



COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KAJIADO  
OFFICE OF THE MANAGER  
MUNICIPALITY OF KAJIADO  
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**MINUTES OF KAJIADO MUNICIPALITY CITIZENS FORA HELD ON 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2025  
AT THE ACK CONFERENCE HALL**

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As provided for in the UACA Article 22(2), Kajiado Municipality held a Citizen Fora on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025 inviting petitions and representations from citizens within the urban area/city (Kajiado Municipality).

**Agenda:**

1. Municipality – Landlords Solid Waste Management Strategy

**Preliminary:**

The meeting begun by self-introductions of the Municipal Staff, NEMA Staff and the Citizens present in the meeting.

The Manager then did a brief Power Point presentation of the Current status of Solid Waste Management within the Municipality and a trajectory of the future desired status. He also gave a brief memoir on matters Solid Waste Management mentioning that according to the United Nations Environmental Program (UNEP), humanity generates between 2.1 billion and 2.3 billion tons of municipal solid waste a year.

Despite Kenya's ban on the use of plastic bags, like most of the world it faces significant environmental pollution stemming from improper solid waste management. Urban areas like Kajiado, struggle with illegal dumping of waste and overflow of the designated dumpsites.

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It was noted that over the past few years, the Kajiado dumpsite has been a point of contention between the Kajiado Municipality and the residents, with complaints ranging from careless dumping of solid waste and the variety of health risks it poses to the surrounding community.

In a bid to improve solid waste management within its jurisdiction and curb environmental pollution, the Manager informed the meeting that the Municipality of Kajiado organized a citizen forum with the neighborhood Associations, landlords and the zonal representatives to sensitize

them on the effective methods of solid waste management and their key roles in bringing the community aboard.

Speaking at the forum, Municipal Manager echoed the Municipality's effort in solid waste management through laws established vide the Kajiado Municipality Solid Waste Management Policy that lays down ways to improve waste collection, transportation, disposal of waste and creation of awareness within the community.

"This policy aims to improve solid waste management in a holistic manner, conversing every aspect of environmental conservation. We aim to begin at home where the waste generation starts right down to the material recovery facility in an intricate, well-designed way that involves community engagement and participation", said the Municipal Manager.

The Manager revealed that the Kajiado Dumpsite is currently undergoing rehabilitation to elevate it into a material recovery facility through introduction of strategic waste placement in cells that are accessible through internal feeder roads to ease and manage incoming waste. The placement of a razor wire fence around the facility to control and limit access to the facility as well as capture wind-blown litter. A green buffer around the facility to absorb the fumes coming from the facility is part to the proposed changes at the facility.

"The Municipal Solid Waste Management Policy provides for a 12 persons committee and sub-Committee on Solid Waste Management with representation from the community including the chiefs, zonal representatives and residents to ensure inclusivity" the Manager informed the citizens.

The Manager also revoked the use of the word dumpsite to refer to the material recovery facility. "Terms build mentality and in this case the use of the word dumpsite refers to a final place for the solid waste we generate every day. Contrary, a material recovery facility allows for action towards environmental conservation measures such as recycling, reusing and decomposition of organic waste", affirms Saruni.

The Director, National Environmental Management Association (NEMA) Kajiado County, advocated for the use of color-coded waste bins as gazetted to ensure proper sorting of solid waste from the generation level at the household level all the way to the Material Recovery Facility. The green bins are for organic compostable waste, blue bins are for recyclable waste and the black bins are for general waste. He urged the landlords to provide for such solid waste sorting to encourage tenants to participate in appropriate disposal.

He said that each of us present here today, is a representation of somebody out there. Therefore, it is our responsibility to pass information to others on these waste segregation strategies. He urged each of the present citizens to be the eyes and ears on matters affecting our environment especially in our zonal placements.

Kajiado Central, Public Health Officer, urged the zonal representatives, landlords and neighborhood Associations to proactively encourage fencing of undeveloped residential plots, citing such plots as the major hot spots for careless disposal of solid waste.

She showed the need to fully activate zonal Waste Management leadership to ensure plot owners fence their land through the cascading of sensitization to the zones by the representations we have at the forum. That shows that only collaborative efforts within ourselves will guarantee us a win in this waste management struggle.

She echoed that material recovery facilities should only accommodate non-hazardous waste material to avoid leachate leaking to water sources and eventually foods, causing health complications. She urged the community to report any illegal dumping of hazardous waste material at the facility.

Japheth Kiilu, a Saina resident appealed to the Municipality to facilitate the sensitization of garbage collectors on the appropriate required methods to avoid conflict and confusion on the same. He also asked for a set of recommended ways to dispose of off used diapers and sanitary towels which had proved to be a challenge due lack of licensed, accessible incinerators within reach. He pleaded for harmonizing tactics with the community instead of imposing hefty penalties.

#### **Closing Remarks:**

The Municipal Manager thanked the members for attending the meeting. There being no other business, the meeting was closed with a word of prayer at 2.00pm.

#### **Pictorial gallery**



*Kajiado Central Public Health Officer addressing the Citizens*





*The Municipal Manager addressing Kajiado Municipality Residents*



*Members present at the Citizen Fora*

Minutes signed by:

Sign.......... Date..........  
**James Saruni**  
**Municipal Manager**



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**TO:** .....

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**RE: INVITATION TO A CITIZEN FORA IN KAJIADO MUNICIPALITY**

As provided for in UACA Article 22(2) A board shall invite petitions and representations from the Citizen Fora with regard to the administration and management of the affairs within an urban area or city under its jurisdiction.

It is for this reason that we notify and invite you to a Citizen Fora for Kajiado Municipality to be held on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2025** at **ACK Tenebo Hall** from **10.00am**

The agenda for the meeting will be:

1. Municipality-Land Lords Solid Waste Management Strategy
2. AOB

Kind regards,

  
 James Saruni  
**MANAGER**

CC:

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