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**REPORT ON WOTE MUNICIPALITY CITIZEN FORUM HELD AT WOTE GREEN PARK ON 24TH
NOVEMBER 2023**

INTRODUCTION

The Wote Municipality Charter, 2018 chapter 3 sub-section 17 on CITIZEN FORA, mandates the Board of Municipality to ensure participation of the residents in the management and administration of the Municipality. The recommendation from the forum shall be considered for implementation. Conventions of the Citizen Forum will be in accordance with the County Government laws of public participation.

The Municipality committed to undertake quarterly Citizen Fora during the current performance appraisal period.

On 13th November 2023, the Municipal Manager issued a public notice of an intention to undertake a Citizen Forum (public participation) to be held on 24th November 2023 at Wote Green park starting at 9:30 am.

An approximate number of 100 citizens attended the forum. They included the following from the different sectoral groups;

- i. Two board members
- ii. Officers /staff drawn mainly from the Wote Municipality management team, Chief Officer- Roads, Infrastructure and relevant Sub-County Administrators in the Municipality.
- iii. Representation of a maximum three (3) members each drawn from the County wards of; Kathonzweni, Kako /Waia, Mavindini, Ukia, Nzakika, Muvau/ Kikumini and Wote/Nziu
- iv. The area MCA and staff, representatives from the County Senator and women MP.
- v. Sectoral representation of Wote Plot owners, Boda riders, Marikiti markets, Green Grocers markets, Jua Kali, Taxis, Bar owners, Bus park, Miraa (Khat) operatives, Hard labor and Water vendors, Tractors, Hawkers, PWD, Business community and Hotels. (Attached please find copies of the schedule of attendance register).
- vi. Members of the 4th estate /communication/press.

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AGENDA.

AGENDA	ACTIVITY
Discussion on existing Municipal Development Plans (Spatial and Intergrated development t plan -IDeP)	IDeP-Presentation and responses on the overall framework for development which coordinates all spheres of development sectors in a coherent manner. Spatial plan- Presentation and responses on the framework aimed at guiding the general trend and direction of developments.
Status of development within Municipality	Presentation and responses on what the Municipality has achieved in terms of developments since its inception year 2018.
Public views on future development	Public presentations and recommendations on future developments for the Municipality.
Any Other Business (A.O.B)	

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1. PRESENTATION ON DEVELOPMENT STATUS IN THE MUNICIPALITY

Overview of Wote municipal project implementation status was highlighted as follows:

Project	Project scope	status
Improvement of Wote malikiti vegetables market	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renovation of the old market shade. • Cabro paving of parking lots • Cabro paving of Marikiti access roads • Erection of Floodlight • Construction of powerhouse • Solar lighting • Installation of water tanks • Construction of waste collection chambers • Construction of Market office • Construction of drainage channels • Greening aspect. 	Complete and in use
Construction of Wote green public park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of eateries, shops and stalls • Construction of amphitheater • Construction of children playing ground • Construction of ICT hub • Soft and hard landscaping • Ablution blocks • Construction of graffiti wall 	Complete and in use
Mukuyuni Modern Market	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of 56 units (ground floor) and 72 units in the first floor • Construction of a drive through with an exit and entrance • Offloading bay • Construction of garbage collection points • Construction of cold room • Construction of ablution block • Construction of a septic tank • Rain water harvesting • Provision for a cold room 	Complete and in use
Construction of proposed Wote town roads upgrade to bituminous and concrete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrading of road to bitumen standard • Cabro paving of cooperative bank, Malikiti access roads • Erection of streetlights • Construction of drainage channels 	Complete and in use

standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Erection of floodlight at Malawi 	
Installation of 27 floodlights.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Installation of panels Construction of powerhouse hosting batteries, controllers and inverter. Erection of the mast 	Complete and in use

2. PRESENTATION ON THE EXISTING DEVELOPMENT PLANS (SPATIAL AND INTEGRATED)

The Municipality IDeP and Spatial plan were presented by the Municipal Surveyor and Planner respectively.

