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LANDS, HOUSING, PHYSICAL
PLANNING AND URBAN
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ON
HOMABAY COUNTY URBAN
INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT
STRATEGY 2023-2026(CUIDS).**

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HOMA BAY COUNTY ASSEMBLY
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Dear Sir,

RE: ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE LANDS, HOUSING, PHYSICAL PLANNING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ON HOMA BAY COUNTY URBAN INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY.(CUIDS) 2023-2026)

Reference is made to the above captioned matter.

The report of the Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development Committee on Homa Bay County Urban Institutional Development Strategy dated **8th August, 2023** was tabled in the House on Wednesday **9th June, 2023 at 2.30 p. m.** Subsequently, a motion for the approval of the report was moved on by **Hon. Samuel Lieta** and seconded by **Hon. Apopo Lentana**. The motion was exhaustively debated upon and approved on the same day without Amendments.

This is therefore to notify your office of the County Assembly recommendations of the report for implementation pursuant to the provision of **Article 183** of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 as read together with **Section 36** of the County Government Act, 2012.

Please find a copy of the report attached for your further action

Thank you.

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COUNTY ASSEMBLY CLERK.

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THIRD ASSEMBLY - (SECOND SESSION)

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REPORT

OF THE
COMMITTEE ON LANDS, HOUSING, PHYSICAL PLANNING
AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ON THE HOMA BAY
COUNTY URBAN INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT
STRATEGY (CUIDS) 2023-2026

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ABBREVIATIONS

CUIDS	-County Urban Institutional Development Strategy
UDG	-Urban Development Grant
UIG	-Urban Institutional Grant

1.0 PREFACE

1.1 COMMITTEE MANDATE

The Sectoral Committee on Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development is mandated to: -

- a) To investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned departments;
- b) To study the programmes and policy objectives of the departments and the Effectiveness of their implementation;
- c) To study and review all legislation referred to it;
- d) To study, assess and analyse the relative success of the departments measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;
- e) To investigate and inquire into all matters relating to the assigned departments as may be deemed necessary, and as may be referred to it by the County Assembly;
- f) To vet and report on all appointments where the Constitution or any law requires the County Assembly to approve, except those under Standing Order 185 (Committee on appointments);
- g) **To make reports and recommendations to the Assembly as often as possible, including recommendations of proposed legislation.**

Specific mandate

The committee has a specific mandate to analyze and report back to the House on the Homa bay County Urban Institutional Development Strategy (CUIDS) 2023-2026.

1. 2 MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

Committee on Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development as currently constituted comprises of the following members;

NO	NAME	WARD	RANK
1	Hon. Samuel Lieta	West Karachuonyo	Chairperson
2	Hon. Apopo Lantana	Kanyadoto	V/Chairperson
3	Hon. Peter Nyakomitta	Kabondo West	Member
4	Hon. Daniel Ogada	MCA	Member
5	Hon. Jeff Ongoro	Kanyaluo	Member
6	Hon. Sylvance Wanjala	Kanyikela	Member
7	Hon. Pamela Akinyi	MCA	Member
8	Hon. Dorine Oyugi	East Kamagak	Member
9	Hon. Evalyne Otieno	MCA	Member
10	Hon. Joan Ogada	Kojwach	Member
11	Hon. Patrick Ware	West Gem	Member
12	Hon. Reuben Molo	Gembe	Member
13	Hon. Tonny Okoth	Arujo	Member
14	Hon. Titus Asiago	Ruma Kaksingri	Member
15	Hon. Sophie Salim	Lambwe	Member

COMMITTEE SECRETARIAT

The committee is facilitated by the following members of the secretariat:

1. Ms. Winnie Salome - Committee Clerk
2. Ms. Agnes Odongo - Committee Clerk
3. Ms. Jael Boyani - Committee Clerk
4. Mr. John Oyoko - Sergeant- At -Arm

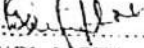
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May I take this opportunity to thank all Members of the Committee on Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development for their input and valuable contributions during the deliberations. The Committee also takes this opportunity to thank the Offices of the Speaker and the Clerk to the County Assembly of Homa Bay for the logistical support accorded to it during the exercise. We are also appreciative of the *secretariat* attached to this committee for their effectiveness and efficiency throughout the report writing process.

