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## CITIZEN FORA REPORT FOR MIGORI MUNICIPALITY

**Date:** 15th June 2024

**Venue:** Ayego Market, Migori Municipality

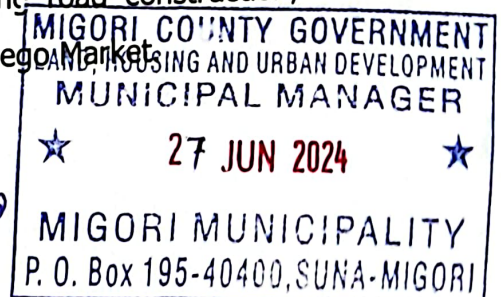
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### Introduction:

This report captures the discussions, resolutions, and actions agreed upon during the Citizen Fora held at Ayego Market in Migori Municipality on 15th June 2024. The fora provided a platform for citizens and relevant stakeholders to engage with the Municipality's leadership on critical urban development matters affecting Ayego Market and its surrounding areas.

The meeting was convened to discuss key issues concerning the planning, infrastructural development, and security within Ayego Market. These forums are part of a broader effort by the Municipality to incorporate public participation in the urban management processes, ensuring that the needs and concerns of residents are directly addressed by their leaders.

The session was chaired by **Paul Odhiambo Kokello**, the Chairman of the Board, and was attended by several key board members and members of the public. The discussions focused on essential urban development issues including road construction, market planning, market stall construction, and security within Ayego Market.



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**Attendees:**

In addition to the members of the public, the following Migori Municipality Board Members were present:

1. **Paul Odhiambo Kokello** – Chairman
2. **Turphoser Adhiambo Adawo** – Vice Chairperson
3. **Willis Aluoch Aluoch** – Member
4. **Spirim Kwamboka Oloo** – Member
5. **Frank Akello Daniel** – Member
6. **James Ogutu Odindo** – Member
7. **Mercy Sao Wankio** – CECM/Member
8. **Robert Omondi Mandela** - Member.
9. **Owino Dismas Onyango** – SEC/Manager

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**Agenda Items and Discussion:****1. Road Construction in Ayego Market**

The discussion around road infrastructure within Ayego Market was one of the key topics of the meeting. Many members of the public expressed concerns about the poor condition of access roads leading into and out of the market, noting that the lack of proper roads severely hampers movement, affects business activities, and exacerbates issues such as flooding during the rainy season.

The Chairman, **Paul Odhiambo Kokello**, provided an update on the ongoing road construction projects. He acknowledged the delays experienced due to weather disruptions and logistical challenges but reassured the public that the Municipality is prioritizing road infrastructure improvements. A comprehensive plan to pave key access



roads and introduce proper drainage systems has been outlined, with a projected completion date set for December 2024.

Further, the citizens raised concerns about the lack of maintenance of existing roads, which has contributed to their deterioration. **Turphoser Adhiambo Adawo**, the Vice Chairperson, emphasized that road maintenance is crucial for sustaining long-term development and assured that a budget has been allocated to ensure routine maintenance once the new roads are completed.

The public also highlighted the need for pedestrian walkways and bicycle lanes to accommodate the growing population and promote sustainable urban mobility. The Board agreed to review the current road plans and consider adding non-motorized transport infrastructure.

## 2. Market Planning and Urban Zoning

The forum underscored the importance of comprehensive market planning in Ayego to ensure its sustainability and adaptability to the growing commercial activities. Ayego Market has witnessed significant growth over recent years, which has presented both opportunities and challenges in terms of space management, congestion, and service delivery.

The **SEC/Manager**, Mr. **Owino Dismas Onyango**, presented a draft blueprint for the market's reorganization, which includes detailed plans for zoning different sections of the market based on trade activities. This would facilitate better traffic flow, reduce congestion, and improve safety standards within the market. Additionally, dedicated areas for loading and offloading goods were proposed, which is expected to streamline commercial operations and reduce traffic bottlenecks.

Public participation played a critical role in this segment of the meeting. Several members of the public voiced their concerns about the lack of designated areas for certain types of traders, such as hawkers, food vendors, and small-scale retailers. The issue of sanitation





within the market was also a major point of discussion, with suggestions to install more sanitary blocks and waste collection points.

The Municipality will continue to engage traders and other stakeholders to refine the market reorganization plan. The final plan will aim to accommodate diverse needs, including space for informal traders, while promoting orderly development.

