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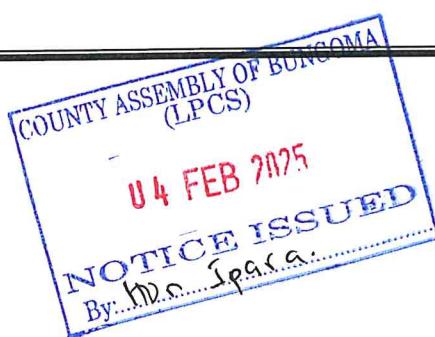
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COMMITTEE ON LANDS, URBAN, PHYSICAL PLANNING AND HOUSING

REPORT ON THE VETTING OF THE NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT AS MEMBERS OF BUNGOMA AND KIMILILI MUNICIPALITY BOARDS.

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CHAPTER ONE

1.0 PREFACE

Pursuant to Article 179(2) (b) of the Constitution, Section 30 (2) (d) of the County Governments' Act, 2012 and Section 4 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, His Excellency the Governor nominated ten persons for appointment as board members for Bungoma and Kimilili Municipalities respectively.

On Thursday, 16th January, 2025, pursuant to Standing Order 45(2) of the county Assembly of Bungoma, names of the nominees were committed to the Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning and Housing for vetting and reporting to the House within twenty-one (21) sitting days; pursuant to section 9 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 and Standing Order 208(4).

Subsequently, the Clerk of the County Assembly while complying with Section 7 (10) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, placed an advertisement in the print media on Friday 17th January, 2025; inviting the public to submit memoranda by way of written statements on oath (affidavits) on the suitability or otherwise of the nominee as stipulated in the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017. As at the date of the approval hearing, the County Assembly had not received any petition.

The Clerk of the County Assembly through an advertisement in the print media on Friday 17th January, 2025, notified the public that the Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning and Housing would conduct the approval hearing for the nominees on Tuesday 28th and Wednesday 29th January, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. respectively. This was in fulfilment of the provisions of Article 196 (1) of the Constitution, Section 7(5) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 and Standing Order 56(3).

The first five nominees for Bungoma Municipality appeared before the Committee as scheduled on Tuesday, 28th January, 2025 while the other five nominees for Kimilili municipality appeared on 29th January, 2025 for approval hearing in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 and the County Assembly Standing Orders.

1.1 Establishment and Mandate of the Committee

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The Sectoral Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical planning and Housing was constituted pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 217(1) of the County Assembly of Bungoma Standing Orders and executes its mandate in accordance with Standing order 217(5) which provides that, the functions of a sector committee shall be to-

- a) Investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations, coordination, control and monitoring of budget;
- b) Consider quarterly reports of the assigned departments and report to the House within twenty-one (21) sitting days upon being laid;
- c) Study the program and policy objectives of departments and the effectiveness of the implementation;
- d) Study and review all county legislation referred to it;
- e) Study, access and analyze the relative success of the departments as measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;
- f) 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;
- g) vet and report on all appointments where the constitution or any law requires the House to approve, except those under Standing Order 208 (Committee on Appointments); and
- h) Make reports and recommendations to the House as often as possible, including recommendation of proposed legislation.

1.2 METHODOLOGY

The committee applied the following methods to come up with this report;

I. Committee meetings

II. Conducting vetting exercise publicly in the County Assembly plenary

III. Perusing and analyzing testimonials and other documents for the nominees

IV. Receiving and considering oral views and written submission from the nominees

1.3 TERMS OF REFERERENCE

1. To consider and vet the nominees for the position of the members of the Bungoma and Kimilili Municipality Boards
2. To make relevant recommendations on the respective nominees for consideration and adoption by the County Assembly.

1.4 TOOLS OF REFERENCE

The committee made reference to the following documents to inform its observations, findings and recommendations;

1. The Constitution of Kenya, 2010
2. The County Governments Act, 2012
3. County Assembly of Bungoma Standing Orders
4. The Public Appointments (County Assemblies) Approval Act, No. 5 of 2017
5. The Urban Areas and Cities Act of 2019
6. Submissions from the Bungoma County Public Service Board (CPSB)

1.5 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Mr. Speaker Sir, the committee as currently constituted comprises the following members;

1. Hon. Francis Chemion -Chairperson
2. Hon. Johnston Ipara -Vice Chairperson
3. Hon. Wafula Waiti -Member
4. Hon. Benjamin Otsiula -Member
5. Hon. Cornelius Makhanu -Member
6. Hon. Ali Machani -Member
7. Hon. George Makari -Member
8. Hon. Hentry Nyongesa -Member
9. Hon. Polycarp Kimeta -Member
10. Hon. Jeremiah Kuloba -Member
11. Hon. Busolo Sudi -Member
12. Hon. Aggrey Mulongo -Member
13. Hon. James Mukhongo -Member
14. Hon. Joan Kirong -Member
- 15. Hon. Edwin Opwora -Member**

1.6 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I therefore take this opportunity to acknowledge all Members of the Committee for their input and valuable contributions and time during the approval hearing and deliberations during the compilation of this report. The Committee also takes this opportunity to thank the Offices of the Speaker and of the Clerk of the County Assembly for the technical support accorded to it during the exercise.

On behalf of the Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning and Housing and pursuant to section 14(3) (b) of the County Governments Act, 2012, section 9(1) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 and the provisions of Standing Order 202 (7), it is now my duty and privilege to present to the House, the report of the committee on Lands, Urban Physical planning and Housing on the ten nominees for the position of members to Bungoma and Kimilili municipality boards.

Signature..... Date ..27.1.25.....
Hon. Francis Chemion

Chairperson, Committee on Lands, Urban Physical planning and Housing.