On behalf of the Committee on Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development, it is my pleasure and duty to present to the County Assembly, the Committee's Report on the Homa Bay County Urban Institutional Development Strategy (CUIDS).

Thank you.

Signed 

HON. SAMUEL LIETA
CHAIRPERSON, COMMITTEE ON LANDS, HOUSING, PHYSICAL
PLANNING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Date

1.4 ADOPTION OF THE COMMITTEE REPORT

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We, the members of the committee on Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development have adopted this report and affix our signatures to affirm our approval and confirm its accuracy and authenticity;

Date _____

NO.	NAME	DESIGNATION	SIGNATURE
1	Conrad Oduro Luta	Chairman	Conrad Oduro Luta
2	Aggrey Luta	Member	Aggrey Luta
3	Patrick Oduro	Member	Patrick Oduro
4	MOLP Oduro	Member	MOLP Oduro
5	Mwalimu Oduro	Member	Mwalimu Oduro
6	Fenny Oduro	Member	Fenny Oduro
7	EVALINE ODURO	Member	EVALINE ODURO
8	DEBORAH ODURO	MEMBER	DEBORAH ODURO
9	GENESIS ODURO	MEMBER	GENESIS ODURO
10	PEREGRINE ODURO	MEMBER	PEREGRINE ODURO
11	ALVIN ODURO	MEMBER	ALVIN ODURO
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2.0 KEY HIGHLIGHTS IN THE HOMA BAY COUNTY URBAN INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

2.1 BACKGROUND

Section 108 of the County Government Acts, 2012 provides that each County Integrated plan shall at least identify; as informed by the strategies and program in the plan any development initiatives in the county including institutional development.

The Homa Bay County Institutional Development Strategy (CUIDS) outlines the overall approach to urban areas management as well as the process by which the County Government integrates urban development into County- wide planning.

The CUIDS goes ahead to specify how the county intends to address urban management issues and includes an annual action plan and budget outlining the proposed use of Urban Institutional Grants(UIG).

Through the provision of UIGs the County government aims to promote urban development within the county by establishing and strengthening urban institutions (for example Municipal boards and Municipal administrations) and by integrating urban development challenges and opportunities into county- wide development strategies and plans.

2.2 Urbanization and County Socio-economic development

Interdependence and connections between rural and urban areas in the county exist in the following key ways:

Economic Interactions: Rural areas often serve as primary producers of agricultural commodities, raw materials, and natural resources, which are then processed, manufactured, or consumed in urban areas. Urban areas, in turn, provide markets, infrastructure, services, and employment opportunities for rural populations. These economic interactions involve the flow of goods, services, capital, and labor between rural and urban areas.

Market Connections: Rural areas rely on urban markets to sell their agricultural produce and other goods. Urban areas provide a concentrated consumer base with greater purchasing power, demand for specialized products, and diverse consumer preferences. Rural producers, on the other hand, supply food, raw materials, and other goods to urban markets, often through intermediary traders or cooperatives.

Supply Chains and Infrastructure: Transportation systems, such as roads, railways, and logistics hubs, facilitate the movement of goods and services between rural and urban areas.

Social and Cultural Exchanges: People from rural areas travel to urban areas for

contribute to the transfer of knowledge, skills, and cultural practices between rural and urban populations.

