

**KENYA URBAN SUPPORT PROGRAM**  
**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON PROJECT IDENTIFICATION MEETINGS CONDUCTED**  
**AT BORO, KAREMO AND SIAYA AGRICULTURAL TRAINING COLLEGE**

**INTRODUCTION**

Kenya Urban Support Program (KUSP) is a World Bank funded programme targeting 45 counties in Kenya with special focus on Urban Municipalities. Siaya being the County Headquarter thus qualifies to benefit from the programme as one of the municipalities. KUSP is a long-term program for a term of five years with funding of Kshs. 50 million each financial year, summing up to 250 million at the end of the five financial years.

The program is project specific covering five eligible project areas as outlined below;

1. Waste management
2. Storm drainage
3. Connectivity (Roads, Non-Motorized Transport Facilities, and Street and Security lights)
4. Urban Socio-Economic Infrastructure.
5. Fire and Disaster Management.

The Program empowers stakeholders i.e. public within the municipality to identify projects that can impact their lives in line with the program terms and conditions. In that regard, Siaya Municipal Board in liaison with the County Department of Lands, Physical Planning, Housing & Urban Development conducted three stakeholder's engagement meetings at Boro, Karemo and Siaya Agricultural Training College (ATC) to collect Siaya Municipality residents' views on identification of a suitable project.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING HELD AT BORO CHIEF'S CAMP ON THURSDAY  
15<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2019 FROM 10:40 AM**

**AGENDA**

1. Introduction/ Opening Remarks
2. Presentation by the Technical Team
3. Open Plenary
4. Proposals on the project menu
5. Resolutions
6. Closing Remarks

**MIN 01/15/8/2019: PRELIMINARIES**

The meeting was called to order at 10:45 am by the Master of Ceremony, Sub County Administrator of Alego Usonga Mr. Vitalis Ochieng and began with a word of prayer from James Waringa a member of Winners youth group.

**MIN 02/15/8/2019: INTRODUCTION/OPENING REMARKS**

The Master of Ceremony Mr. Vitalis then took the meeting through an introductory session by acknowledging all Community Based groups represented, individuals and County Government officers present at the meeting as follows;

1. Mr. Walter Okello- Chief Officer Lands
2. Prof. Paul Achola- Chairman Municipal Board
3. Madam Grace Juma-Deputy Chairperson Municipal Board
4. Dr. Micheal Were – Board Member
5. County Departments represented: -
  - Public works, Energy, Roads and Transport
  - Trade and Enterprise development
  - Governance and Administration
  - Directorate of Supply Chain Management
  - Lands, Physical planning, Housing and Urban Development
  - Education. Youth Affairs, Gender and Social
  - Sub county administrator
  - Area MCA's office
  - Ward administrator
6. National Administration
7. Kenya Urban Roads Authority
8. Building and Construction
9. Representative from the Office of Women Rep
10. Nyiego CBO
11. Rawa youth group
12. Winners youth group

13. Boda Boda youth group
14. Boro market business community
15. ODM party
16. Persons living with disabilities
17. Teaching Fraternity
18. Community Health Volunteers)
19. Yesu Nyale – Boro
20. Seeds of Peace
21. Kiosk Owners
22. Community members

### **Opening Remarks - Chief Officer Lands, Physical Planning Housing and Urban Development**

The Chief Officer welcomed participants to the public engagement forum and lauded them for their attendance and punctuality. He updated the meeting of the constitution of the Municipal Board following the approval of the Municipal Charter by the County Assembly and subsequent appointment of the Siaya Municipal Board members which was fully operational and ready to work.

He further informed the meeting of the coverage of the Municipality which extends to; Hawinga Junction past Boro, along Siaya Rwambwa Road to the West, Rock along Siaya-Bondo road to the South, Ndere Market center to the North and Dondi shopping center to the East. He concluded by informing the meeting of the purpose of the public participation forum in collecting public views on the outlined projects.

### **Communication from the Chairman Siaya Municipal Board**

The Chairman of the Siaya Municipal Board introduced members of the board who were present and emphasized the need for proper planning of the municipality in order to attract Investors and Donors. He confirmed to the meeting that their views were necessary to help the board implement identified projects and it was important to hear views from diverse representation including; women, persons living with disability, the youth and the elderly.

