

**MINUTES OF THE CITIZEN FORUM MEETING ON THE CITIZEN BUDGET
OF HOMABAY MUNICIPALITY HELD ON 16th JANUARY, 2024 AT THE HOMA
BAY MUNICIPALITY OFFICE**

OPENING SESSION:

The Citizen Forum commenced at 11:12am, led by a word of prayer from Mr. Joshua Ouma – Chairperson Soko Mjinga Market

Mr. Mark Oketch -Municipal Manager, the Chairperson, called the meeting to order and invited Ms. Dorothy Commissioner Homa Bay municipal Board Member to give opening remarks and officially welcome all the participants to the Forum.

The Municipal manager stated that in September 2023, they municipality team were invited for a meeting by the COG in Nairobi and one of the requirements was for the municipality to conduct a citizen forum to discuss the FY 2023/2024 budget allocation for development with all the stakeholders within the municipality.

He also added that the Forum was meant to collect the varied opinions, proposals and the sentiments of all the stakeholders on the approved development projects that are meant to be beneficial to all the municipality community members.

MINUTE 1/01/2024: CITIZEN BUDGET

The accountant stated that in the FY 2023/2024 the Board printed allocation totalled to KSh.49, 253,552. The allocation for development was KSh.20, 444,559 for the acquisition and development of Dumpsite at KSh.11, 000, 000, Renovation of Homa Bay Market at Kshs 1,194.559 under KUSP-UDG and acquisition of land for cemetery at Ksh 8,250,000.

She also added that the budget had already been passed, however there was need to get the varied opinions of the stakeholders on the implementation of the approved development budget within homa bay municipality

She further indicated that Homa bay municipality has a designated dumpsite and cemetery within the same parcel of land located in Sofia and that the current location was not viable as Homa Bay town is experiencing rapid urbanization that is expanding fast towards the outskirts.

The Environmentalist highlighted that having a dumpsite within a residential area could lead to Improper disposal of the municipal solid waste can create unsanitary conditions and these conditions in turn can lead to pollution of the environment and outbreak of vector borne disease.

She explained that the Dumpsite being located in a densely populated location is a health hazard to the community members .

She added that there was need to conduct a EAI so as to decide on the appropriate site to relocate the dumpsite.

The accountant opened the floor to all the stakeholders to give their suggestions on the budget allocation to the municipality;

Mr. Leonard suggested that the since the cemetery and the dumpsite were located in the same place, the dumpsite could be relocated and the shared parcel should be left for the cemetery

Mr. Jackson -Chair Homa Bay market stated that even though the renovation for the modern market were completed and paid, there were some parts of the market that still had leakages and needed urgent attention. He requested if part of the allocated budget could be used to renovate the remaining parts.

He also stated that the market did not have a proper drainage system leading to improper disposal of the liquid waste. He added that the markets drainage system should be considered in the budget

The chair further suggested that both the dumpsite and the cemetery should be relocated from their current location to encourage development and expansion of the town.

The chair informed the Forum that waste management within the municipality was not up to the required standards as the skips for waste collection within the municipality are not enough. He added that the fish waste at the pier market were not being properly disposed leading to air pollution.

The environment officer stated that the skips available within the municipality were enough the only challenge was the availability of skip loaders and tracks within the municipality.

Ms. Dorothy suggested that there should be at least two or three enforcement officers posted at the market dumpsite to control the segregation of waste within the market.

The environment officer suggested that sensitization of all the traders and community members within the municipality should be done to encourage segregation of waste at source. She added that segregation of waste at source will encourage proper waste disposal.

Traders suggested that the dumpsite and cemetery should be moved to kabunde area to allow for development of a modern dumpsite.

The accountant communicated that kabunde area may not be viable as there are

ngoing plans to expand the Kabunde airstrip.

It was agreed that:

- The approved development budget for Homa Bay municipality will be adopted as per the allocations.
- The most ideal location to relocate the dumpsite and the cemetery was Lambwe area.
- That the municipality should start scouting for ideal locations where the dumpsite will be relocated
- That a modern dumpsite should be considered when development is being done to in cooperate recycling at the site which will in turn create employment.
- Enforcement should be placed within the markets to control waste flow
- Capacity building and sensitization on waste management should be done.

MINUTE 2/01/2024: DEVELOPMET IDEAS FOR THE NEXT BUDGET ALLOCATION

The accountant stated that as a municipality we are expecting to receive the next round of funding from world bank that is meant for development. She explained that the projects to be implemented with the allocation are to benefit the community members directly.

She then welcomed all the stakeholders to give suggestions and opinions on the projects they would want prioritized in the next development budget allocation.

SUGGESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

- The chair market suggested that Soko mjinga market should be considered for development as it is in a terrible condition when it rains despite the fact that the traders in the market are paying revenue.
- Mr. Thomas suggested that a market and bus stop should be developed in Nyalkinyi and Rodi to expand the town outwards.
- Ms. Dorothy suggested that beautification of municipality should be considered. She added that passenger walk ways and zebra crossing would make the town accessible.
- Mr. Wilson stated that there was need to move the sofia market away from the road for the safety of traders.
- Mr. Mathew suggested that taxis within the town should have a

designated parking ground.


- Mr. Joshua Parking areas within the municipality should be regulated to maximize on revenue collection.
- Ms. Martha suggested that liquid waste management within the municipality should be enforced.

The meeting concluded with a commitment to implementing agreed-upon actions and planning for the next citizen forum

Being no any other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2.00pm led by a word of prayer from one member Mr. Mathew.

Confirmed by Mark Olatun

Seconded by

Signature 

Signature



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COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF HOMABAY HOMA BAY TOWN MUNICIPALITY



HOMA BAY COUNTY

CITIZEN FORAM

DATE 16/1/24

ATTENDANCE SHEET

PROJECT NAME

CITIZEN BUDGET

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3	Joel Osiro	Retail shop	0708287103	27929483	
4	JOSEPH O. AWIRU	CHAIRMAN	0743440368	8594419	
5	Rose Edris Gimonyi	Chair, pier market	0725424534	8578390	
6	Thomas Mbotia Kemea	Modern Market	0729963545	14619068	
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20	Nancy Achen	Pier Market	0722663722	26124423	
21	MARITA ADHAMBO	Soko MUMBA	0720225361	25131923	
22	Robinson Opiro	Procurement	0700201492	33011410	
23	BELINDA AIKENO	Clerical	0723091734	22297027	
24	James O. Oboer	INSPECTION	0790086011	10821192	
25	BRIAN GORDON	S. constable	0740213614	33835679	
25	Vera ANUOR		07944401225	31314859	
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4.	Dickens Akoo	Bus Park	33459438	0725364951	D
5.	Pauline Acheng	Municipal Manager	32467282	0703473142	P
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