune 455 million is a tall order for us and it is only that we are praying God and I don't know how it will happen because it will require I don't know magic or

prayers Mr. Speaker because we are coming from a backdrop of failed financial bill at the National assembly Mr. Speaker. I don't know how we will be able to raise ours to get to that tune of 455m. Mr. Speaker we are only praying even the sharable revenue or the equitable revenue Mr. Speaker which we are able to estimate at...

Hon. D. Ngeno, (Deputy Minority Whip; Kongasis ward, CCM): At Ksh. 702 million Mr. Speaker, we are still praying and hoping that we realize the same, so that at least we can realize development across our wards and my last plea Mr. Speaker, I hear one of my colleagues Hon Kipchirchir from Kipsonoi has proposed more addition or amendment to be, I think he is giving someone a signal to move a motion on amending a section of this and it is my humble plea that the wage bill in our county is ever ballooning. Even if you look at this one before even, we talk about amending, there is already an additional Ksh.150 million into the bill which will affect development and even reduce the percentages on development. So, it is my humble plea that we ask the members, now that the president has asked us that we live within our means, which I know it will affect the operation and maintenance, more hires means again that we will have more trouble for us. Thank you very much Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker, (Hon. C. Korir): Honorable Benard Langat.

Hon. B. Langat (Kembu ward, UDA): Thank you very much Mr. Speaker, for giving me this opportunity. Allow me to support the motion which has been raised by the Budget Committee led by our own Eric Kirui, I have been part of this budget making process and I want to thank the committee for commitment which they put in place to make sure this budget is realized. Only the question which come into our mind, since this is the end of 2023/2024 in the budget process and now, we are beginning a budget of 2024/2025, Mr. Speaker the Generation Z could ask why you are now coming up with a budget of around 9 billion, the question is, the last year's 8 billion, what did you realize as Bomet? That come to us as the oversight department of Bomet County. For the last three months we have been having a problem of water shortage in Bomet. I will like to comment this committee of budget on relocating the money on water department and I must thank them for putting a good allocation to this department of water of which at least this problem of water shortage could have been solved for the entire financial year. Also Mr. Speaker, I want to recommend allocation on the department of Health of which we will realize in our health centers we will be having medication across all our sub-health sectors across our ward, also we have our department of roads which we put good allocation of around 600 million, the

question is also the last financial year most of our wards did not get any road construction across different wards of which we had allocated some of our good money in last financial year, only my urge as a member of county assembly representing a ward called Kembu, on this financial year we expect this allocation we have put this department to make sure that we rule out the road construction across our wards. I must thank His Excellency Governor for having come with the recommendation of having the machines to be bought. Now that those machines Mr. Speaker, we have tried to allocate some of the money on the machine and also as the budget committee we have recommended some of the roads to be contracted such that when the machine will not be in a given ward the other contractors will be working on a different ward. This will help us to realize development across our wards. As far as the Governor will wish to have flagship project of which we must thank him for having flagship project across different wards and sub-counties for example Central, we have the medical Chesoan, Kapkoros health facility, Ndanai, same case to Longisa, that is Bomet East. We will wish, because I will not be clapping as a member of county assembly from Kembu over a project which is in Ndanai whereas people whom am representing are not having any project. This committee has ensured that some of the allocation in development will be happening in my ward as far as the flagship project is concern, it will help us as member of county assembly to have that realization in different wards that we have a person who is representing us, because the interest of a different ward is not the interest of my ward. So, this budget has ensured that all the wards will have some of the projects to be taken as far as the flagship is continues. I support this budget of 2024/2025 100%. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Honorable Mutai.

Hon. P. Mutai (Sigor ward, UDA): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I wish also to applaud the work did by the Committee on Budget and Appropriation, I think you have heard from the honorable members who have spoken that they have done their part and it was actually a very tedious work the whole of last week and partly yester night Mr. Speaker, we were still deliberating on the same issue, I wish also to make some few comments on this budget, one is that, this is a very important document that it has actually reflected mirrors, some of the departments one is gain PWDs as you have heard from other honorable members this is the budget that is actually for the first time PWDs and their national day was actually recognized under this budget and we applaud the committee for factoring in the PWDs. Mr. Speaker, some other departments as you have heard in this budget for the first time since we came to the office the pending bills was also

recognized in this budget so in other words, since time is not with us as you have heard from Members that when that time comes we shall request to make some amendments in some areas and I wish to highlight those areas ;the reinstating of Ksh. 64 million which was made for the Sub-ward administrator, should not be reduce since the structure is legally provided for in the Bomet County coordination of government functions, amendment act of 2019 to allow for the immediate filling of the existence vacancies and to allow the smooth service delivery, you will also find Mr. Speaker that in the budget, the whole thing in the budget is well presented which it started by applauding the committee for coming up with the very good budget but you will find some few things which require some amendment and I think we shall request to amend it when we shall be on the committee of supply. Otherwise Mr. Speaker I wish to support the motion.