1.6 COMMITTAL OF THE NAMES OF THE NOMINEES TO THE COMMITTEE ON LANDS, URBAN, PHYSICAL PLANNING AND HOUSING.

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 13 and 14 of the Urban Areas and Cities (Amendment) Act, 2019, on the 9th December, 2024, 13th December, 2024 and 13th January, 2025, His Excellency the Governor and the Secretary/CEO, County Public Service Board conveyed messages vide letters addressed to the Clerk to County Assembly reference Nos. CG/BGM/GVN/CA/LUPPH&M/VOL.1(06); CPSBB/CA/VOL.III/4 and CG/BGM/GVN/CA/LUPPH&M/VOL.1(09) notifying the County Assembly of the nomination of the following persons for appointment as members of the Municipality Boards of Bungoma and Kimilili respectively; -

1. Nominees of the Bungoma Municipality Board

NO.	NOMINEE	GENDER	MUNICIPALITY	POSITION
1.	Paul Maloba Kamala	Male	Bungoma	Member
2.	Job Wekesa Munyasia	Male	Bungoma	Member
3.	Ben Ndichu Karuga	Male	Bungoma	Member
4.	Wilkister Nafula Wafula			
5.	Dorcas Katiambo			

2. Nominees of the Kimilili Municipality Board

NO.	NOMINEE	GENDER	MUNICIPALITY	POSITION
1.	Wafula Barasa Dennis	Male	Kimilili	Member
2.	Samson Sichangi Wanyonyi	Male	Kimilili	Member
3.	Ziprine Nasike Wamalwa	Female	Kimilili	Member
4.	Abigael Nekesa Wafula	Female	Kimilili	Member
5.	Carolyne Khasoa	Female	Kimilili	Member

Pursuant to section 4 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 and Standing Order 217(5) (g) of the Bungoma County Assembly Standing Orders, the names of the nominees were committed to the sectoral Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning and Housing for vetting and reporting to the House within twenty-one (21) sitting days.

CHAPTER TWO

2.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2.1.1 Establishment of the Bungoma and Kimilili Municipality boards.

Legal Framework

The Municipalities of Bungoma and Kimilili are both decentralized units of service provision in Bungoma County established pursuant to the provisions of Articles 184 and 176(2) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 and the Urban Areas and Cities Act, 2011 (Amended 2019), read together with Section 48 of the County Governments Act, 2012.

Pursuant to the above provisions of law and as provided for under section 72 of the Interpretation and General provisions Act (Chapter 2) and all other enabling provisions of the law, the County Governor of Bungoma granted the two municipalities their respective Charters in May, 2018 and the said Charters were duly gazetted in November, 2018, giving both agencies the required legal framework to carry out operations.

As agencies of the County Government, the two Municipalities are bodies corporate pursuant to Section 12 of the Urban Areas and Cities Act, read together with their respective Charters, governed by Non-executive Boards with the Municipal Managers who were appointed pursuant to Sections 28 & 29 of the Urban Areas and Cities Act, as secretary to the Board and Ex-officio member and head of administration.

Composition of Boards of Municipalities

Section 14 of the Urban Areas and Cities Act, 2019 provides that-

- (1) A board of a municipality shall consist of nine members appointed by the County Governor with the approval of the County Assembly.
- (2) (a) The County Executive Member for the time being responsible for cities and urban areas or his representative;
- (b) three members who shall be appointed by the County Governor, with the approval of the County Assembly;
- (c) four members who shall be nominated by an association and appointed by the county governor, with the approval of the County Assembly;
- (d) the chief officer responsible for urban development; and

- (e) the municipal manager appointed under section 28 who shall be the secretary of the board and an ex-officio member of the board

Section 14(3)) of the Urban Areas and Cities Act, 2019 provides that;

The four members of the board of a municipality specified under sub-section(2)(c) above shall be nominated by-

- (a) an umbrella body representing professional associations in the area;
- (b) an association representing the private sector in the area;
- (c) a cluster representing registered associations of the informal sector in the area; and
- (d) a cluster representing registered neighborhood associations in the area.

Further, section 14(4) of the same Act states that-

The County Governor shall, while appointing the members of the board, ensure gender equity, representation of persons with disability, youth and marginalized groups.

Further, section 14(5) of the Act provides that-

- (5) The county governor shall while considering the nominated members identified by the organizations specified under subsection (2), require the organizations to produce;
 - (a) signed minutes as evidence of an accountable process of nomination;
 - (b) evidence of compliance with statutory obligations; and
 - (c) vetting form to establish that the nominee has complied with the prescribed criteria for appointment
- (6) A person shall be qualified for appointment as a member of the board if that person-
 - (a) holds at least a diploma from an institution recognized in Kenya;
 - (b) has a distinguished career in a medium level management position in either the private or public sector.
 - (c) holds at least five years' post-qualification professional experience; and
 - (d) satisfies the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution;
 - (e) is ordinarily resident or has a permanent dwelling in the municipality; and
 - (f) carries on business in the municipality or has lived in the municipality for at least five years.
- (7) A person shall not be appointed as a member of the Board if that person-
 - (a) is an undischarged bankrupt;
 - (b) has been removed from office for contravening the Constitution or any other law;
 - (c) is not a citizen of Kenya; or
 - (d) has in the conduct of his or her affairs not met any statutory obligations.

2.2 GUIDING PRINCIPLES IN THE VETTING OF THE BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The Committee made reference to the Constitution of Kenya 2010, the County Governments Act 2012, The Urban Areas and Cities Act 2019, the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 and the Bungoma County Assembly Standing Orders.

The Constitution of Kenya 2010

Article 184 (1) provides for:

- (a) the establishment of a criteria for classifying areas as Urban Areas and Cities;
- (b) the establishment of the principles of governance and management of Urban Areas and Cities; and
- (c) the provision for participation by residents in the governance of urban areas and cities.

Article 196 of the Constitution of Kenya provides that;

(1) A County Assembly shall-

- a) Conduct its business in an open manner, and hold its sittings and those of its committees, in public; and
- b) Facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative and other business of the Assembly and its committees.

The County Governments Act 2012

Section 8 (1)(a) of the County Governments Act, 2012 provides that;

The County Assembly shall-

- (a) vet and approve nominees for appointment to county public offices as may be provided for in this Act or any other law; and
- (b) perform the roles set out under Article 185 of the Constitution of Kenya.

2.3 NOTIFICATION TO THE NOMINEES AND THE PUBLIC

Article 196 of the Constitution provides that the County Assembly shall facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative business and other business of the County Assembly and its Committees.

Section 7 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act,2017 further provides that the Clerk shall notify the public of the time and place for holding approval hearings at least seven days prior to the hearings.

Further, Section 7(10) of the same Act provides that;

“any person may, prior to the approval hearing and by written statement on oath, provide the Clerk with evidence contesting the suitability of a candidate to hold the office to which the candidate has been nominated.”