The Municipal Integrated Development Plan

The plan coordinates all the spheres of development sectors in coherent manner. It is an overall framework for development with an aim of improving the quality of life within the municipality. The plan checks at

- Urban economics
- Urban housing
- Urban planning

Some of the development strategies proposed in the plan are:

- Urban commerce strategy
This includes construction of industries, talent Centre, tannery, fruit collection centers and cooling facilities.
- Urban connectivity infrastructure strategy
This includes upgrading of roads to bituminous standard, grading and gravelling, walkways, and formulation of integrated transport system and storm water management plan.
- Water provision strategy
This includes activities such as piped water connection, maintenance of existing boreholes and desiltation of boreholes.
- Housing improvement strategy
Includes; Construction of low cost housing
- Community facilities- social halls, recreational facility and rehabilitation centers.
- Urban development strategy
Include; development of market facilities, street lighting and flood lights
- Urban environment strategies
Include; rehabilitation of fragile ecosystem, reforestation, demarcation of riparian reserves, construction of solid waste collection centers and sewerage system.

Wote Municipality Spatial Plan 2021-2030

The plan is a framework aimed at guiding general trend and direction of developments within Municipality. The plan is medium term covering 10 years with effect from 2021 to 2030 with a five-year review. It integrates all other market centers within Municipality. Local physical and Land Use Development Plans for the markets were also presented. Notable proposals within the MSP include sewer treatment site, DTF, bus terminus near Sarova, fruit collection centres,

pass (Itangini-Nthangu-Kaumoni-Uviluni- Bosnia- Kyamuso- to Kwakathoka connecting Wote -Makindu road).

The Municipal Spatial plan map was as well presented.

3. PUBLIC VIEWS ON FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The following projects were proposed at different markets in wards within the municipality for consideration.

WARD	PROPOSED PROJECT/PROGRAMME
NZAKIKA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Killili town planning • Construction of Kyamela to kalamba bridge • Kalamba town planning • Construction of a toilet facility at Kalamba • Upgrading of muoni to Kalembwani road
UKIA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning of markets within the ward • Construction of drainage channels at markets within the ward • Construction of wholesale market at Kilala • Construction of bridge at Kaiti-Kitikyumu • Digging of borehole at mukuyuni • Erection of Security lights in markets within the ward
MAVINDINI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrading of Muusini, Mavindini Thwake road • Planning of Mavindini market
KAKO/WAIA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tarmacking of Kake road • Construction of Wote-kavingo Kaiti bridge • Construction of stadium at Wambiti • Construction of market at Kavingo
MUVAU KIKUMINI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kwakathoka town planning • Road upgrading of all roads connecting to kwakathoka
KATHONZWENI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of Mbuvo-kwakavisi bridge • Construction of Kwakavisi market shade • Digging of Borehole at Kwakavisi • Construction of solid waste disposal site at Kathonzweni • Construction of a Social hall at Kathonzweni • Construction of a Livestock yard at Kathonzweni • Construction of a Juakali centre at Mbuvo • Enlargement of kwa Mbila Dam.

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Different sectors at Wote proposed the following projects:

SECTOR	PROPOSED PROJECT/PROGRAM/OPINION
HOTELS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvement of towns drainage system • Construction of additional Green parks at Kamweli and Kiimani
HAWKERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open air space
MIRAA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of Modern stalls
BUSPARK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of modern buspark • Management of bus park for matatu to operate within the bus park
JUAKALI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open space for operation • Equipped juakali industrial center • Extension of existing Juakali center • Floodlights.
MALIKITI VAGETABLE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase of land for wholesale trading. • Purchase of receptacles
HARD LABOUR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facilitate Collaboration with water company to improve on water supply
CLOTHES MARKET	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of modern clothes market.
BODA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construct a Public toilet at kapeo • Install Traffic lights at kapeo • Construction of Boda shades • Construction of matatu Stage at sarova • Control air pollution emanating from the referral hospital chimneys
PLOT OWNERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erection of Streetlights at each estate • Construction of Administrative bloc for the Municipality offices • Erection of Floodlights at Bangladesh, Shimo and Kundakindu • Mentainance and upgrading of Wote town roads • Improve on Water connectivity within estates • Construction of Storm water drainage system within CBD • Implementation of Wote physical and land use plan • Consider drilling bore – hole at town Centre.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM MCAs; MAVINDINI/KAKO/UKIA/WOTE

- Consider extension of the Municipality to include Thwake Dam
- Protection of public utilities
- Member's to lobby for improved Municipality budget at the assembly.

