

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KITUI



THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THIRD ASSEMBLY- SECOND SESSION (2023)

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS

(REPORT NO. 3)

REPORT ON THE VETTING OF NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT AS
MEMBERS OF THE MWINGI MUNICIPALITY BOARD

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Approved.

14/11/2023

The Clerk's Chamber,
County Assembly of Kitui,
Assembly Buildings,
Kitui, Kenya.

NOVEMBER, 2023

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Receiver, Universities attended by the nominees, Kenya National Examination Council (KNEC), Metropol CRB Ltd, CreditInfo and TransUnion CRB Ltd seeking background checks relating to the nominees.

The nominees appeared before the Committee on 11th and 12th October, 2023 for approval hearings during which they were examined based on the criteria provided for under section 8 of the PACAA Act. In addition, the Committee examined their academic credentials, relevant experience, knowledge of topical issues and integrity.

The Committee also examined the procedure used to arrive at the nominees for nomination, statutory requirements relating to the office of a member of a Municipality Board and the suitability of the nominees having regard to whether their abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the Mwingi Municipality Board as set under section 14 of the UAC Act.

Section 14 of the UAC Act establishes Boards of Municipalities and further provides that: -

- i) The Board shall be constituted as follows—
 - a) the County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for the time being responsible for cities and urban areas or his representative;
 - b) Three (3) Members who shall be appointed by the County Governor, with the approval of the County Assembly;
 - c) Four (4) 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.
- ii) Of the above members, seven (7) shall be appointed by the County Governor with the approval of the County Assembly.

2. Approves the nomination of Mr. Roland Mutua Kamotho for appointment as a Member of the Mwingi Municipality Board by H.E. the Governor, Kitui County.
3. Approves the nomination of Ms. Lydia Mwikali Kitonga for appointment as a Member of the Mwingi Municipality Board by H.E. the Governor, Kitui County.
4. Approves the nomination of Mr. Mbuvi Musyimi for appointment as a Member of the Mwingi Municipality Board by H.E. the Governor, Kitui County.
5. Approves the nomination of Dr. John Kyalo Muthuka for appointment as a Member of the Mwingi Municipality Board by H.E. the Governor, Kitui County.
6. Rejects the nomination of Ms. Everlyne Mutheu Kitheka for appointment as a Member of the Mwingi Municipality Board by H.E. the Governor, Kitui County;
7. Rejects the nomination of Ms. Eunice Mwikali Mutua for appointment as a Member of the Mwingi Municipality Board by H.E. the Governor, Kitui County.

Acknowledgment

The Committee registers its appreciation to the Office of the Speaker, Office of the Clerk and the Committee secretariat for the logistical support extended during the vetting process.

In addition, the Committee thanks the nominees for their cooperation during the vetting process. Finally, the Committee appreciates the government agencies that provided references and background checks relating to the suitability of the nominees.

I acknowledge and appreciate Members of the Committee for their patience, sacrifice and commitment which enabled the Committee to complete the task within the required timelines.

CHAPTER ONE

1.0 PREFACE

1.1 Establishment and Membership of the Committee

1. The Committee on Appointments is established under Standing Order 184 and was constituted by the House on 26th October, 2022 comprising of the following Members:

1. Hon. Kevin Kinengo Katisya	Chairperson
2. Hon. Harrison Maluki Mawia	Member
3. Hon. Alex Mutambu Nganga	Member
4. Hon. Hussein Mwandia	Member
5. Hon. Mathew Ngovi Vuthi	Member
6. Hon. Judith Wanza Kasyoka	Member

1.2 Notification of the Nominations

2. Through a letter dated 6th September, 2023 referenced *CGKTI/OOG/ADM/23/43* and pursuant to Section 14 of the Urban Areas and Cities Act (as amended in 2019 and hereinafter referred to as the “the UAC Act”) and Section 6 of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act (hereinafter referred to as “the PACAA, Act”), His Excellency (H.E.) the Governor Dr. Julius M. Malombe notified the County Assembly of the nomination of seven (7) persons for appointment as Members of the Mwingi Municipality Board (**Annexure ii**).