2.3 Urban Development challenges

1. Homa bay County has about 201Km of the road surface in the under bitumen and the rest of the classified road network of about 3041Km is not bitumized with 25 per cent under gravel and earth 75 per cent under earth. The County has five airstrips, namely: Kabunde, Mfangano, Rusinga, Otange and Otaro airstrip but only Kabunde airstrip has been upgraded to airport standards and is operational with three flights per week. In terms of water transport, the county still lags behind with 151 underdeveloped landing beaches. A ferry service is in operation connecting Mbita Point- Mfangano Island-LwandaKotieno. The harbors established by Kenya Railways in Homa Bay, Kendu-Bay and Kajimu need basic rehabilitation to become operational except for the one in Mbita and Mfangano Island which are in a state of disrepair. The county has neither a railway system nor a pipeline which can boost economic growth.
2. Waste management remains a major concern in Homa Bay County with the emerging need for sustainable development in the Lake Victoria basin. Most of the solid waste in the county remain uncollected leading to spread of infectious diseases, blocked sewers, litter in the streets and pollution of Lake Victoria through crude dumping of waste. Waste management in the five municipalities of Homa Bay, Mbita, Oyugis, Ndhiwa and Kendu Bay has been contracted out with great effect on service delivery. Moreover, going forward, the County Government is focused on improving solid waste management through an integrated approach that includes recycling and composting programmes.
3. The only known water supply schemes that are operational with frequent breakdowns are those in major urban centres such as Homa Bay, Mbita, Kendu Bay and Oyugis .
Rehabilitation of both the old and new water intakes is on-going, and new pumps are being installed, resulting in a doubling of urban water production. Immediate works to reduce leaks and rehabilitate the treatment works at the reservoirs will help to reduce unaccounted-forwater from 65% to the present level of 41%.
4. The vast majority of housing units in the county are earth-floored (74.7 per cent), mud-wood walled (65.6 per cent) and iron-roofed (82.3 per cent). Through collaboration with the National Government under the National Housing Cooperation, Homa Bay County signed an MoU that will see the development of over 400 affordable housing units in Homa bay town.
5. Inadequate technical capacity in important departments such as County Planning Unit and other complimentary technical departments has impaired

million per municipality that will fund the activities and functions of the urban institutions. Funding for the delineation of Rodi and Sindo rural centers has also been set aside. The county will have plans such as (IDEPS, ADP, FSP, CBROP, CIDP and Spatial plans) to give a basis for investment.

The municipality staff is recruited by the county public service board and their salaries also paid from the county budget. The board is held accountable by the County government (office of the Governor). Revenue collected by the Municipality is channeled to the County government

2.6.2 Legal and regulatory reforms at the county level

Section 9 (3b) of Urban and areas cities act 2011 amended in 2019 requires the towns to be conferred municipality status to have development plans. Homa bay and Oyugis municipalities have 'Integrated Urban Development Plans' and 'Local and Physical land use development plans'. Development plans for Mbita (ref no. HMB/380/01/1 of 2001), Ndhiwa (1973) and Kendu bay (1973) are due for review.

The formulation of the Solid waste management policy for Homa Bay County and plans for Oyugis and Homa bay municipalities is currently under way. County Climate Change policy is already in place and is being implemented in Homa bay Municipality.

Homa bay County Valuation and Rating act, 2020 is in use especially in Homa bay Municipality in mobilization of land rates. Plans to roll out the same in Oyugis Municipality are in place during the next financial year.

Section 9(3) (f) of the urban areas and cities act 2011 amended in 2019 requires towns applying for conferment of municipalities to have institutionalized active participation of residents in the management of their affairs. In this regard, the Municipalities have operationalized sub location and ward public participation barazas which are led by area chiefs and ward administrators.

2.7 Capacity building actions

To support changes in urban management, several capacity-building actions are required. Some key capacity-building actions that can be undertaken include:

Training and Workshops: Conduct training programs and workshops to equip urban managers and staff with the necessary skills and knowledge to handle new challenges and adopt innovative approaches.

Knowledge Sharing and Networking: Facilitate platforms for municipal managers to share experiences, best practices, and lessons learned. This can be done through conferences, seminars, webinars, and online communities.

Institutional Strengthening: Focus on enhancing the capacity of urban management institutions, such as local government agencies, urban planning departments, and municipal bodies. This includes improving governance structures, policy formulation, strategic planning, and financial management systems.

Data Collection and Analysis: Enhance the ability of municipalities to collect, analyze, and interpret data relevant to urban management. This includes training in data management, geospatial analysis, urban analytics, and the use of technology for data-driven decision making.

Stakeholder Engagement: This involves training urban managers on techniques for

engaging citizens, community groups, businesses, and other stakeholders in decision-making processes.

Sustainable Development Practices: Promote capacity building on sustainable development principles and practices in urban management. This includes training on topics such as green infrastructure, energy efficiency, waste management, climate change mitigation, and resilience planning.

Policy and Legal Frameworks: Strengthen capacity in understanding and implementing urban policies and legal frameworks. This includes training on urban legislation, land use planning regulations, zoning policies, and urban governance structures.