In fulfillment of the said provisions of law read together with standing order No.56(3), the Clerk of the County Assembly placed an advertisement in the print media on Friday, 17th January, 2025, inviting the public to submit memoranda by way of written statements on oath (affidavits) on the suitability or otherwise of the nominees in accordance with the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017.

It was indicated that the Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning and Housing would conduct the approval hearings on Tuesday 28th January, 2025 and Wednesday 29th, January, 2025 from 9:00 A.M to 4:00P.M for the two days. The advertisement further indicated that the submissions were to be received by Friday 24th January, 2025 at 9.00 am. By close of the submission deadline, the Committee had not received any memoranda contesting the suitability of the nominees for appointment.

2.4 CLEARANCE AND COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS.

On the notice of appearance for approval hearings, the Clerk of the County Assembly informed the Nominees to provide Clearance and Compliance requirements from Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC),

Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI), the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) and the Credit Reference Bureau (CRB)

On matters ethics and integrity, the nominees availed to the Committee certified clearance copies issued by various agencies on diverse dates.

2.5 ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION DURING THE APPROVAL HEARINGS

a) Procedure for Nomination

Sections 4 and 6 (1) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 requires the appointing authority, upon nominating a person for appointment, to notify the relevant County Assembly.

In this regard, pursuant to section 4 and 6(1) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Governor duly notified the County Assembly of the nomination of the nominees for the position of Members of Bungoma and Kimilili municipality Boards respectively.

b) Constitutional and Statutory Requirements

The Constitution and the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, gives guidelines on how to appoint persons to public office which include:-

(i) **Two-Third Gender Rule**

Article 27(8) of the Constitution provides that the County Assembly shall take measures to implement the principle that not more than two- thirds of the members of elective or appointive bodies shall be of the same gender.

(ii) **Leadership Integrity**

The Committee in determining the suitability of the nominees was also guided by the provisions on leadership and integrity as outlined under Chapter Six of the Constitution. In particular, Article 73 (2) of the Constitution provides that the guiding principles of leadership and integrity include: -

73 (2)

- (a) *Selection on the basis of personal integrity, competence and suitability, or election in free and fair elections;*
- (b) *Objectivity and impartiality in decision making, and in ensuring that decisions are not influenced by nepotism, favoritism, other improper motives or corrupt practices;*
- (c) *Selfless service based solely on the public interest, demonstrated by*
 - (i) *Honesty in the execution of public duties; and*
 - (ii) *The declaration of any person interest that may conflict with public duties*
- (d) *Accountability to the public for decisions and actions and*

e) Discipline and commitment in service to the people.

Article 75 of the Constitution requires a State Officer, whether in public or private life to behave in a manner that avoids conflict between personal interest and public official duties. This Article further prohibits a State Officer who has been removed from office under it from holding any other State Office.

Article 77(1) of the Constitution prohibits a full time State Officer from participating in any other gainful employment.

Article 78 of the Constitution disqualifies persons who are not Kenyan Citizens from appointment as State Officers.

In addition, the Committee considered Section 10 of the Leadership and Integrity Act, 2012 in particular which provides that

A State Officer shall to the best of their ability

- a) Carry out the duties of the Office efficiently and honestly.*
- b) carry out the duties in a transparent and accountable manner*
- c) keep accurate records and documents relating to the functions of the office; and*
- d) report truthfully on all matters of the organization which they represent.*

c) Suitability of the nominees with regard to the nominees' abilities, experience and qualities.

The suitability of the nominees was assessed after scrutiny of the academic credentials, professional training and experience, personal integrity, background and qualities as well as their performance during the approval hearings conducted on Tuesday, 28th January, 2025 and Wednesday 29th January, 2025 respectively.

2.6 PRE- VETTING MEETING

The Committee held a pre-vetting meeting on Monday 27th January, 2025 and noted the following: -

- (i) **THAT**, the nominees had not notified the Clerk of the County Assembly of their withdrawal from the approval process as outlined under section 7(12) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approvals) Act, 2017.
- (ii) **THAT**, the Committee would examine the nominees in accordance with the criteria set out in section 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017.

CHAPTER THREE

3.0 APPROVAL HEARINGS OF THE NOMINEES.

The Committee conducted the approval hearings on Tuesday, 28th and Wednesday 29th January, 2025 from 9:00am to 4:00pm and the nominees were vetted under oath pursuant to the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 and the Standing Orders of the Bungoma County Assembly on the following issues;

- Date and Place of Birth
- Academic and Professional Qualification
- Employment Record
- Professional association and membership
- Potential Conflict of Interest
- Pro-bono/Charity Work
- Integrity
- Knowledge of the position nominated for

3.1 VETTING OF THE NOMINEES

The Committee conducted the approval hearing of the nominees on Tuesday 28th and Wednesday 29th January 2025 respectively. The ten nominees were vetted under oath pursuant to the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 and the County Assembly of Bungoma Standing Orders.

3.1.1 NOMINEES FOR BUNGOMA MUNICIPALITY

1. MR. PAUL MALOBA KAMALA

Mr. Paul Maloba Kamala appeared before the committee on Tuesday 28th January, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Assembly Chambers. The Committee noted the following;

Date and Place of Birth

The nominee of ID NO. 27436006 is a Kenyan male born on 27th February, 1986, in Khalaba ward and is currently a resident of Khalaba Ward. Apart from being a Kenyan citizen, the nominee does not hold any dual citizenship.

Academic and Professional Qualifications

The nominee holds a Bachelor's Degree in Commerce from Masinde Muliro University (Graduated 2022) and is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in Human Resource Management at Masinde Muliro University.

Employment Record

The nominee has held various managerial and governance-related roles, currently he is a Part-Time Lecturer, at Kibabii University (TVET).

Professional association and membership

The nominee does not belong to any association or membership

Potential Conflict of Interest

The nominee acknowledged that any potential conflict of interest, particularly in procurement processes or employment matters, would be declared. He stated that he would recuse himself from deliberations where personal interests may arise, ensuring transparency and integrity in decision-making.

Pro-bono/Charity Work

The nominee has actively engaged in community development initiatives, including collaborations with the Catholic Church and other social programs. He has been involved in mentorship programs and grassroots governance initiatives.