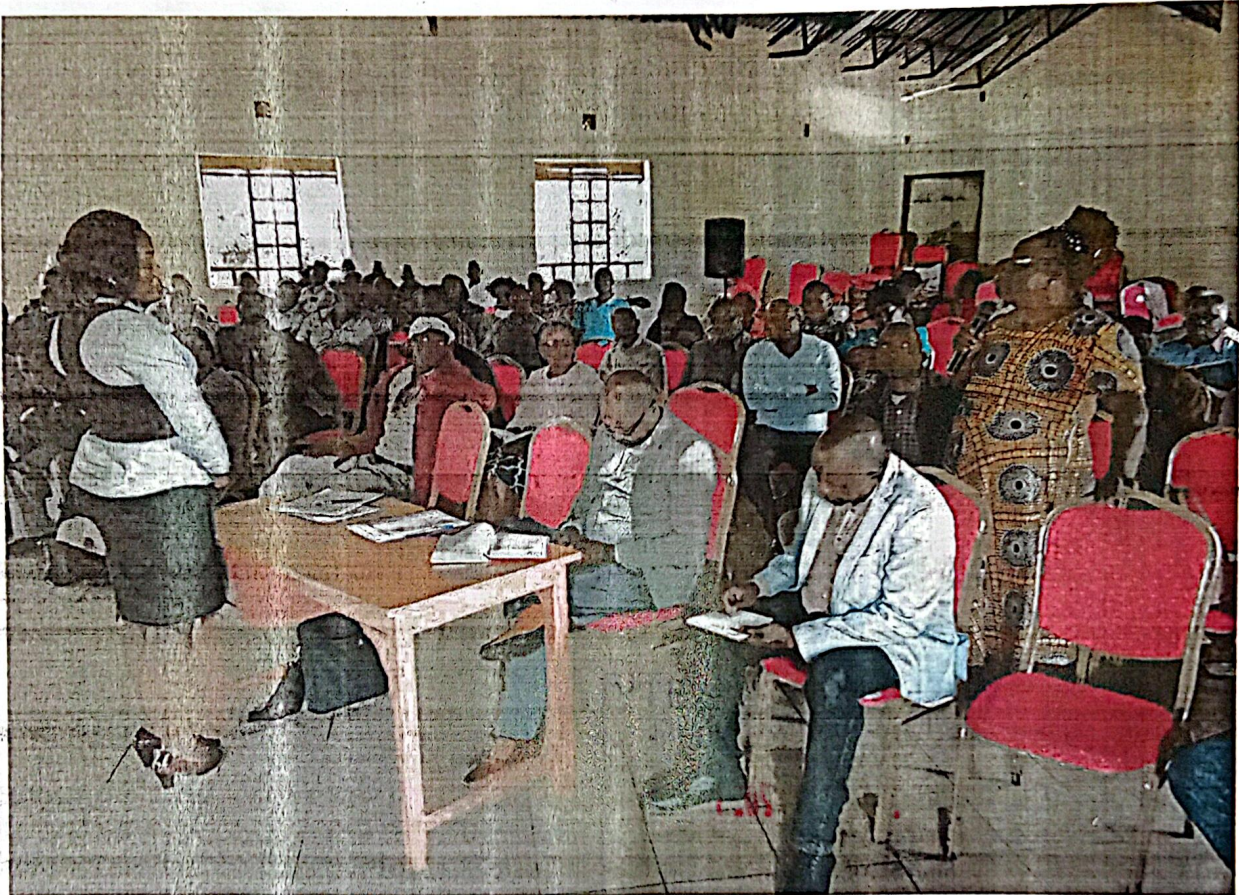
4. CONCLUSION/ WAY FOWARD

Wote Municipality is mandated to perform delegated functions by the Executive Committee which range from promotion and construction of infrastructural developments, including recreational parks, traffic controls and parking facilities. Development of Municipal plans and controls are also part of the functions directed to service delivery.

The citizen forum ensured participation of the residents in decision making in activities and project/programs that can be implemented by the municipality. The recommendations and proposals will be shared to the Board of the municipality for resolutions and implementation by the management depending on the available resources and existing plans.

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