### 3. Construction of Market Stalls

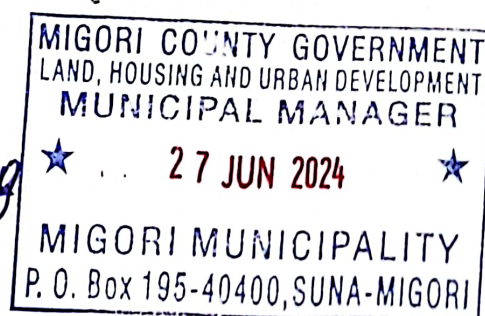
The need for additional market stalls was a central issue raised by traders, many of whom currently operate under makeshift structures. These conditions are particularly problematic during the rainy season, when poor shelter and drainage increase the risk of damage to goods and inconvenience to customers. The traders urged the Municipality to expedite the construction of more permanent and well-designed market stalls.

The **CECM for lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development, Mercy Sao Wankio**, informed the public that the Municipality had secured funding for the construction of new market stalls as part of its broader market modernization plan. The construction of these stalls is set to begin in August 2024, with the first phase focusing on high-traffic areas.

Ms. Wankio emphasized that the stalls would be allocated to traders based on a transparent registration process to ensure fairness. Registered businesses will be prioritized, while informal traders will be assisted in formalizing their operations so they can benefit from the new infrastructure.

The Municipality also plans to incorporate green building practices into the design of these market stalls to promote environmental sustainability. This includes installing solar-powered lighting and rainwater harvesting systems to reduce the market's carbon footprint and improve resilience to climate change.

### 4. Security in Ayego Market



Security concerns in Ayego Market were another major point of discussion, with numerous incidents of theft, vandalism, and other petty crimes reported by traders and customers. The absence of adequate security measures, especially during busy market days, has led to growing anxiety among market users.

In response, the Vice Chairperson, **Turphoser Adhiambó Adawo**, outlined a plan to enhance security within the market. This will include increasing the number of municipal enforcement officers stationed at the market, as well as introducing CCTV surveillance in strategic locations. Additionally, the Municipality is in talks with local law enforcement to establish a police post near the market, which would offer round-the-clock security services. This post is expected to be operational by October 2024.

The Board also highlighted the importance of community policing, urging market traders and customers to work together to deter criminal activities. Public awareness campaigns will be conducted to encourage cooperation with law enforcement agencies and promote a safer market environment.

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### Key Urban Issues Highlighted:

- 1. Infrastructure Development:** The need for better urban road networks, drainage systems, and pedestrian-friendly infrastructure to facilitate mobility and resilience to weather impacts.
- 2. Urban Zoning and Planning:** The importance of structured market planning to address congestion, sanitation, and space allocation challenges.
- 3. Public Health and Sanitation:** Sanitation challenges, including waste management and inadequate sanitary facilities, were identified as critical areas requiring urgent intervention.
- 4. Inclusive Economic Growth:** Addressing the needs of informal traders and ensuring that market expansion is equitable and inclusive.





5. **Safety and Security:** Strengthening security measures in urban markets to promote safety and reduce crime.

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### Conclusion and Way Forward:

The Citizen Fora provided a vital opportunity for public participation in Migori Municipality's urban development processes. The Board reaffirmed its commitment to addressing the concerns raised by citizens, with actionable timelines provided for each agenda item. The public was encouraged to remain engaged in the follow-up processes to ensure the successful implementation of the discussed projects.

The next follow-up meeting has been scheduled for 30th September 2024 to review the progress of these initiatives and provide further updates.



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| Name            | Sex<br>(F/<br>M) | Age<br>18-<br>35= 1<br>Above<br>35 =<br>2 | Interest Group<br>PWDs= 1<br>Business<br>Community=2<br>Private<br>Sector=3<br>Neighborhood<br>=4 | ID<br>Number | Organization | Signature |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| DANIEL ALEX     | M                | 1                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 31616233     | Youth        | Wthm.     |
| FELIX Ochieng   | M                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 35063166     | Boda boda    | W         |
| Wilson Otiemo   | M                | 1                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 37220578     | Youth        | W         |
| CHARLES OBARA   | M                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 2512608      | Bunge        | W         |
| Rose Auma       | F                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 12671338     | Market       | W         |
| Steve Ochieng   | M                | 1                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 2836666      | Boda Boda    | W         |
| Laban Ochieng   | M                | 1                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 39401176     | Youth        | W         |
| Danielle Jew    | F                | 1                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 2642881      | Youth M      | W         |
| Marton Auma     | F                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 26231284     | Market       | W         |
| KENNEDY OBARA   | M                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 3023504      | BUNGE        | W         |
| Moses Ochieng   | M                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 24868206     | MATATU       | W         |
| Robert Owino    | M                | 1                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 4169363      | Youth        | W         |
| denis OKUMU     | M                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 23151170     | Trader       | W         |
| meresa Awiti    | F                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 9871600      | Market       | W         |
| JAIKUS MUKINGE  | M                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 24841611     | B/s comm     | W         |
| John Owino      | M                | 1                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 3206683      | Youth        | W         |
| Isiah Ogalla    | M                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 25721611     | Boda boda    | W         |
| Pascaline Adayo | F                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 1191051      | Market       | W         |
| Collins Ogeudo  | M                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 28119346     | B/s comm     | W         |
| DANIEL Owich    | M                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 11281146     | BUNGE        | W         |