Integrity

The nominee further submitted that he has not been adversely associated with practices that depict bias, favouritism, or nepotism in the discharge of public duties. He has neither been charged in a court of law nor mentioned in any investigatory report of Parliament or any Commission of Inquiry in the last three (3) years. The nominee has also never been dismissed or otherwise removed from office for contravention of the provisions of Article 75 of the Constitution.

General knowledge of the Position

The nominee demonstrated an understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a member of the Municipality Board, including:

- Supporting economic development and capacity building for traders.
- Advocating for enhanced municipal services, including sanitation and public health.
- Overseeing financial management, accountability, and adherence to legal frameworks guiding municipal operations.

Committee's General Observations

After reviewing the nominee's submissions and qualifications, the committee made the following observations:

1. **THAT**, the nominee meets both the educational and experience requirements under the Urban Areas and Cities Act.
2. **THAT**, his integrity is not in question, and he has demonstrated commitment to public service and governance and has satisfactorily met the requirements of Chapter 6 of the constitution.
3. **THAT**, he is a resident of Khalaba Ward, where he has lived for most of his life, which is within the municipality.
4. **THAT**, from the submission during the approval hearing, he demonstrated knowledge, skills and experience in leadership and institutional management. He was also conversant with the role of a member of a municipality board.
5. **THAT**, he is a Kenyan citizen born in Bungoma County and does not hold dual citizenship.
6. **THAT**, the Committee's average score on the nominee was recorded as 78%

Committee's conclusion

Pursuant to Section 7(8) & (9) and Section 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee observed that the nominee **met** the integrity threshold; demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and technical issues touching on the portfolio to which he had been nominated; and had the requisite abilities, academic qualifications and professional experience to be **APPROVED** for appointment as a member of the Bungoma Municipality board.

2. MR. JOB WEKESA MUNYASIA

Mr. Job Wekesa Munyasia appeared before the committee on Tuesday 28th January, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the County Assembly Chamber. The Committee noted the following;

Date and Place of Birth

The nominee of ID NO. 9996688 is a Kenyan male born on 31/07/1969, in Township Ward and is a resident of Namachanja in Bungoma County. Apart from being a Kenyan citizen, the nominee does not hold any dual citizenship.

Academic and Professional Qualifications

The nominee holds a Bachelor of Arts in Education (Economics & Geography options) from Egerton University.

Employment Record

The nominee has worked in various positions; currently, he works as an Internet and Computer Sales Outlet Manager at Capital Point Cyber in Bungoma. He previously worked at Teachers Service Commission as a teacher of Nalondo Secondary School in 1994 where he resigned in the year 2005 to venture into business. Other positions held by the nominee include; Insurance sales representative at Alico Insurance Company in 1994, Regional Sales Agent for Orange Telkom in Bungoma (2013 – 2015) and Good Friends (GF) Restaurant Director (2004 – 2020)

Professional association and membership

The nominee is a member of Bungoma Business Community Association

Potential Conflict of Interest

The nominee submitted that whenever a conflict of interest arises, he will recuse himself and let the rest of the membership of the Board make a determination on the matter.

Pro-bono/Charity Work

The nominee has been involved in charity work through support to needy and vulnerable street children by donating foodstuff to them.

Integrity

The nominee further submitted that he has not been adversely associated with practices that depict bias, favouritism, or nepotism in the discharge of public duties.

General and sector specific questions

The Committee posed several questions to the nominee to which he responded as follows:

On the understanding of a Municipality Charter

The nominee demonstrated a fair understanding of the Municipal Charter as he was aware that Bungoma Municipality has a Charter and he has had an opportunity to read it.

On the roles of the Board Members of a Municipality

The nominee demonstrated an understanding of the duties and responsibilities of a Board Member of a Municipality, thus:

- Preparation and submission of budget to County Treasury;
- Ensuring a safe and secure environment for residents;
- Planning of urban areas within the Municipality;
- Ensure participation of citizens in decision making;

On what he would do to manage the limited resource envelop in the municipality

The nominee informed the Committee that he will be making proposals to ensure efficient use of available funds to run the Municipality and also to broaden the tax base so that the Municipality can run uninterrupted.

On legal framework applicable in the management of Municipalities

The nominee was able to name the Constitution, the County Governments Act and the Urban Areas and Cities Act as some of the legal instruments that he will often be referring to in discharge of his duties.

Committee's General Observations

After reviewing the nominee's submissions and qualifications, the committee made the following observations:

1. **THAT**, the nominee meets both the educational and professional experience requirements under the Urban Areas and Cities Act.
2. **THAT**, he is a resident of Township Ward where he has lived for most of his life, which is within the municipality.
3. **THAT**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 on Leadership and Integrity.

4. **THAT**, from the submission during the approval hearing, he demonstrated knowledge, skills and experience in leadership and institutional management. He was also conversant with roles of a member of a municipality board.
5. **THAT**, he is a Kenyan citizen born in Bungoma County and does not hold dual citizenship.
6. **THAT**, the Committee's average score on the nominee was recorded as 71%

Committee's Conclusion

Pursuant to Section 7(8) & (9) and Section 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee observed that the nominee **met** the integrity threshold; demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and technical issues touching on the portfolio to which he had been nominated; and had the requisite abilities, academic qualifications and professional experience to be **APPROVED** for appointment as a member of the Bungoma Municipality board.

3. MR. BEN NDICHIU KARUGA

Mr. Ben Ndichu Karuga, the nominee appeared before the committee for vetting on 28th January 2025 at 12:00 p.m. in the County Assembly Plenary and the committee noted the following;

Date and place of birth

Mr. Ben Ndichu Karuga of ID Number: 22886241 was born on 14th April 1982 in Bungoma South and he is a resident of Namachanja, Township Ward.

Academic and Professional Qualifications

The nominee pursued a certificate course as a certified Public Secretary (CPS) in June 2005 but stopped at Part II. He is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and Economics in the University of Nairobi with effect from 2024/2025 academic year. This is an undergraduate course he differed in 2006.

Employment Record

The nominee has held various managerial and governance-related roles, including:

2018 – Present: Director, Parugam Company Limited.

2009 – 2015: Business Manager, Outerspace Transporters, Nairobi.

Actively engaged in election-related support programs and grassroots governance.

Knowledge of the Position

The nominee demonstrated an understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a member of the Municipality Board, including:

- Participating in the formulation and implementation of policies that enhance urban development and service delivery.
- Ensuring proper planning and execution of projects aimed at improving municipal services such as waste management, infrastructure, and social amenities.
- Engaging with stakeholders, including the public and government agencies, to enhance governance and urban management.
- Overseeing financial management, accountability, and adherence to legal frameworks guiding municipal operations.

