



THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF THARAKA NITHI

SECOND ASSEMBLY – (FOURTH SESSION)

ORDER PAPER

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2020 AT 9.30 A.M.

PRAYERS

1. Administration of Oath
2. Communication from the Chair
3. Messages
4. Petitions
5. Papers
6. Notices of Motion (as listed in the appendix)
7. Statements
8. *****THE THARAKA NITHI COUNTY YOUTH EMPOWERMENT BILL, 2020**
(First Reading)
9. *****THE THARAKA NITHI COUNTY FLAG, EMBLEM AND NAME PROTECTION BILL, 2020**
(First Reading)

APPENDIX

NOTICE OF MOTION

MOTION ON REVENUE RAISING MEASURES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2020/2021

(Chairperson Committee on Finance Budget and Appropriations)

AWARE THAT, The Public Finance Management Act Section 133 provides that not later than ninety days after passing the Appropriation Bill, the County Assembly shall consider and approve the Finance Bill with or without amendments.

FURTHER AWARE THAT, The Tharaka Nithi County Finance Bill 2020 was laid on the table of the House on 10th June, 2020 following the pronouncement of Budget Highlights and revenue raising measures by the County Executive Committee Member in charge of Finance.

COGNIZANT THAT, the County Finance bill provides a framework for setting out the annual amount of county rates and other taxes, trade licence fees and other fees and charges for services provided by the County Government. Any increases to the trade licence fees or property rates for a particular year ought to be set out in the County Finance bill for that year and the rates and trade licence laws will remain unchanged. The same applies for increases to fees and charges for services provided. The County Government should have a clear legal basis for raising revenue as both provided for in the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 and County legislation in the case for taxes, fees and charges.

ACKNOWLEDGING THAT, Article 118 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, section 87 of the County Government Act, 2012 and Standing order 152 of the Tharaka Nithi County Assembly Standing orders provides for the premise of conducting public participation.

NOTING THAT, the first COVID-19 case was confirmed in Kenya on 13th March, 2020 by the Ministry of Health. The government immediately put in place prudent and necessary measures to curb the spread of the disease forcing organizations including Parliament to re-evaluate the manner in which it carries out its operations.

APPRECIATING THAT, the finance bill was one of the core bills that directly impacts on the citizens of Tharaka Nithi as they pay for the services offered by the County Government in one way or another. In light of this, the Committee on Finance, Budget and appropriations noted that it would not be able to carry out a comprehensive public participation to hear the views on the Finance bill, 2020 due to the effects of COVID-19 pandemic.

NOW THEREFORE, The County Assembly of Tharaka Nithi resolves as follows:

1. The County Government of Tharaka Nithi raises revenue for the financial year 2020/2021 using the Tharaka Nithi County Finance Act, 2019;
2. That the County Executive Committee Member in charge of Finance develops substantive county laws imposing taxes, fees and charges such as the trade license bill and property rates bill among others.

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