3. The list contained the following seven (7) persons:

Cluster 1- Competitively sourced by the Kitui County Public Service Board: -

1. **Mr. Alex Nzoka Mwanzia**
2. **Mr. Roland Mutua Kamotho**
3. **Ms. Everlyne Mutheu Kitheka**

Cluster 2- Nominated by associations: -

4. **Ms. Lydia Mwikali Kitonga**
5. **Ms. Eunice Mutua**
6. **Mr. Mbuvi Musyimi**

1.6 Clearances and Compliance requirements.

9. To ensure compliance with Chapter 6 of the Constitution, the County Assembly wrote to the below listed government agencies requesting them to issue reports on the nominees relating to the matters within the respective agencies' mandate:

i. Ethics & Anti – Corruption Commission (*the Commission*)

The Commission responded through a letter referenced EACC.7/10/5/Vol. XXV9159) dated 9th October, 2023 (**Annexure iv**), stating that it had neither undertaken any investigations nor recommended prosecution against any of the nominees pursuant to its mandate.

ii. Office of the Official Receiver

The Official Receiver through a letter referenced OR/COS/01/Vol. II dated 6th October, 2023 (**Annexure v**) confirmed that none of the nominees had been subjected to any insolvency proceedings.

iii. Authentication of academic certificates from various institutions

- a) Concerned Universities responded to the County Assembly's request confirming the authenticity of the nominees' academic certificates.
- b) Colleges responded to the County Assembly's request confirming the authenticity of the nominees' academic certificates save for Kenya Institute of Management (KIM) which invalidated Ms. Everlyne Mutheu Kitheka's Diploma Certificate (**Annexure vi**)
- c) Commission for University Education (CUE) responded that Vision Christian Bible College & Seminary that issued a diploma certificate to Ms. Eunice Mwikali Mutua is not recognized in Kenya (**Annexure vii**).
- d) Technical and Vocational Education and Training Authority (TVET) through a letter dated 14th November, 2023 indicated that Vision Christian Bible College and Seminary is not recognized in Kenya and Kreston College is accredited and has not legal mandate to award a qualification, thus invalidating Diploma certificates submitted by Eunice Mwikali Mutua and Everlyne Mutheu Kitheka respectively (**Annexure ix**).

- i. the Board shall be constituted as follows—
 - a) the County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for the time being responsible for cities and urban areas or his representative;
 - b) 3 Members who shall be appointed by the County Governor, with the approval of the County Assembly;
 - c) 4 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.
- ii. Of the above members, 7 shall be appointed by the County Governor with the approval of the County Assembly.
- iii. A person is 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;
 - d) satisfies the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution; is ordinarily resident or has a permanent dwelling in the Municipality; and
 - a) carries on business in the Municipality or has lived in the Municipality for at least five years.
- iv. A person shall not be appointed as a member of the Board if that person: -
 - e) is an undischarged bankrupt;
 - f) has been removed from office for contravening the Constitution or any other law;
 - g) is not a citizen of Kenya; or
 - h) has in the conduct of his or her affairs not met any statutory obligations.

13. Through an advertisement dated 14th June, 2023 (**Annexure x**), the County Public Service Board called for applications from qualified persons and the qualifications for the positions were published in the County Government website.

2.2 Committee proceedings.

21. The names having been committed, the Committee was required to conduct approval hearings and make determination on the nominees' suitability or otherwise within twenty-one (21) sitting days from its first sitting as provided for in section 9 of the PACAA Act.
22. The Committee held its first meeting to consider this subject matter on 26th September, 2023 and agreed on a framework for the approval hearings. It held further sittings within which it examined and reviewed the nominees' certificates and testimonials.
23. The nominees' suitability to the position and specifically as relates to whether their abilities, experience and qualities meet the set statutory requirements were assessed by scrutinizing their academic credentials, professional training and experience, personal integrity, background and qualities as well as their performance during the approval hearings held on 11th and 12th October, 2023.
24. Thereafter, the Committee retreated from 13th - 19th October 2023 to prepare its report. The report of the Committee contains its recommendations based on the outcome of the vetting and approval hearings of the nominees. Article 73(2) of the Constitution was paramount to the Committee during the execution of its mandate. The Article provides that the guiding principles of leadership and integrity as listed below should guide public appointments: -
 - i) Selection on the basis of personal integrity, competence and suitability;
 - ii) Objectivity and impartiality in decision making, and in ensuring that decisions are not influenced by nepotism, favoritism, other improper motives or corruption practices; and
 - iii) Selfless service based solely on public interest, demonstrated by: -
 - a) Honesty in the execution of public duties; and
 - b) The declaration of any personal interest that may conflict with public duties.