Compliance with Urban Areas and Cities Act No. 13 of 2019

In relation to section 13 and 14 of the Urban Areas and Cities Act No. 13 of 2019, the nominee measured as follows;

- Is an ordinarily resident and conducts business in the municipality.
- Does not possess at least a diploma or equivalent qualification.
- Has not been declared bankrupt or removed from office for misconduct.

Potential Conflict of Interest

The nominee acknowledged that any potential conflict of interest, particularly in procurement processes or employment matters, would be declared. He stated that he would recuse himself from deliberations where personal interests may arise, ensuring transparency and integrity in decision-making.

Pro Bono and Charity Work

The nominee has been involved in community development and voluntary initiatives, particularly in supporting grassroots governance efforts and election-related advisory roles. He has also participated in mentorship programs for young leaders in the municipality.

Committee's General Observations

After reviewing the nominee's submissions and qualifications, the committee made the following observations:

1. **THAT**, the nominee meets the experience requirement but does not meet the educational requirement under the Urban Areas and Cities Act; The Act mandates a diploma-level qualification at minimum, the nominee has not yet completed his undergraduate degree nor completed CPS certification up to level VI, hence his CPS Part II, does not equate to a diploma.
2. **THAT**, he is a resident of Namachanja where he has lived for most of his life, which is within the municipality.
3. **THAT**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 on Leadership and Integrity.
4. **THAT**, from the submission during the approval hearing, he demonstrated knowledge, skills and experience in leadership and institutional management. He was also conversant with role of the member of a Municipality board.
5. **THAT**, is a Kenyan citizen born in Bungoma County and does not hold dual citizenship.
6. **THAT**, the Committee's average score on the nominee was recorded as 75%

Committee's Conclusion

Pursuant to Section 7(8) & (9) and Section 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee observed that the nominee **met** the integrity threshold; demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and technical issues touching on the portfolio to which he had been nominated; and had the requisite abilities, but lacks the academic qualifications and professional experience to be **APPROVED** for appointment as a member of the Bungoma Municipality board.

4. Ms. WILKISTER NAFULA WAFULA

The nominee appeared before the committee on 28th January, 2025 at 3:00pm in the County Assembly Plenary and the committee noted the following;

Personal Information

Ms. Wilkister Nafula Wafula of ID Number 33477113 was born on 20th February 1995 in Musikoma, Bungoma County and is a resident of Musikoma Ward.

Academic and Professional Qualifications

The nominee holds a Diploma in Health Records and Information Technology (2022) and a certificate in Health Records and Information Technology (2018) from Kenya Medical Training College.

Employment Record

The nominee is currently engaged in personal business running an M-Pesa Shop but has previously worked in several positions on contractual basis including at Bungoma County Referral Hospital as a key Pop Data clerk at Comprehensive Care Clinic department (2023), a field Data Supervisor with Redcap (2023), at Kenya Pediatric Research Contortion (KEPRECON) client (2022), and Makhonge health center (2020).

Knowledge of the Position

The nominee demonstrated a fair understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a member of the Municipality Board, including participating in implementation of policies and projects that enhance development.

Compliance with Urban Areas and Cities Act No. 13 of 2019

In relation to section 13 and 14 of the Urban Areas and Cities Act No. 13 of 2019, the nominee measures as follows;

- Possesses at least a diploma or equivalent qualification.
- Is an ordinarily resident and conducts business in the municipality.
- Has not been declared bankrupt or removed from office for misconduct.

Potential Conflict of Interest

The nominee acknowledged that any potential conflict of interest would be declared. She stated that she would recuse herself from deliberations where personal interests may arise.

Pro Bono and Charity Work

The nominee has been involved in community development together with a church group (women fellowship) by contributing clothes, food staff to various children homes yearly.

Through the women group, she does contribute sanitary towels to schools and also helps widows through donations to take their children to school.

Committee's conclusion

After reviewing the nominee's submissions and qualifications, the committee made the following observations:

1. **THAT**, the nominee meets the minimum educational qualification of a diploma, an educational requirement under the Urban Areas and Cities Act;
2. **THAT**, she is a resident and business person of Musikoma Ward where she has lived for most of her life, which is within the municipality.
3. **THAT**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 on Leadership and Integrity.
4. **THAT**, from the submission during the approval hearing, she demonstrated knowledge, skills in institutional management and was also conversant with role of the member of a Municipality board.
5. **THAT**, she is a Kenyan citizen born in Bungoma County and does not hold dual citizenship.
6. **THAT**, the Committee's average score on the nominee was recorded as 67%

Committee's Conclusion

Pursuant to Section 7(8) & (9) and Section 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee observed that the nominee **met** the integrity threshold; demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and technical issues touching on the portfolio to which she had been nominated; and had the requisite abilities, the academic qualifications and professional experience to be **APPROVED** for appointment as a member of the Bungoma Municipality board.

5. MS.DORCAS KATIAMBO

The nominee appeared before the committee on 28th January, 2025 at 3:00pm in the County Assembly Plenary and the committee noted the following;

Date and place of birth

Dorcas Katiambo of ID No. 9805788 was born in 1968 in Kabula but currently resides in Kimaeti Ward, she owns properties in Ranje area within West Sangalo Ward. The nominee does not hold any dual citizenship.

Academic qualifications

The nominee holds a Doctor of Philosophy in Curriculum and Instruction (PhD) from Kibabii University (2019), a master's degree in Education from Kenyatta University (2002) and a Bachelor of Education degree (Second class Honours) from Moi University (1994). She also holds a certificate in senior management from the Kenya School of Government (2021).

Employment Record;

The nominee works with following institutions at; Kenya National Examination council from 2024 to date, Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development from 2022 to date and the Teachers service commission from 1994 to date.

Professional Associations and membership

The nominee is a member of the following associations; Kenya Association of Educational Administration and Management from 2013.

Integrity

The nominee had complied with all the requisite requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution

Published writings

The nominee has published the following writings;

- Mathematics in Kenya-International journal of research 2019
- Factors affecting retention and participation of students in basic education in Sub-Saharan Africa; a case of Kenya

Potential conflict of interest

The nominee submitted that in the event a conflict of interest would arise she will recuse herself from participating on the proceedings of the matter.