### **MIN 03/15/8/2019: PRESENTATION BY THE TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT**

Presentations were made on behalf of the technical department by the Director Physical Planning and Director Housing and Urban Development respectively.

The first presentation by the Director Physical Planning was an overview of Kenya Urban Support Program. He informed the meeting of the commencement of KUSP that is funded by World Bank in 2016 and its coverage in 45 counties in Kenya. He also stated that KUSP targeted municipalities as constituted under the Urban Areas and Cities Act. According to the National Census of 2009, Siaya was recorded as having a population

of 22,000 residents. He stated that whereas a town qualifies to be a Municipality by having a population of 50,000 Siaya qualified as a Municipality due to its status as a County Headquarter. It was therefore issued with funding amounting to Kshs. 250 million to be shared in five years, thus 50 million per year.

The Director Housing and Urban Development delivered the second presentation on eligible funding areas which is key to enable easy identification of projects by stakeholders. The eligible funding areas include;

**a) Waste Management- Solid and Liquid**

He stated that solid waste related to collection equipment, collection bins, transfer stations and collection points while liquid waste related to sludge ponds, community septic tanks, vacuum trucks, vacuum handcarts among others.

**b) Storm Drainage**

He pointed to the various initiatives that focus on storm drainage including river training/flooding, urban storm drainage facilities, urban storm water infrastructure as well as block drains and walkways.

**c) Connectivity**

The Director also discussed projects under connectivity which are; street lighting, footpaths, passenger paths, biking lanes and street signage.

**d) Urban Socio-Economic infrastructure**

Infrastructure within the urban socio-economic framework includes; Open public spaces with all-weather seats, internet facilities and roadside walks; urban landmarks and monuments; public recreational parks; greening the municipality; parking for private cars and bikes; curb soil erosion; café; advertising.

**e) Fire and disaster management**

He stated that management of fire and disasters captured disaster management facilities like fire station and related equipment.

**MIN 04/15/8/2019: OPEN PLENARY AND PROPOSALS**

The meeting thereafter had plenary which was moderated by Matthews Oluoch, a representative from the Directorate of Public Participation, County Government Siaya. He outlined provisions of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 which address public participation as a requirement in championing development in any set up. He stated that public participation is anchored in the Constitution of Kenya 2010 with all sovereign power resting with the people of Kenya and article 174, also has provisions on public participation.

He thereafter invited the public to deliberate on the eligible project areas and raise any technical concerns they may have in view of the presentations.

**Technical clarification session**

<b>s/no</b>	<b>Name:</b>	<b>Emerging Issues:</b>	<b>Response:</b>
1	Ward Manager Central Alego	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Planning of markets</li> <li>2. Land grabbing issues in Siaya</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Most markets within Siaya have been planned and the remaining markets within the municipality to be worked on during the current 2019/2020 FY</li> <li>▪ Boro market yet to be planned.</li> </ul>
2	Alfred Owuor	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Other than the five projects is there chance to propose a project for Boro?</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Bank had clearly outlined the five eligible expenditure areas that the funds are channeled to.</li> </ul>
3	James Waringa (Winners youths concern)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Availability of funds</li> <li>2. Planning being done</li> <li>3. Public opinion should have been taken first before identifying the projects</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Funding of Kshs. 50 million already available and ready for use.</li> <li>▪ Siaya Town has an existing plan.</li> </ul>
4	Charles Ogolla	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Where is the project going to be implemented as most of the available land belongs to the people?</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proper land acquisition process will be done should the project site exceed the public land available.</li> </ul>
5	Juma Owira( Nyiego Women Group)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Requested consideration to supply tree seedlings should the environmental section be considered</li> <li>2. Requested for consideration of the road leading to their project as its impassible</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seedlings fate purely depends on the public opting for urban greening</li> <li>• The project only deals with non-motorized roads</li> </ul>