Academic and professional qualifications

29. He holds a Bachelor of Commerce (Finance option) from KCA University awarded in 2019. Further, the nominee is a holder of Certified Public Accountant (CPA) Section five (5) and Kenya Accounting Technician Certificate (KATC) and is currently pursuing CPA Section six (6).

Work experience

30. He has over twenty-two (22) years of work experience and currently works as a Finance Officer (School bursar) at Mwingi Boys Secondary School where he started as an accounts clerk and rose to the current position.

Net worth

31. His estimated net worth is Kenya shillings Eight Million (Kshs. 8M) with an outstanding credit facility of about Kenya Shillings One Million (Kshs. 1M) that he is currently servicing.

Integrity

32. The nominee submitted that he had never been charged in any court of law or adversely mentioned in any investigatory or parliamentary report of inquiry.

Original Documents

33. During the approval hearing, the nominee submitted the following original documents to the Committee for confirmation.

- i) Identification Card;
- ii) Academic and professional certificates; and
- iii) Clearances from: - KRA, HELB, DCI and CRB.

3.1.2 SPECIFIC QUESTIONS TO THE NOMINEE.

34. The Committee posed several specific questions to the nominee to which he responded as follows: -

3.2 MR. ROLAND MUTUA KAMOTHO

39. Mr. Roland Mutua Kamotho was competitively recruited by the Kitui County Public Service Board and nominated by H.E the Governor to the position of a member of the Mwingi Municipality Board in line with the UAC Act. He appeared before the Committee on 11th October, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. and was vetted under oath.

The Committee noted the following:

Date and place of birth

40. The nominee is a male Kenyan citizen born in 1958 and comes from Waita Ward, in Mwingi Central Sub- County.

Academic and professional qualifications.

41. The nominee holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Nairobi awarded in 1985 and a Master of Arts from the same institution awarded in 2016. The nominee also holds a Post graduate diploma in education from Kenyatta University awarded in 1991 and a Diploma in Education from Kenya Education Management Institute awarded in 2013.

Work experience

42. The nominee has over thirty (30) years' work experience as a teacher. The nominee served as a teacher in various secondary schools raising to the rank of a principal. He has since retired and is currently a businessman.

Net worth.

43. The nominee estimated his current net worth to be Kenya Shillings Twenty Million (Kshs. 20 million).

Integrity.

44. The nominee submitted that he had never been charged in any court of law or adversely mentioned in any investigatory or parliamentary report of inquiry.

49. The nominee submitted that he will ensure gainful use of land within the Municipality by causing, through the Board, proper mapping, planning and zoning of the land to ensure that each piece of land is put to good use.

On measures he will take to ensure protection of government land.

50. The nominee submitted that once the land within the Municipality is mapped, the Board will be in a position to locate with ease each plot and the activities undertaken therein.

The nominee further submitted that the Board will be in a position to make by-laws that promote protection of government land within the Municipality as well as curb grabbing by profiteers.

On how the Board will deal with small traders and hawkers.

51. The nominee acknowledged the importance of small traders and hawkers to Mwingi's economy and Kitui at large and submitted that he will suggest to the Board to engage the small traders and hawkers so that they can relocate to a suitable designated area amicably. In the event that they decline to relocate willingly, the Board will then invoke the law and the approved by-laws.

On whether the buses that stop near Cooperative Bank will be relocated.

52. The nominee submitted that since there are designated bus stops within the main urban centers, the buses will be required to stop in those designated areas without which the applicable laws and by-laws shall be enforced as against the bus owners.

On the territorial jurisdiction of the Mwingi Municipality.

53. The nominee submitted that he is aware that Mwingi Municipality covers three wards fully and three wards partially. These Wards are Mwingi Central, Kivou, Waita, Kiomo/Kyethani, Kyome/Thaana and Migwani.

3.3 MS. EVERLYNE MUTHEU KITHEKA

54. The nominee appeared before the Committee on 11th October, 2023 at 11.30 a.m. and was heard under oath.

On her education and experience to the Position;

62. The nominee submitted that she holds a Diploma in Business Administration from KIM and that she has the requisite skills to execute her duties in the position nominated. She further submitted that she is currently the Managing Director of a private Company in Mwingi town a position she has held for over fifteen (15) years.

On the role of a Municipality Board Member.