Pro Bono/ Charity work

The nominee has been involved in several charitable activities including; giving donations to the catholic church at Kimwanga, Kimaeti and Myanga, Funeral contributions and fund raisings for children going to school and the sick and LECC applied law and environment management educator.

Committee conclusion

After reviewing the nominee's submissions and qualifications, the committee made the following observations:

1. **THAT**, the nominee meets the minimum educational qualification of a diploma, an educational requirement under the Urban Areas and Cities Act;
2. **THAT**, she is a resident of Kimaeti Ward where she has lived for most of her life, and owns properties in Ranje in West Sang'alo Ward which is within the municipality.
3. **THAT**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 on Leadership and Integrity.
4. **THAT**, from the submission during the approval hearing, she demonstrated knowledge, skills in institutional management and was also conversant with role of the member of a Municipality board.
5. **THAT**, she is a Kenyan citizen born in Bungoma County and does not hold dual citizenship.
6. **THAT**, the Committee's average score on the nominee was recorded at 74%

Committee's Conclusion

Pursuant to Section 7(8) & (9) and Section 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee observed that the nominee **met** the integrity threshold; demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and technical issues touching on the portfolio to which she had been nominated; and had the requisite abilities, the academic qualifications and professional experience to be **APPROVED** for appointment as a member of the Bungoma Municipality board.

3.1.2 NOMINEES FOR KIMILILI MUNICIPALITY

1. MR. DENNIS WAFULA BARASA

The nominee appeared before the committee on 29th January, 2025 at 9:00am in the County Assembly Plenary and the committee noted the following;

Date and Place of Birth

Mr. Dennis Wafula Barasa is a male Kenyan citizen of ID number 27311696 born in Kimilili and is a resident of Yembe B village in Maeni Ward in Bungoma County. The nominee does not hold any dual citizenship.

Academic and Professional Qualifications

From the oral submission and the documents submitted, the nominee holds a degree in Commerce – Finance option from Masinde Muliro University (2019) and a diploma in Business Management from Masinde Muliro University (2013). The nominee is currently undertaking a Masters course in Business Administration-Finance Option in Masinde Muliro University.

Employment Record

Mr. Dennis Wafula Barasa currently works as a Finance Officer at the National treasury a position he has held since November 2022. He has previously worked as Finance Manager at Jamii Corporate from January 2020-October 2022.

Professional association and membership

The nominee does not belong to any professional association

Potential Conflict of Interest

The nominee assured the committee that whenever he is faced with a conflict of interest, he would declare and step aside in accordance to the law.

Pro-bono/Charity Work

The nominee submitted that he does support the community through church donations.

Integrity

The nominee satisfactorily met the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010.

General and Sector specific questions;

The Committee asked questions related to the position of a Municipality Board member to which the nominee responded as follows;

On the roles of the Municipality Board member,

The nominee demonstrated an in-depth understanding of the duties and responsibilities of a municipality Board member that includes:

- Oversee the affairs of the municipality

- Develop and implement development plan
- Implement applicable national and county legislation

On the electoral wards covered under Kimilili municipality;

The nominee named Kamukuywa, Maeni, and Kibingei Wards as the ones making up Kimilili municipality with the respective elected ward representatives.

On legal and institutional frameworks applicable in the operation of municipalities

The nominee informed the Committee that the County Governments Act and the Urban Areas and Cities Act are crucial legal documents that guide the operations of the municipality.

Committee's General Observations

After reviewing the nominee's submissions and qualifications, the committee made the following observations:

1. **THAT**, the nominee meets the minimum educational qualification of a diploma, an educational requirement under the Urban Areas and Cities Act;
2. **THAT**, he is a resident of Maeni Ward where he has lived for most of his life, which is within the municipality.
3. **THAT**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 on Leadership and Integrity.
4. **THAT**, from the submission during the approval hearing, he demonstrated knowledge, skills in institutional management and was also conversant with role of the member of a Municipality board.
5. **THAT**, he is a Kenyan citizen born in Bungoma County and does not hold dual citizenship.
6. **THAT**, the Committee's average score on the nominee was recorded as 65.9%

Committee's Conclusion

Pursuant to Section 7(8) & (9) and Section 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee observed that the nominee **met** the integrity threshold; demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and technical issues touching on the portfolio to which he had been nominated; and had the requisite abilities, the academic qualifications and professional experience to be **APPROVED** for appointment as a member of the Kimilili Municipality board.

2. MR. SAMSON SICHANGI WANYONYI

Mr. Samson Sichangi Wanyonyi, appeared before the committee for vetting on 29th at 10:00 a.m. in the County Assembly Chamber. The Committee noted the following;

Date and place of birth

Mr. Samson Sichangi Wanyonyi of ID Number: 14640532 was born on 1st January, 1977 in Kimilili and he currently resides in Kitayi, Kibingei Ward. Apart from being a Kenyan citizen, the nominee does not hold any dual citizenship.

Academic and Professional Qualifications

The nominee holds a Master's degree in Information Science from Kisii University (2022), a Bachelor's Degree in Library and Information Science from Kisii University (2015) and a Diploma in information science from Nehema Institute of science and technology (2012)

Employment Record

The nominee has held various managerial and governance-related roles, currently he is a lecturer at Kitale National Polytechnic

Knowledge of the Position

The nominee demonstrated an understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a member of the Municipality Board, including:

- Participating in the formulation and implementation of policies that enhance urban development and service delivery.
- Ensuring proper planning and execution of projects aimed at improving municipal services such as waste management, infrastructure, and social amenities.
- Engaging with stakeholders, including the public and government agencies, to enhance governance and urban management.
- Overseeing financial management, accountability, and adherence to legal frameworks guiding municipal operations.

Potential Conflict of Interest

The nominee acknowledged that any potential conflict of interest, particularly in procurement processes or employment matters, would be declared. He stated that he

would recuse himself from deliberations where personal interests may arise, ensuring transparency and integrity in decision-making.

Pro Bono and Charity Work

The nominee has been involved in community development and voluntary initiatives, particularly in education, mentorship, and governance-related programs. He has played a role in supporting youth empowerment and community service efforts.