Hon. Speaker, (Hon. C. Korir): Honorable Dennis.

Hon. D. Ngeno, (Deputy Minority Whip; Kongasis ward, CCM): Thank you very much Mr. Speaker for also giving me this opportunity to support the motion by honorable Kirui the Chair budget. First am a very worried man speaking today this is my third budget passing today and there is not much going on in the ground and there is something Mr. Speaker that I really wish this Assembly can consider and take it into consideration, as we speak today am almost completing the budget process and firstly the budget, the next face of the budget is an Appropriation Bill and am very sure we will pass it. The face which is almost and more misunderstood is the implementation today as we speak the only CEO and CECs in the ground Mr. Speaker, is the MCA. The MCA will have to answer every budget in the ministry and every project that is being undertaken in every department, so it is my worry that this MCAs seated here have the responsibility that is supposed to be taken by the CEOs and the CECs in the department Mr. Speaker. Today as we speak nobody in my ward no one knows the CECs, talk of the road CEC talk of any department you may think of Mr. Speaker but the MCA is the Minister and is also the MCA where are we heading Mr. Speaker? Because how can I be able to pass the budget, give them the money and also go back to the ground and answer the questions, why the implementation is not being done. Mr. Speaker, so as I pass this budget which was done very well by my learned friend Hon Eric, am very sure I have done my constitutional part. The sensitization in the ground is not done, the people in the ground knows that the MCA is the one passing the budget and the one implementing the budget. Mr. Speaker, so it is my plea that the sensitization and the civil training in the ground to be done and the electorates to understand our

roles as the assembly. The generation z, have taken over and they are trying their best to bring the government into action, if we are not careful Mr. Speaker these Gen Z will come to this Assembly and we will be the next victim, I saw today Bungoma County what happen and it might happen to us. So, before we go to that direction, we need to at least give the information to the public and tell them what the purpose of this Assembly. Because we have misunderstood that we are the ones passing the budget and we are the one implementing the budget Mr. Speaker. Let the CEC of roads, water and trade own their work, I have never seen them even a single day go to press and give the report to the public Mr. Speaker. The public does not know they exist. So I wonder why we give them the authority, money, budget, implementation and the reporting to our electorate is very poor, so it is my plea that as we move forward let's give information to the public, the real information in the ground and the real function of this Assembly, so that Mr. Speaker, so that we are not passing this budget then we go to the ground and they use the same budget to intimidate us. Finally Mr. Speaker before I conclude, I wish to urge all this members in the Assembly, the budget committee went on a retreat and came up with this report coming to the Assembly it is my plea when the committee goes and write the report let them give us the report and at least give other members to contribute on the report before because one thing I realized the budget committee have been the one giving us more details about the report and they know the report. It could have been us at least contributing more on the report apart from them Mr. Speaker. Otherwise Mr. Speaker I support the report and I wish to urge the members we rally together and pass the report Mr. Speaker. Thank you very much.

Hon. Speaker, (Hon. C. Korir): Honorable Deputy Speaker.

Hon. L. Rotich, (Deputy Speaker; Chesoen ward, UDA): Okay thank you Mr. Speaker for this opportunity. I want to first of all thank the budget committee for the good work they did in coming up with this budget, I also want to call the work that receive the piece of this formation of this budget where the sectoral committees sat and outline the work plans in each of the departments and zeroed it in to all the twenty-five words which in think it did form the formation of this budget Mr. speaker sir. Budgetary process Mr. Speaker is actually the beginning of tackling of the performance of all the departments in Bomet County. From the budget which has been read by the chair of budget has actually showed us that there are some of the departments which actually gained and if a department gained this should be reflected in the performance of the service delivery in the County, but am also worried Mr. speaker for those departments which

got the cut in the budget proposed bill. It tells us in this Assembly we need to be worrying on how they will be delivering their services. So that should we realize that they are not performing such departments can be considered in supplementary budgetary processes. Mr. Speaker, in our County for example, the department of ICT, we are intending to improve the revenue collection in the county and ICT department will play a greater role in ensuring that the revenue is collected. Mr. Speaker sir that department was allocated only eleven million in development. So, we need to go to the other side and also wish to see how the department will be performed should we realize that it is not performing well such departments shall be needs to perform. There is also the department of health which actually takes the largest percentage of revenue allocation in the county. In the budgetary process which is just been in the budget which has just been read there was a slide reduction Mr. speaker. In such a reduction we know that department of health is now going into collecting its own revenue in what we call FIF that is Facility Improvement Fund which will be collected which will be collected in the facility and it will remain there. We as Members of this Assembly we need to help such departments so that they are able to collect revenue in their departments. Am worried whether the budget committee considered this. There are also flagship projects which largely they are seen in the department of health and we would wish that such projects will go into completion so that it would improve the health provision in this County. There is also department of Gender which has been talked about largely and am happy at that the department or rather the committee on budget saw it fits that the budget proposal for this department was improved but what the department proposed is not commensurate to the money allocated to the development. I have checked what they intent to do and six million, nine hundred and seventy three thousand five hundred and fifty six allocated to development will do very little Mr. Speaker sir, we need to know also that department of gender received the library services from the national government and in our county only one library is operational so this department will is actually required to make other libraries operational there is a library which is been completed in Kembu Ward that is Koibeyon Library which has been completed it needs equipping so that it carries out its functions as a social Library. In Chesoen ward there is also a proposal of building a library which the project has seen stalled for very many years now Mr. Speaker. There is also Siongiroi Multipurpose Hall which has stalled, there is Mokimeny Library which has also stalled we expect that our budget would have considered the completion of these projects Mr. Speaker. Otherwise I want to recommend that should we