63. She submitted that the Board would be responsible for monitoring all the operations of the Municipality including but not limited to resolving disputes and making pertinent decisions for the Municipality through passing relevant by-laws and budgeting for the functions of the Municipality.

On her suitability for the position

64. She submitted that she has been a resident of Mwingi Town for over Twenty (20) years based on which she understood the problems and challenges facing the people of Mwingi Municipality.

On land use and protection of government land from grabbers.

65. She submitted that she would through the Board, seek to protect government land from land grabbers and repossess land that is already grabbed by private entities in line with the law.

3.4 MS. LYDIA MWIKALI KITONGA

66. The nominee was nominated by the Larger Mwingi Youth Link, an association operating in Mwingi town and appeared before the Committee on 12th October, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. and was heard under oath.

The Committee noted the following: -

Date and place of birth.

67. The nominee is a female Kenyan citizen born in 1999 and comes from Mwingi Central Ward, Mwingi Central Sub-County. She resides in Mwingi Central Ward.

On her suitability for the position

74. She stated that she is suitable for the position based on her profession and academic qualification. In addition, she has leadership and financial management skills.

On the territorial jurisdiction of the Mwingi Municipality

75. She submitted that Mwingi Municipality covers six (6) Wards, three (3) fully and three (3) partially namely Mwingi Central, Kivou, Migwani, Kiomo/Kyethani, Kyome/Thaana and Waita Wards.

On why she should be approved for the position.

76. She informed the Committee that she meets the requirements for appointment as she resides within the Municipality, carries out business in the Municipality, has experience and various skills such as management and leadership.

3.5 MS. EUNICE MWIKALI MUTUA

77. The nominee was nominated by Shiloh Saving Credit Cooperative Ltd also known as Mwingi Clergy Self Help Group in line with the provisions of Section 14 (2) (c) of the Urban Areas and Cities Act (Amendment) Act, 2019 to represent faith-based associations within the Municipality. The nominee appeared before the Committee on 12th October, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. and was heard under oath.

The Committee noted the following: -

Date and place of birth

78. The nominee is a female Kenyan citizen born in 1971 and comes from Mui Ward, Mwingi Central Sub-County.

Academic and professional qualifications

79. She holds a Ministerial Diploma and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Biblical Studies all from Vision Christian Bible College & Seminary. She also attended Coast Institute of Technology where she pursued a certificate in Food & Beverage Production and Services.

that she applied for the position of a Mwingi Municipality Board Member to the Organization's Coordinator to be nominated under the Association category where she emerged the top candidate and was thus nominated.

On the territorial jurisdiction of the Mwingi Municipality

87. The nominee submitted that she is aware that Mwingi Municipality covers three wards fully and three wards partially. These Wards are Mwingi Central, Kivou, Waita, Kiomo/Kyethani, Kyome/Thaana and Migwani.

On why she considers herself qualified for the position

88. The nominee submitted that she has the necessary academic qualifications, has the requisite experience and has been a resident of Mwingi Town for a long time. She stated that she understands the challenges facing the Mwingi Municipality residents.

3.6 MR. MBUVI MUSYIMI

89. The nominee was nominated by the Mwingi Hawkers Association an association representing the informal sector and appeared before the Committee on 12th October, 2023 at 11:30 a.m. and was heard under oath.

The Committee noted the following: -

Date and place of birth.

90. The nominee is a male Kenyan citizen born in 1988 and comes from Kivou Ward, Mwingi Central Sub County.

Academic and professional qualifications.

91. The nominee holds a diploma in Early Childhood Development Education (E.C.D.E) from Mwingi Destiny College and a certificate in E.C.D.E from the same institution.

Work experience

92. The nominee served as a teacher from 2011 to 2015 and currently works as a businessman in Mwingi town.

3.7 DR. JOHN KYALO MUTHUKA

99. The nominee was nominated by Kyulungwa Professional Association (KYUPRA), and appeared before the Committee on 12th October, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. and was heard under oath.

The Committee noted the following: -

Date and place of birth

100. The nominee is a male Kenyan citizen born in 1978 and comes from Waita Ward in Mwingi Central Sub-County.

Academic and professional qualifications

101. The nominee holds a Ph.D. in Epidemiology from Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology (JKUAT) University, a Master's in Public Health from JKUAT University, a Bachelor degree in Public Health from the University of Nairobi, a higher national diploma in Medical Biotechnology from Technical University of Kenya, a diploma in Pharmacy from Kabete National Polytechnic, diploma in Nutritional Medicine from Institute of Healthcare Management in addition to other several short courses.