6	Mahula [Businessman]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Most plots are underdeveloped</li> <li>2 Where will the project be carried out as most land has been grabbed?</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The first phase of the project to be carried out in Siaya town with spillover effect.</li> </ul>
7	Ondiege	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Position of the board member who was not cleared by the assembly</li> <li>2 Choose projects that can enhance generation of livelihood for the public</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• C.O-Formation of the Board was done in accordance with Urban Areas and Cities Act as amended in 2019 and the Siaya Municipal Charter.</li> <li>• The case in question was petitioned by the Boda Boda association</li> <li>• The uncleared board member's fate purely rests with the Boda Boda association.</li> </ul>
8	Alfonse Oketch[ Boda Boda]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Is the Board going to award contractors that will do shoddy jobs?</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ World Bank has its standards for awarding contracts.</li> </ul>
9	Oliver Odhiambo	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 What will the remaining funds be used for after the identified project is completed?</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All the available funds will be directed to projects in totality, with consideration of complementarity of some projects.</li> </ul>
10	Carolyne Auma	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Youth Engagement</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Fate of the youth will be highly prioritized.</li> </ul>
11	Oliver Odhiambo	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Had a lot of interest in Waste management</li> <li>2 Inquired if the projects could be merged.</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ There would be possibility of merging projects on condition that the Projects sum adds up to Kshs. 50 Million.</li> </ul>

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### **MIN 05/15/8/2019: PROPOSALS ON PROJECTS IDENTIFICATION**

Stakeholders were given time to choose freely projects of their own from the list that had been presented.

Below is the summary of the proposed projects in order of priority

s/no	Name	Project	Explanation
1	Bernad Ariwo	2-storm drainage 3-Streetlights Security floodlights at Boro, Ndere, Karemo and Rock.	Can go together and bring change in Siaya
2	Charles Muhula	1- Waste Management 3 - connectivity	Siaya already have streetlights add more at Karemo and Boro
3	KOchomo	3-Connectivity	Roads and streetlights.
4	Washington Juma	3-Connectivity	Transport and information.
5	George Oduol	2-Drainage 3-connectivity 4-Greentown	Poor drainage Pathways parking Parking 3 more places
6	Juma Owira	1-Waste Management 2-Storm Drainage 3-Connectivity 4-Urban Socio-Economic Infrastructure	N/A
7	Nichodemaus Jackoyoo	5-Fire Station	N/A
8	Benta Atieno Onyango	1-Waste Management	N/A
9	Alfred Otieno	3-Connectivity	Use the funds to change the face of Siaya Town Concentrate within Siaya town
10	Ward Manager	2-Storm drainage 3-Connectivity 4-Urban Socio-Economic infrastructure	Waste management bill had been passed at the assembly.
11	Charles Ouma Odhiambo	1-Waste management 3-Socio Economic infrastructure 4-Green town	N/A

		-Land marks	
12	Geofrey	1-Waste management 2-Storm drainage 3-connectivity	Security lights at Boro
13	Naftally Onyango {Winners Youth Group}	2-Storm drainage 3-Conectivity	N/A
14	Odipo	Modern market Storey building	N/A
15	Raphael Otieno Juma	1-Waste management 3-Connectivity 5-Fire and Disaster management	N/A
16	Vitalis Oyugi Owira	1-Waste management 3-Connectivity	N/A

### Proposals and votes:

	Project proposal:	Votes:
1.	Waste management	37
2.	Storm Drainage	13
<b>3.</b>	<b>Connectivity</b>	<b>40</b>
4.	Urban Socio-Economic Infrastructure	05
5.	Fire and disaster management	05

### **MIN 06/15/8/2019: RESOLUTIONS**

It was resolved by the meeting on the basis of the deliberations that;

1. Connectivity (roads non-motorized transport facilities and street and security lights to be the project for implementation)
2. Waste management to go hand in hand with connectivity.

### **MIN 07/15/8/2019: CLOSING REMARKS**

The Chief Officer Lands invited the Vice Chairperson of the Board to pass a vote of thanks to the public and deliver closing remarks. The Vice Chairperson urged the meeting to maintain unity of purpose as the County was theirs in common and this would be key in making the project a success. Additionally, she thanked H.E the Governor for his endless support in steering the county to greater heights, the County Assembly for vetting and approving the Municipal Board members, the County

Department of Lands for their commitment as well as the public for their time and participation during the exercise.

There being no other business the meeting ended at 13:05 pm with a word of prayer from Mathlida Juma Owira.

**Chairperson Siaya Municipal Board----- Date-----**

**Secretary Siaya Municipal Board----- Date-----**

**Stakeholders Representative ----- Date-----**