consider amendments Mr. Speaker I will urge this Assembly so that we pass the amendments. Otherwise I want to thank the budget committee for coming up with very elaborate budget which will see provision of services in Bomet County improved. Thank you Mr. Speaker sir and I support.

Hon. Speaker, (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you very much Honorable Deputy Speaker. Thank you very much all the members who contributed on this very important motion that was moved by the Chair Budget and Appropriation Committee Honorable Eric Kirui, and also which was seconded by Kiprotich and all the Members who contributed on this. I now put the question that Pursuant to section 131 part 1 of the public finance management Act 2012 and standing order 218 part 6 of the County Assembly standing orders this County Assembly adopt the report of the County Budget and Appropriation Committee on the Budget estimate for the County Government and tabled in County Assembly on Thursday 27th June 2024.

(Question put and agreed)

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Hon. P. Kirui; (Leader of Majority, Ndanai/Abosi ward, UDA): A Honorable speaker I beg to move the following procedural motion that notwithstanding the resolution made on 28th February 2024 at 2.30 pm approving the county assembly calendar regular session 2014 and pursuant to standing order 33 (C) this county assembly resolves to sit on Tuesday 2nd July 2024 9.30 am. Honorable speaker since we are supposed to proceed for recess according to the calendar at least there is some business that we are supposed to deliberate so it has administrated that we have a sitting next week Tuesday 2nd July so that we deliberate on that business line. We are supposed to have CECs coming to the Assembly next week to highlight some areas and especially lot by the venue raising measures that is the CEC for finance and other CECs so I beg this Assembly that we approve this date so that we come here to sit and may be have those CECs in the Assembly. I beg honorable Dennis to second.

Hon D. Ngeno (Deputy Minority Whip, Kongasis ward, CCM): Thank you very much Mr. speaker as you can see there is a lot of improvements this time round, we have decided that when the majority wing is giving out the motion especially the procedural ones, we have been the one seconding. So I want to second motion read out by the Majority Leader and Mr. Speaker as you know from today we are supposed to close and go for our long recess and it's our plea that next week on Tuesday we will have the appropriation bill and the same time Mr. speaker we are

requesting that because the CEC finance had requested to come and give us a report on revenue raising measures Mr. Speaker, we can give him a chance to come to this Assembly, Mr. Speaker, on a regular session so that we can give him time to explain to the Assembly on this revenue raising measures. I urge the Assembly that we approve that we come back here on Tuesday Mr. Speaker so that we can deliberate on the same. Otherwise, honorable members please let us support the motion given by the honorable Majority Leader. Thank you very much I second.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you very much Majority Leader and the Minority Whip for moving the procedural motion to extend this time instead of the assembly moving to recess as from today and for it to have a sitting on Tuesday next week because of the pending business. Honorable members note again that next week if approved we still have business of the whole Assembly if the amendments and such that will be the perfect time to do that. Thanks again minority whip for seconding that motion. I therefore propose that notwithstanding the resolution made on 28th February 2024 at 2.30 pm approving the County Assembly calendar regular session 2014 and pursuant to standing order 30-part 3c this County Assembly resolves to sit on Tuesday 2nd July 2024 9.30 am in the morning. Honorable members the floor is open for debate. Reading from the mood of the Assembly I have just noted that the members are getting tired I know you have not had lunch; you are very tired. I therefore quickly put the question that that notwithstanding the resolution made on 28th February 2024 at 2.30pm, approving the county assembly calendar regular session 2014 and pursuant to standing order 30-part 3c this county assembly resolves to sit on Tuesday 2nd July 2024 9.30 am.

(Question put and agreed)

Honorable members following the procedural motion that has been moved by the Majority leader, we are not proceeding for recess as of today. But we have special sitting on Tuesday 2nd July at 9.30 am.

(Adjournment)

This sitting is adjourned until 2nd July.

The Assembly rose at 4:48 PM