Work experience

102. The nominee has over fifteen (15) year work experience and currently works as an external lecturer at KEMRI. He also works as a lecturer/researcher at Kenya Medical Training College (KMTTC). The nominee also worked as a part time lecturer at Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology (JKUAT), The Technical University of Kenya, Kenya Medical Training College (KMTTC) and other several institutions. Previously, he worked as a representative at Namm Pharmaceuticals Pharm Ltd, and Nature Pharmaceuticals Pharm Ltd.

Net worth

103. He estimated his net worth to be between Kenya Shillings Fifteen to Twenty Million (Ksh. 15-20M).

its decision-making processes. He stated that he possesses collaborative skills that will help him join hands with other entities to prosper the Municipality.

He reiterated that his prowess as a consultant would come handy in mobilizing resources and soliciting for grants and aid for the Municipality to grow and his

He said he possesses emotional intelligence that would help him deal with diverse collaborators in the Municipality.

On the value the nominee would bring to the Municipality as a professional

109. The nominee said that public health was a component of Mwingi Municipality and as a specialist he would be able to map out areas that need to be addressed without necessarily hiring consultants.

CHAPTER FOUR

4.0 COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS AND FINDINGS ON THE SUITABILITY OF THE NOMINEES.

Specific Observations

110. Guided by Section 14 of the UAC Act and section 8 of the PACAA Act, the Committee made its observations. In line with the aforementioned sections, the Committee is required to consider the following: -

- a) the procedure used to arrive at the nominee(s) including the criteria for the shortlisting of the nominee(s);
- b) any constitutional or statutory requirements relating to the office in question; and
- c) the suitability of the nominee(s) for the appointment proposed having regard to whether the nominee's credentials, abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the body to which the nomination is being made.

111. Having considered the nominees' completed questionnaires, their *Curricula Vitae* and oral submissions during the approval hearings, the Committee made the following observations as relates to their suitability for appointment as Members of the Mwingi Municipality Board: -

121. He meets the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Constitution on leadership and integrity having been cleared by the relevant government agencies.
122. The nominee demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and general issues touching on the Mwingi Municipality and the requisite abilities to deal with different issues likely to affect the Municipality.
123. He demonstrated capacity to solve problems associated with the Municipality.
124. He poses the requisite qualifications and experience to serve as Member of the Municipality Board.
125. For over twenty years, he has been a permanent resident working and carrying out business within the Mwingi Municipality.

4.3 MS. EVERLYNE MUTHEU KITHEKA

126. The nominee is eligible for appointment as a Member of the Municipality Board as she is a Kenyan citizen.
127. She has over five (5) years of working experience in the private sector as a business person. The nominee has experience in business management.
128. The nominee demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and general issues touching on the Mwingi Municipality.
129. She has been a permanent resident for over twenty years and carrying out business within the Mwingi Municipality.
130. She presented diploma certificates in Business Administration from KIM and another from Kreston College. Upon verification, the two Diploma Certificates were found to be invalid and valid respectively. The nominee is therefore not qualified in terms of Section 14 of the UAC Act.
131. That the KCSE Certificate presented by the nominee was found to be forged upon verification from KNEC.

4.4 MS. LYDIA MWIKALI KITONGA.

132. The nominee is eligible for appointment as a Member of the Municipality Board as she is a Kenyan citizen.

to award any qualification. Thus she is not qualified in terms of Section 14 of UAC Act.

4.6 MR. MBUVI MUSYIMI

144. The nominee is eligible for appointment as a Member of the Municipality Board as he is a Kenyan citizen.

145. He holds a diploma in E.C.D.E from Mwingi Destiny College and a certificate course in E.C.D.E from the same institution.

146. He has over five (5) years' teaching experience and carries out business within the Municipality. Therefore, his academic credentials, professional training and experience comply with section 14 of the Cities Act.

147. The nominee meets the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Constitution on leadership and integrity having been cleared by the relevant government agencies.

148. The nominee demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and general issues touching on the Mwingi Municipality and has the requisite abilities, qualifications and experience to serve as Member of the Municipality Board.