2.8 Public Participation

The Homa Bay and Oyugis municipalities Boards held public participation in both the municipalities. The Homa Bay Municipality Citizen Fora was held in the Municipality offices on 29th June, 2023. The Oyugis Municipality citizen Fora was held at the Sub- County Offices on 30th June, 2023.

Pursuant to Articles 10(2)(a), 174(c), 196(1)(b), of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 and Section 87 of the County Governments Act, 2012, the Homa Bay County Assembly Lands, Physical Planning, Housing and Urban Development Committee, through the office of the clerk, invited the public, private sector organizations, interested parties and all stakeholders to submit any representation on the Homa Bay County Urban Institutional Development Strategy either orally or by written memorandum.

The advert appeared in the newspaper on Wednesday 2nd August, 2023 stating that, Written memorandum were to be forwarded and received by the office of the clerk on or before Wednesday 9th August, 2023 and public hearings were to be held in the County Assembly on Wednesday 9th August, 2023.

3.0 COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS AND FINDINGS

The committee after thorough scrutiny of the Homa Bay County Urban Institutional Development Strategy made the following observations;

1. **THAT**, the document does not clearly indicate how the CIDP addresses Urban Development in terms of better service delivery to the residents.
2. **THAT**, the document does not address legal and regulatory reforms required for urban management including citizen engagement within the urban institutions an example being public complaints and compliments committee within the municipalities,
3. **THAT**, the CUIDS should provide for regular reviews as the status of the urban areas is expected to change in terms of population and other parameters.
4. **THAT**, Attachment 3 is a county Urban area institutional Development annual action plan and budget FY 2018-2019 instead of the current year FY 2023-2024.
5. **THAT**, the population data indicated within the report are not in accordance to the latest National census.
6. **THAT**, most of the urban centers have plans that are currently in use to control development but have not been updated to reflect the current situation on the ground.

4.0 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

The committee made the following recommendations;

1. **THAT**, the document should clearly indicate how the CIDP addresses Urban Development in terms of better service delivery to the residents.
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6. **THAT**, most of the urban centers have plans that are currently in use to control development that should be updated to reflect the current situation on the ground.

6.0 PRAYER

The Committee on Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development prays that this Honorable House adopts the Report on the Homa Bay County Urban Institutional Development Strategy (CUIDS) 2023-2026.



HOMA BAY COUNTY ASSEMBLY THIRD ASSEMBLY – (SECOND SESSION)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Pursuant to Articles 10(2)(a), 174(c), 196(1)(b), of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 and Section 87 of the County Governments Act, 2012, the Homa Bay County Assembly committees on

- a) Lands, Physical Planning, Housing and Urban Development Committee,
- b) Water, Irrigation, Sanitation, Environment, Energy, Forestry and Climate Change Committee and
- c) Youths, Sports, Talent Development, Gender Inclusivity, Cultural Heritage and Social Services Committee

Hereby invites the members of the public, private sector organizations, interested parties and all stakeholders to submit any representations they may have on:

1. Municipal Integrated Development Plan (IDePs) for Homa Bay and Oyugis Municipalities.
2. Municipal Annual Investment Plans for Homa Bay and Oyugis municipalities
3. Municipal Land Use Plans for Homa Bay and Oyugis Municipalities
4. Sustainable Solid waste Management Plans for Homa Bay and Oyugis Municipalities.
5. County Urban Institutional Development Strategy (CUIDS)
6. Homa Bay County Solid Waste Management Policy 2023
7. Homa Bay County Gender Inclusion and Participation Framework

The representations may be made orally, or by written memorandum in the following manner:

Written memorandum may be forwarded to the Clerk, Homa Bay County Assembly, P. O. Box 20-40300, Homa Bay, or hand delivered to the office of the Clerk, Homa Bay County Assembly Building in Homa Bay town or emailed to info@homabayassembly.go.ke to be received on or before Wednesday 9th August, 2023

Public hearings will be held in the County Assembly on Wednesday 9th August, 2023 from 9.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.

Members of the public can download copies of the Documents from the County Assembly of Homa Bay Website: <https://www.homabayassembly.go.ke>.

Apuko F.A.
County Assembly Clerk