Committee's General Observations

After reviewing the nominee's submissions and qualifications, the committee made the following observations:

1. **THAT**, the nominee meets the minimum educational qualification of a diploma, an educational requirement under the Urban Areas and Cities Act;
2. **THAT**, he is a resident of Kibinge Ward where he has lived for most of his life, which is within the municipality.
3. **THAT**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 on Leadership and Integrity.
4. **THAT**, from the submission during the approval hearing, he demonstrated knowledge, skills in institutional management and was also conversant with role of the member of a Municipality board.
5. **THAT**, he is a Kenyan citizen born in Bungoma County and does not hold dual citizenship.
6. **THAT**, the Committee's average score on the nominee was recorded as 69.1%

Committee's Conclusion

Pursuant to Section 7(8) & (9) and Section 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee observed that the nominee **met** the integrity threshold; demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and technical issues touching on the portfolio to which he had been nominated; and had the requisite abilities, the academic qualifications and professional experience to be **APPROVED** for appointment as a member of the Kimilili Municipality board.

3. Miss ZIPRINE NASIKE WAMALWA

Miss Ziprine Nasike Wamalwa, appeared before the committee on Wednesday 29th January, 2025 at 12:00 noon in the County Assembly Chamber. The Committee noted the following;

Date and Place of Birth

The nominee of ID NO. 28924985 is a Kenyan female born on 16/09/1991, in Nabikoto, Kamukuywa Ward, in Bungoma County where he resides. Apart from being a Kenyan citizen, the nominee does not hold any dual citizenship.

Academic and Professional Qualifications

The nominee holds a Diploma in Technology in Architecture from the Technical University of Kenya (2013).

Employment Record

The nominee has worked for over ten years within her industry; currently, she works as an Assistant Architect at Centicom Building Solutions Ltd in Nairobi, a position she has held since 2018. She previously worked at Intrinsic Architecture (2014 – 2017) and Domus Architects (2017 – 2018) both as an Assistant Architect.

Professional association and membership

The nominee is a member of the Architectural Association of Kenya.

Potential Conflict of Interest

That nominee submitted that whenever a conflict of interest arises, she will recuse herself and let the rest of the board Members make a determination on the matter.

Pro-bono/Charity Work

The nominee has been involved in charity work through support to needy children at Lela Children's Home in Kamukuywa and provision of free consultancy works to Churches and schools on matters designing buildings.

Integrity

The nominee further submitted that she has not been adversely associated with practices that depict bias, favouritism, or nepotism in the discharge of public duties.

General and Sector specific questions

The Committee posed several questions to the nominee to which she responded as follows:

On how she will handle Municipality Board Matters and her work

The nominee submitted that she is a freelance Architect and as such she can adjust her schedules easily to fit into the Schedule of the Municipality Board.

On legal frameworks applicable in the management of Municipalities

The nominee understanding of some of the legal framework around management of Municipalities was demonstrated by her mention of some Acts she will use while in office including the Urban Areas and Cities Act.

Committee's General Observations

After reviewing the nominee's submissions and qualifications, the committee made the following observations:

1. **THAT**, the nominee meets the minimum educational qualification of a diploma, an educational requirement under the Urban Areas and Cities Act;
2. **THAT**, she is a resident of Kamukuywa Ward where she has lived for most of her life, which is within the municipality.
3. **THAT**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 on Leadership and Integrity.
4. **THAT**, from the submission during the approval hearing, she demonstrated knowledge, skills in institutional management and was also conversant with role of the member of a Municipality board.
5. **THAT**, she is a Kenyan citizen born in Bungoma County and does not hold dual citizenship.
6. **THAT**, the Committee's average score on the nominee was recorded as 71.4%

Committee's Conclusion

Pursuant to Section 7(8) & (9) and Section 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee observed that the nominee **met** the integrity threshold; demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and technical issues touching on the portfolio to which she had been nominated; and had the requisite abilities, the academic qualifications and professional experience to be **APPROVED** for appointment as a member of the Kimilili Municipality board.

4. MS. ABIGAEL NEKESA WAFULA

The nominee, Abigael Nekesa Wafula appeared before the committee on 29th January, 2025 at 2:00pm in the County Assembly Plenary for vetting. During the exercise, the committee noted the following:

Date and Place of Birth

The nominee is a female Kenyan citizen of ID number 35019034 and a resident of Bahai, Kimilili Ward. Apart from being a Kenyan citizen, the nominee does not hold any dual citizenship.

Academic and Professional Qualifications

The nominee holds a diploma in Health Records and information Technology from Kenya Medical Training College (2022) and a certificate in Health records and information Technology from Kenya Medical Training College (2020).

Employment Record

The nominee submitted that she is currently a business person engaged in selling grocery and charcoal. She once worked on contract as a Health records Officer at Bondo Sub County Hospital (2022-2023).

Professional association and membership

The nominee is a member of Association of Medical Records Officers Kenya.

Potential Conflict of Interest

The nominee stated that she has never been conflicted before but if she finds herself conflicted in the cause of her working, she will seek to be guided by the provisions of law.

Pro-bono/Charity Work

The nominee has been involved in charity work through donation of sanitary towels to vulnerable girls, planting of trees and visitation of patients in hospital.

Integrity

It was submitted by the nominee that she has not been adversely associated with practices that depict bias, favouritism or nepotism in the discharge of her duties before.

General and Sector specific questions

The Committee during the vetting exercise was also out to know if the nominee understood matters relating to the position of a Municipality Board member to which the nominee responded as follows;

On the roles of the Municipality Board member,

The nominee demonstrated an in-depth understanding of the duties and responsibilities of a municipality Board member that includes: overseeing general

functions of the municipality, conducting public participation on projects and formulation of the municipality budget

On the electoral wards covered under the municipality he was nominated to; the nominee was able to name 3 wards that are under the municipality as being Maeni, Kimilili, and Kibingei Wards.

On the Acts that guide the operations of the municipality;

The nominee stated the Constitution of Kenya, County Governments Act and Urban Areas and Cities Act.

