



REPUBLIC OF KENYA



COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS

**RESOLUTIONS AT THE END OF THE FIRST EDITION OF THE
KENYA URBAN FORUM 2023 HELD FROM 14TH TO 16TH
JUNE, 2023 AT LAKE NAIVASHA RESORT, NAIVASHA
MUNICIPALITY**

The First Edition of the Kenya Urban Forum 2023 convened by the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development in collaboration with the Council of Governors, the World Bank, UN-Habitat, Kenya Institute of Planners, National Land Commission, and other partners, was held from **14th to 16th June, 2023** at Lake Naivasha Resort, Naivasha Municipality.

The conference took note of the urban sector enabling Legislations, Policies, and Global urbanization frameworks including the Resolutions of the 2nd United Nations Habitat Assembly, the New Urban Agenda, and the SDG11 Indicators to anchor the urbanization discourse.

The Forum deliberated and made following resolutions in line with the conference theme, ***"The Future is Urban – Strategic Pathways to Inclusive and Sustainable Urbanization in Kenya,"***

THAT;

1. The National and County Governments in partnership with urban sector stakeholders shall review and harmonize the urban sector Legislations including; County Government Act 2012, Physical and Land Use Planning Act 2019, Urban Areas and Cities Act 2011 (amended in 2019) to guide urban planning and development.
2. The National Government in collaboration with the County Governments, and other urban sector stakeholders shall review the Sessional Paper No. 1 of 2016 on the National Urban Development Policy to align to existing urbanization dynamics and realities.
3. The National Government in collaboration with the Council of Governors shall create a framework to establish, and operationalize the **National Urban Development Fund** as provided for in the National Urban Development Policy.
4. The County Governments with the support of National Government and urban sector stakeholders shall establish mechanisms to leverage own-source revenue potentials as identified in the study by the Commission on Revenue Allocation including adoption of innovative funding mechanisms such as the Land Value Capture.
5. The National and County governments shall strengthen and expand cooperation and multilevel climate action in order to enhance inclusion of local-level contributions in new and updated nationally determined contributions and support the implementation of nationally determined contributions at the local level.
6. The National Government shall establish an Urban Sector Working Group, comprising of urban sector stakeholders, and convened by the State Department for Housing and Urban Development (Urban Development Department) to support the process of attaining

Inclusive and Sustainable Urbanization in Kenya.

7. The National and County Governments shall collaborate in the provision of adequate housing for all including by integrating urban social rental housing into the Affordable Housing Program (AHP).
8. County Governments shall develop county legislations envisaged in section 173 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 to guide allocation of funds to cities and urban areas.
9. The County Governments shall prepare Integrated Urban Development Plans for all the cities and urban areas as a basis for allocating budget and guiding implementation of the County Integrated Development Plan.
10. County Governments shall establish urban institutions including city and municipality boards, town and market centre committees that are well resourced with requisite human and financial capacities to effectively perform their mandate in line with the Urban Areas and Cities Act 2011 (amended in 2019) and their respective charters.
11. County Governments shall prepare the necessary development control tools and ensure strict compliance and enforcement to the same to achieve planned urbanization.
12. There shall be a harmonized approach to urban land management with more emphasis on accessibility to land as opposed to land ownership. All public land shall be inventorized, planned, surveyed, and titled for land banking to support public purpose developments and investments.

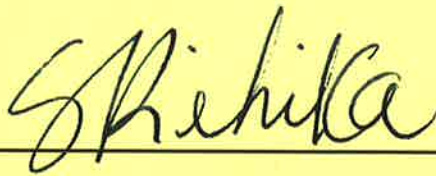
13. National and County Governments together with urban sector stakeholders develop a roadmap towards Kenya's participation in the 12th World Urban Forum in Egypt.

Signed:



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