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|      | MAJURA WEDE     | M         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 12601384  | Juakali       | [Signature] |
|      | Monica Akoth    | F         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 29342760  | Market        | [Signature] |
|      | Sam Nyaginda    | M         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 714271    | Bada Bada     | [Signature] |
|      | Emeldah Akinji  | F         | 1                        | 4                                                                            | 32461714  | Youth         | [Signature] |
|      | Linnet Birundu  | F         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 21786304  | BLS Comm      | [Signature] |
|      | Kenipher Akoth  | F         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 22781170  | MARKET        | [Signature] |
|      | MOSES TONGO     | M         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 31701156  | BLS COM       | [Signature] |
|      | EUGENEITH ATENO | F         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 21752558  | Market        | [Signature] |
|      | Joshua Okinyi   | M         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 144452    | Bada Bada     | [Signature] |
| 0    | ANDREA ONTANGO  | M         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 1518251   | BUNGE         | [Signature] |
| 1    | Christine John  | F         | 1                        | 4                                                                            | 3968120   | Youth L.      | [Signature] |
| 2    | Ednah Acheng'   | F         | 1                        | 4                                                                            | 42663175  | Youth Member  | [Signature] |
| 3    | TURTO ATAO      | M         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 25863506  | BLS CM.       | [Signature] |
| 4    | EVANCE AKELLO   | M         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 2711032   | Bada Bada     | [Signature] |
| 5    | Bill dinton     | M         | 1                        | 4                                                                            | 32301576  | Youth         | [Signature] |
| 6    | Walter Marabe   | M         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 24486551  | Juakali       | [Signature] |
| 7    | Jack ABUOR      | M         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 21904131  | BLS Community | [Signature] |
| 8    | ANTON OCHENG    | M         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 27740060  | Juakali       | [Signature] |
| 9    | HENRY OYOMBO    | M         | 2                        | 2                                                                            | 12519472  | MATATU SECTOR | [Signature] |
| 0    | Mary Grace      | F         | 1                        | 4                                                                            | 38121176  | Youth         | [Signature] |
| 21   | Jacobine Auma   | F         | 1                        | 1                                                                            | 37108715  | Youth         | [Signature] |
| 22   | Dalmes Okoth    | M         | 2                        | 4                                                                            | 5724833   |               | [Signature] |





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| Penma adede     | F                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 1516521      | Business comm | PSA       |
| DAUDI ABOLA     | M                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 20407114     | 'Juakali'     |           |
| ROSE Auma       | F                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 2972521      | Business      |           |
| Steven Omollo   | M                | 1                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 38191211     | Youth Leader  |           |
| Josiah Ochoki   | M                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 27874400     | Boda Boda     |           |
| Geremah Owindo  | M                | 2                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 20834735     | Boda Boda     |           |
| Luth Helen      | F                | 1                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 39125434     | Youth Leader  |           |
| Feta Imbari     | F                | 1                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 3914120      | Youth         |           |
| DAUL OWINDO     | M                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 22141128     | B/s comm      |           |
| Hellen Maucha   | F                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 1381029      | Market        |           |
| SOLOMON ONTANGO | M                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 27874401     | 'Juakali'     |           |
| JANET IRINE     | F                | 1                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 38112418     | Youth         |           |
| Loureen Akingi  | F                | 1                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 3325057      | Youth         |           |
| Reagan Oloo     | M                | 1                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 25181716     | Youth leader  |           |
| DORCAS AUMA     | F                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 8584037      | Market        |           |
| Rachael Auma    | F                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 20650766     | B/s comm      |           |
| Annah Anjanga   | F                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 27442270     | Market        |           |
| DANIEL KINGBA   | M                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 30157503     | BUNGE         |           |
| Caren Muga      | F                | 2                                         | 2                                                                                                 | 28111470     | Market        |           |
| Ashley Charles  | F                | 1                                         | 4                                                                                                 | 35228170     | Youth leader  |           |