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COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF BUNGOMA
HANSARD OFFICIAL REPORT
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The House met at 2:30 p.m.

(Mr. Deputy Speaker [Hon. Stephen Wamalwa] in the Chair)

PRAYER

PAPERS

The following Paper was laid on the Table of the County Assembly:

Report by the Sectorial Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning, Trade, Energy and Industrialization on the Bungoma County First Quarter Financial Statements for the Period Ended 30th September 2021 laid by Hon. Hamphrey Sifuna (*Chairperson, Lands*).

NOTICE OF MOTION

The following Notice of Motion was issued:

That this House adopts the report by the Sectorial Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning, Trade, Energy and Industrialization on the Bungoma County First Quarter Financial Statements for the Period Ended 30th September 2021 in respect to the Department Of Lands, Urban, Physical Planning, Trade, Energy and Industrialization by Hon. Hamphrey Sifuna (*Chairperson, Lands*).

MOTION

**REPORT BY SECTORIAL COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ECONOMIC
PLANNING ON THE BUNGOMA COUNTY FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2021**

Hon. James Mukhongo (Chairperson, Finance): Thank you. On behalf of Finance and Economic Planning Committee, I wish to read the quarterly report on Financial Statement for the financial year 2021/2022 in respect to the Department of Finance and Economic Planning.

On page two we have a table of Contents and Members have this report on their gadgets. On page three Chapter one, we have the preamble. I think Members have just read it and I don't want to go through it.

On bullet one and two we have Committee Membership listed here.

1.3 We have the guiding principles in the examination of the Bungoma County Government first quarter report on financial statement for the financial year ended 30 September 2021.

1. Is the constitutional principles on Public Finance?
2. Direct Personal Liability
3. Obligations of the accounting officers

4. Acknowledgement

Mr. Speaker Sir, may I take this opportunity to thank the Offices of the Speaker and Clerk of the County Assembly of Bungoma for the support received as the Committee discharged its mandate. I also appreciate the Hon. Members and the secretariat of the Committee for their commitment and dedicating their time to examine the Department of Finance and Economic Planning first quarter report and financial statements for the year 2021/2022.

This Committee also extends its gratitude's to the executive arm of the County Government Department of Finance and Physical Planning for the role they played in offering explanations and supporting documents as requested by the Committee.

Mr. Speaker Sir, it is therefore my privilege on behalf of this Committee to table the report on the First quarter financial report and statements for the Department of Finance and Economic Planning for the financial year 2021/2022.

The report is signed by the Chair.

CHAPTER TWO

Key highlights of the Bungoma County Government department of Finance and Economic Planning first quarter report and financial statements for the financial year 2021/2011 part 1.

Part 2 is the analysis of the revenue.

The County own generated revenue is here under part two. We also have part three that has analysis of the expenditure. On part four the departmental expenditure analysis is here too. Part five is submission of documents by the department. We have the departmental implementation report for the financial year 2020/2021 here as we move on Hon. Speaker; 2 Pending bills in the department as at 30th, September 2022 is indicated here. Then 4

Pending Accounts Receivables (Outstanding Imprests) are shown in the table below.

CHAPTER THREE

3.0 GENERAL COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 Committee General Observations

Mr. Speaker Sir, the Committee made the following observations.

1. The own source revenue generated in the first quarter was Kshs. 218,246,289 translating to 20% of the total projected amount of Kshs. 1,091,524,891 (Own revenue including A.I.A) as compared to the estimated 25% in every quarter.
2. The County did not receive any grant both from the national government and development partners in the first quarter.
3. The actual expenditure in the County as reflected in the report is Kshs. 1,205,279,289 compared to the projected expenditure of Kshs. 3,190,144,562. The Department of Finance and Economic Planning has an allocation of Kshs. 1,117,976,284 out of which only Kshs. 113,001,673 representing 10% was spend in the first quarter.
4. The department of Finance and Economic Planning had pending bills of Kshs. 127,577,188 out of which Kshs.111, 357,954 was amount owed to the Lapfund in respect to the pension contribution by the employer.
5. Pending staff receivables (outstanding imprests) in the all departments were Kshs. 117,087,185 and from the documents submitted by the department, only Kshs. 19,450,700 has been surrendered. The department of Finance and Economic Planning had outstanding imprest is Kshs. 47,771,186 out of which Kshs. 5,224,600 has been surrendered and documents for imprests totaling to Kshs.21,024,650 were taken by Ethics Anti-Corruption Commission for investigation while the balance of Kshs.21,521,936 is still outstanding.

3.2 Committee recommendations

Mr. Speaker Sir, the following recommendations were made by the Committee:

1. The directorate of revenue should set realistic targets and implement all set measures that will enable them maximize local revenue collection.
2. The County treasury should ensure the grants benefiting departments complies with all the donors and development partners requirements for timely disbursement of grants.
3. The County departments should ensure implementation of the approved budget as per their work plans.
4. The committee directs the department of Finance and Economic Planning to provide funds and ensure that all pending bills are paid to avoid unnecessary litigation and accumulation of outstanding payables.
5. The CECM Finance who is the custodian of all the imprests management should ensure that all the accounting officers comply with the provision of regulation 93 (iv, v, vi and

vii) of the Public Finance Management (County Governments Regulations 2015) and provide a status report on outstanding imprest within 30 days after adoption of this report.

That brings us to the end of the report. The report is signed by the Honourable members.

At this juncture, let me request my able member that is Hon. Sophie to second the motion;

(Applause)

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Mukhongo is eagle eyed here looking nicely around before finding the eye of Hon. Sophie Akoth.

Hon. Sophie Marumbu: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First, I want to applaud my Chair for having taken us through the report very fast and eloquently and I believe the members have really walked with him through the report. Thank you Chair.

Secondly, I stand to second the report.

(Applause)

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Sophie. Honourable members, a report having been properly moved and duly seconded, I now propose the question that this House adopts the report by sectoral committee on Finance and Economic Planning on the Bungoma County First Quarter Financial Statements ended 30th September 2021 in respect to the Department of Finance and Economic Planning.

I propose!

(Question proposed)

(Laughter)

Well, Honourable members, I now put a question that this House adopts the report by the sectoral committee on Finance and Economic Planning on the Bungoma County First quarter Financial Statements ended 30th September 2021 in respect to the department of Finance and Economic Planning.

(Question put and agreed to)

The Ayes have it!

(Applause)

Thank you Honourable members, the report is adopted and the table clerks will do what is necessarily required of them. I am happy that Hon. Nganga is here patiently following the

proceedings of this House and participating appropriately. There being no other business on the Order Paper...

(Applause)

...the House stands adjourned to tomorrow 2:30 p.m.

(House Adjourns)