149. He has been a permanent resident and carrying out business within the Mwingi Municipality.

4.7 DR. JOHN KYALO MUTHUKA

150. The nominee is eligible for appointment as a Member of the Municipality Board as he is a Kenyan citizen.

151. The nominee holds a Ph.D. in Epidemiology and a Master's in Public Health both from JKUAT University. He also holds a Bachelor's degree in Public Health from the University of Nairobi, a higher national diploma in Medical Biotechnology from Technical University of Kenya, a diploma in Pharmacy from Kabete National Polytechnic, diploma in Nutritional Medicine from Institute of Healthcare Management in addition to other several short courses and thus qualified in terms of section 14 of the Cities Act.

152. The nominee has over fifteen (15) years work experience and currently works as an external lecturer at KEMRI. He also works as a lecturer/researcher at Kenya

3. Approves the nomination of Ms. Lydia Mwikali Kitonga for appointment as a Member of the Mwingi Municipality Board by H.E. the Governor, Kitui County;
4. Approves the nomination of Mr. Mbuvi Musyimi for appointment as a Member of the Mwingi Municipality Board by H.E. the Governor, Kitui County;
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6. Rejects the nomination of Ms. Eunice Mwikali Mutua for appointment as a Member of the Mwingi Municipality Board by H.E. the Governor, Kitui County; and
7. Rejects the nomination of Ms. Everlyne Mutheu Kitheka for appointment as a Member of the Mwingi Municipality Board by H.E. the Governor, Kitui County.

Annexure (i)

We, the Members of the Committee on Appointments have adopted this Report and hereby affix our signatures to affirm our approval and confirm its accuracy, validity and authenticity:-

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DESIGNATION</u>	<u>SIGNATURE</u>
1. Hon. Kevin Kinengo Katisya	Chairperson	
2. Hon. Harrison Maluki Mawia	Member	
3. Hon. Alex Mutambu Nganga	Member
4. Hon. Hussein Mwandia	Member	
5. Hon. Mathew Ngovi Vuthi	Member	
6. Hon. Judith Kasyoka Wanza	Member	

Annexure (ii)

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6th September, 2023

Hon. Kelvin Katisya

The Speaker
The County Assembly of Kitui

Dear *Hon Speaker,*

RE: NOMINEES FOR MWINGI MUNICIPALITY BOARD

The above subject matter refers.

Section 11 of the Urban Areas and Cities (Amendment) Act, 2019 provides for the constitution of the municipality boards through the appointment of the following as members:

- (1) The County Executive Member for the time being responsible for cities and urban areas or his representative;
- (2) Three members who shall be appointed by the County Governor, with the approval of the County Assembly;
- (3) Four members who shall be nominated by an association and appointed by the County Governor, with the approval of the County Assembly;
- (4) The Chief Officer responsible for urban development; and
- (5) The Municipal Manager appointed under Section 28 of the Urban Areas and Cities Act, 2021, shall be the secretary of the board and an ex officio member of the board.

requested to nominate 3 persons (male and female) to ensure the two-thirds (2/3) gender rule is observed in the constitution of the municipality board.

The following aspects have been considered in making the nominations:

- (i) Persons with at least a diploma as prescribed minimum academic qualification in line with the Urban Areas and Cities (Amendment) Act, 2019;
- (ii) Residents of areas/villages/neighbourhoods within the municipality. The said areas/villages/ neighbourhoods are: Kanzanzu, Kavuvwani, Mwingi, Mulanga, Mathyakani, Kalisasi, Kyanika, Ithumbi, Kivou, Kisama, Enziu, Kanzui, Mwambui, Ikuusya, Thonoa, Waita, Kathoka, Nyanyaa/ Katitika, Kisungula, Kwa Nungu, Mutuaani, Katalwa, Kilulu, Kisovo, Mbondoni, Kiomo, Kairungu, Kakongo, Kyethani, Wikithuki, Karura, Thokoa, Kasevi, Musuani, and Ndaluni;
- (iii) Observance of the two-thirds (2/3) constitutional gender rule;
- (iv) Inter-generational inclusivity where youth, middle-aged as well as older persons are represented; and
- (v) People with disability (PWD).

The Mwingi Municipality Board nominees are therefore hereby forwarded for approval consideration by the County Assembly after which I will appoint and gazette the vetted/appointed nominees.

Yours *Sincerely,*



H. E Dr. Julius M. Malombe, EGH
GOVERNOR, KITUI COUNTY