

**MINUTES OF THE CITIZEN FORA MEETING HELD ON 16TH OCTOBER 2023  
AT MUNICIPAL HALL, KIMILILI MUNICIPALITY 10:00AM.**

**Preliminaries**

The meeting was officially opened at 10:00 am by the Board Chairperson, Joseph Mulama, who welcomed the attendees and presented the meeting's agenda.

**The following groups were represented at the meeting:**

1. Informal Business Owners
2. County/Municipal Employees
3. Board Members
4. Security Personnel
5. Religious Leaders and Faith-Based Organizations
6. Taxi Operators
7. Motorcycle Riders (Boda Boda)
8. Business Community Representatives
9. Professionals and Experts
10. Special Interest Groups (Women's League, Youth, and Persons with Disabilities)
11. Development Partners and Stakeholders

**2.0 Agenda Items**

**2.1 Provision of Services**

**2.1.1 Refuse Collection and Waste Management.**

**Discussion:** Residents raised concerns about growing waste accumulation, particularly in high-traffic areas. Suggestions were made to improve the frequency of waste collection and enhance waste management strategies.

**Resolution:** The municipality will increase the frequency of refuse collection and introduce awareness programs focusing on waste segregation and recycling.

**2.1.2 Water, Sanitation Services, and Infrastructure.**

**Discussion:** There were complaints about insufficient water supply and sanitation facilities, especially in informal settlements.

**Resolution:** The municipality will prioritize water-related projects, including drilling additional boreholes and expanding sanitation services. A proposal for a new water treatment facility will also be considered.

**2.1.3 Municipal Sports and Cultural Services.**

**Discussion:** Participants emphasized the need for improved recreational facilities and cultural programs to engage youth and promote community cohesion.

**Resolution:** The municipality will work to enhance sports infrastructure, such as upgrading public sports fields-Amutala stadium, and will organize cultural events to foster greater participation from all community groups within the municipality.

#### **2.1.4 Animal Control and Welfare Services.**

**Discussion:** There were concerns about the control of stray animals; specifically dogs and the overall state of animal welfare services within the municipality.

**Resolution:** The municipality will strengthen animal control measures by establishing a dedicated animal welfare unit and launching public awareness campaigns on responsible pet ownership.

#### **2.1.5 Development Control Services**

**Discussion:** Issues regarding unauthorized construction and the lack of development permits were raised.

**Resolution:** The municipality will improve the enforcement of building codes and construction regulations to ensure all developments comply with legal and safety standards.

#### **2.2 Proposed Issues for Inclusion in County Policies and Legislation.**

**Discussion:** Participants suggested that marginalized groups, such as youth, women, and persons with disabilities, should have better representation and inclusion in county policies and legislation.

**Resolution:** The municipality will advocate for policies that ensure equal opportunities for all community groups, focusing particularly on education, employment, and social welfare initiatives.

#### **2.3 Proposed National Policies and Legislation**

**Discussion:** Participants discussed national policies concerning urban development, environmental conservation, and governance.

**Resolution:** The forum agreed to forward proposals to the national government, advocating for increased support for municipalities, particularly in areas like waste management, infrastructure development, and water supply.

#### **2.4 Proposed Annual Budget Estimate of the Municipality.**

**Discussion:** The proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year was reviewed, with particular focus on allocations for infrastructure, waste management, and community programs.

**Resolution:** The municipality will prioritize the proposed services in the annual budget, ensuring that residents' needs and concerns are adequately addressed.

#### **2.5 Proposed Development Projects for the Municipality**

**Discussion:** Upcoming development projects, including road upgrades, market construction, and new public facilities, were discussed.

**Resolution:** The municipality will proceed with the implementation of the proposed projects, ensuring proper consultation with the community during the planning and execution phases.

### **3.0 Any Other Matters of Concern.**

**Discussion:** Additional concerns were raised regarding traffic management, public health services, and safety within the municipality.

**Resolution** The municipality will explore possible solutions for improving traffic flow, upgrading health facilities, and enhancing public safety measures.

### **4.0 Closing Remarks**

The Board Chairperson, Joseph Mulama, expressed gratitude to all participants for their valuable input and encouraged ongoing engagement between the municipality and the residents. He assured that the issues raised would be addressed in future development plans and policy reforms.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 PM, with a closing prayer led by Catherine Muramara..

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