Committee's General Observations

After reviewing the nominee's submissions and qualifications, the committee made the following observations:

1. **THAT**, the nominee meets the minimum educational qualification of a diploma, an educational requirement under the Urban Areas and Cities Act;
2. **THAT**, she is a resident and business person of Kimilili rural where she has lived for most of her life, which is within the municipality.
3. **THAT**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 on Leadership and Integrity.
4. **THAT**, from the submission during the approval hearing, she demonstrated knowledge, skills in institutional management and was also conversant with role of the member of a Municipality board.
5. **THAT**, she is a Kenyan citizen born in Bungoma County and does not hold dual citizenship.
6. **THAT**, the Committee's average score on the nominee was recorded as 72.6 %

Committee's Conclusion

Pursuant to Section 7(8) & (9) and Section 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee observed that the nominee **met** the integrity threshold; demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and technical issues touching on the portfolio to which she had been nominated; and had the requisite abilities, the academic qualifications and professional experience to be **APPROVED** for appointment as a member of the Kimilili Municipality board.

5. CAROLINE KHASOA WANYONYI

The nominee, Caroline Khasoa Wanyonyi appeared before the committee on 29th January, 2025 at 3:00 pm in the County Assembly Plenary for vetting. During the exercise, the committee noted the following:

Date and Place of Birth

The nominee is a female Kenyan citizen of ID number 14336160, was born on 28th September, 1974 and is a resident of Nasusi, Maeni Ward. Apart from being a Kenyan citizen, the nominee does not hold any dual citizenship.

Academic and professional qualifications

She holds an LLB (Bachelor of Laws) Degree and a post Graduate Diploma in Law from Nagpur University in India (1999) and Kenya School of Law (2001) respectively. She also holds a master's Degree in Business Administration (MBA) from Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology (2020).

Employment Record;

The nominee has been working in the National Land Commission from 2014 and at a Law firm of Khasoa & company Advocates from 2004 to 2014

Honors and Awards

The nominee is a certified professional mediator, Honorary member Applied land governance expert, a member of Law society of Kenya (FIDA), and a member in the Leadership of EACC.

She is a member of the Law Society of Kenya

Requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution

The nominee had complied with all the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution

Published writings

According to the filled questionnaire the nominee has published the following writings;

- NECC-PIL handbook in 2019
- Law society paper on practice guidelines the Advocate 2014
- Kenya Institute of planners' paper (KIPS 2024)

Public office, political activities and Affiliations

The nominee served as a Deputy Director Legal service, National Law commission Kenya women League chair (2011-2013) Elected serving member, LSK Nairobi branch.

Potential conflict of interest

When asked she stated that she will assess the matter before her and declare her interest and step down from the process

Pro Bono/ Charity work/ Donations

- Friends church, Kamasielo monthly meeting-ksh.135,000(2021)
- Daisy children's Home ksh.10,000 yearly
- LECC applied Law and environment management educator

General and Sector specific questions

The nominee intended to bring on board her vast experience on governance of the municipalities.

Committee conclusions

After reviewing the nominee's submissions and qualifications, the committee made the following observations:

1. **THAT**, the nominee meets the minimum educational qualification of a diploma, an educational requirement under the Urban Areas and Cities Act;
2. **THAT**, she is a resident of Nasusi Maeni Ward where she has lived for most of her life, which is within the municipality.
3. **THAT**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 on Leadership and Integrity.
4. **THAT**, from the submission during the approval hearing, she demonstrated knowledge, skills in institutional management and was also conversant with role of the member of a Municipality board.
5. **THAT**, she is a Kenyan citizen born in Bungoma County and does not hold dual citizenship.
6. **THAT**, the Committee's average score on the nominee was recorded as **93.7%**

Committee's Conclusion

Pursuant to Section 7(8) & (9) and Section 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee observed that the nominee **met** the integrity threshold; demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and technical issues touching on the portfolio to which she had been nominated; and had the requisite abilities, the academic qualifications and professional experience to be **APPROVED** for appointment as a member of the Kimilili Municipality board

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CHAPTER FOUR

4.0 COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

Having conducted the approval hearing for the ten nominees pursuant to Sections 4, 7 and 8 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017 and Standing Order 217 (5).

(a) the Committee recommends that this House; **Approves** the nomination of **nine nominees in the order listed below** as members of Bungoma and Kimilili municipality boards respectively **for appointment** by His Excellency, the Governor.

1. Nominees of the Bungoma Municipality Board

No.	NOMINEE	GENDER	ID NO.
1.	Paul Maloba Kamala	Male	27436006
2.	Job Wekesa Munyasia	Male	9996688
3.	Wilkister Wafula	Female	33477113
4.	Dorcas Katiambo	Female	9805788

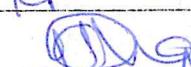
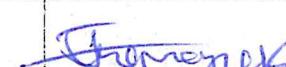
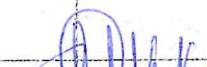
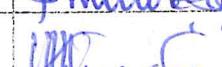
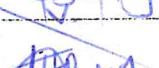
2. Nominees of the Kimilili Municipality Board

No.	NOMINEE	GENDER	ID NO.
1.	Wafula Barasa Dennis	Male	27311696
2.	Samson Sichangi Wanyonyi	Male	14640532
3.	Ziprine Nasike Wamalwa	Female	28924985
4.	Abigael Nekesa Wafula	Female	35019034
5.	Carolyne Khasoa	Female	14336160

(b) the Committee recommends that this House; does not **approve** the nomination of the **Mr. Ben Ndichu Karuga of ID Number: 22886241** a member of Bungoma municipality board **for appointment** by His Excellency the Governor, for not meeting the minimum academic qualification of a diploma.

ADOPTION SCHEDULE

We the undersigned Members of the Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning and Housing affix our signatures adopting this report with the contents therein.

NO.	MEMBER'S NAME	DESIGNATION	SIGN
1.	Hon. Francis Chemion	Chairperson	
2.	Hon. Johnston Ipara	Vice Chairperson	
3.	Hon. James Mukhongo	Member	
4.	Hon. Joan Kirong'	Member	
5.	Hon. Sudi Busolo	Member	
6.	Hon. George Makari	Member	
7.	Hon. Ali Machani	Member	
8.	Hon. Hentry Nyongesa	Member	
9.	Hon. Wafula Waiti	Member	
10.	Hon. Benjamin Otsiula	Member	
11.	Hon. Edwin Opwora	Member	
12.	Hon. Jeremiah Kuloba	Member	
13.	Hon. Polycarp Kimeta	Member	
14.	Hon. Aggrey Mulongo	Member	
15.	Hon. Cornelius Makhanu	Member	