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KCCA 100 DAYS OF INTERIM LEADERSHIP UPDATE

Fellow Kampala Stakeholders, esteemed partners, and members of the media,


I begin by expressing our gratitude to God the Almighty for the blessings of this year and extend my heartfelt thanks to the media for your unwavering support. Your role in the development of Kampala is deeply valued and appreciated.

It is my privilege and honor today to present an update on the commitments and achievements of Kampala Capital City Authority (KCCA) during the 100-day period thus far. This timeframe has been characterized by substantial progress towards our vision of a **Sustainable, Vibrant, and Attractive City**, underpinned by the commendable efforts of our teams across all directorates and departments.

While we celebrate these achievements, we also acknowledge the challenges encountered and reaffirm our commitment to addressing them effectively as we continue to serve our city.

I am pleased to announce some key milestones along the way
STAFF COHESION AND A RENEWED SPIRIT OF UNITY AT CITY HALL

We have been deliberate to renew staff motivation and unity. We have made major strides in this aspect. Wherever you go, in all KCCA offices at the HQs and Divisions you will be met with energized staff ready to support you.



Our relationship with the Cleaners which was very sour has drastically improved. Those of you who saw images from the end of year cleaners party must have seen a very vibrant army of our frontline foot soldiers committed to keep Kampala Clean.

We have maintained very cordial and constructive relations with the Ministers for Kampala, the RCCs, Office of the Lord Mayor and the offices of the Speaker and Council of the Authority. We believe that even, with the sharp political differences that characterize politics at City hall, we can be able to leverage on the common aspirations of serving Kampala residents which we are successfully doing.

CITY CLEANLINESS AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

We commenced this quarter with very many challenges arising out of the Garbage slide that occurred at Kiteezi that claimed the lives of close to 40 of our people and destroying so many properties. Because of the closure of Kiteezi, we were engulfed in a garbage crisis which we have been grappling with ever since. Some of the interventions we have undertaken include:

Decommissioning of Kiteezi Landfill: The process to decommission the Kiteezi landfill has commenced, with stabilizing the garbage slopes. Jospong Group of Companies have in the spirit of Pan-Africanism offered to decommission the Kiteezi landfill at no initial cost to the Government of Uganda ahead of a formal consideration of a concession agreement on some aspects of waste management. We expect that by the end of the first quarter in 2025, any possible dangers of a repeat of a garbage slide in Kiteezi will be effectively neutralized.



We commenced the process of ascertaining all affected persons of the Kiteezi landfill collapse and property owners for us to take appropriate action for a proper resettlement action plan including expediting processes of valuation of destroyed properties and commencing processes at allocate monies for compensation,

Land Secured for New Landfill: We have successfully acquired a 230-acre piece of land in Nsujju Mpigi district off Mityana Road, approximately 27 kilometers from the city center, to establish a new, more sustainable waste management site to resolve the waste management issues across the city. This acquisition is a pivotal move towards enhancing our environmental footprint and managing waste more effectively. Among others, it will help us to clear the backlog of garbage in the city from our markets and other communities.

Garbage Hotspots: 70% of identified illegal garbage dumping hotspots in communities have been cleared, with intensified efforts to address the remainder through community engagement. Now that we have our own landfill mentioned earlier, we shall clear all the backlogs since there will be no limitation (for both KCCA and our concessionaires) as we have faced during this period post the Kiteezi garbage slide.

Waste Management Sensitization:

We have achieved 100% in our city wide behavioral change and sanitation campaign to educate on waste management practices. The campaign concluded on December 20, with an awarding ceremony for the best division in solid waste management in which Makindye emerged the best followed by Rubaga and Kawempe. The categories of the competition, were Solid waste management (Reducing, Reusing and Recycling), sanitation, model village, and innovation.



Regularization of City Cleaners Contracts

Our priority has been on our frontline workers; the road cleaners, desilters and landscapers on whose effort lies our biggest mandate of keeping Kampala clean and habitable.

We have harmonized the contracts of the city cleaners amongst 7Hills and Community SACCOs all sharing the works in the city equitably. This has now eased budgeting for them and ensured certainty of their payment and tenure.

This year's festive celebrations were about the Cleaners. We had a team building event for all cleaners in the five divisions at Kitante Primary School an occasion that was graced by both technical and political members of KCCA, including the Mayor Nakawa Division –Mr Paul Mugambe and the Lord Mayor – Salongo Erias Lukwago.

Kampala City Roads Rehabilitation Project (KCRRP)

The notable roads under this project include Sentema, Mutesa I, Lugala, Luwafu, Wamala, Sir Apollo Kaggwa, Spring Road, Kyebando Ring road, Old Portbell, New Portbell, Eighth Street, among others. We have made significant strides in ensuring progress on these roads by enhancing supervision on both carpet and drainage works.

We have achieved 30% physical progress against a 40% target. This implies 75% performance. This has largely been due to the rains that pause numerous challenges to the contractors.

On December 18, The Prime Minister, Rt Hon. Robinnah Nabbanja together with the Ministers for Works, Security, ICT, and Kampala toured some of these projects and appreciated the progress.



Roads under the Greater Kampala Metropolitan Area (GKMA) Project

Government has secured funding from the World Bank to Construct and upgrade another 21Km of road in Kampala. Contracts have been submitted to the Solicitor General to be finalized and we expect contractors to sign contracts by mid-January 2025. These roads include; Ben Kiwanuka Road, Rashid Khamis Road, Old Kampala/Matia Mulumba including Ginnery Road.

Others are; Ntake Road/Roadmaster Link, Kigobe Road, Muganzilwaza Road, Mukalazi Road, Katalemwa Road, Kyebando 34X Road, Nsambya and Bemba Road.

The 4.56km Kira Road is to be upgraded to a Dual Carriage way.

Pothole Elimination

We have eliminated potholes on a number of roads in the Central Division as we committed; Kampala road, Rashid Khamis, Kimathi Avenue, Prince Charles Drive, Moyo Close, Turfnell Drive, Bombo road, Yusuf Lule, Binaisa road, Wampewo Avenue Impala Avenue, Ham Mukasa Road, Entebbe road.

Our efforts have extended to other Divisions where we have also eliminated potholes; in Rubaga Division; Ssekabaka Kintu, Hajj Musa Kasule road, Erisa road; Nakawa Division; on Bukoto-Kyebando road, Makindye Division; Kiwafu road and Katwe road.

We are aware of some of the notorious spots in the city; along Nateete, Nasser and Nkurumah roads, Wilson road, Prince Charles drive which are all high traffic areas that we are



committed to fixing during the festive holiday when the traffic has significantly reduced.

Traffic Management

Our goal to operationalize 20 junctions, has had two junctions (Mulago and Kubiri) operationalized and 18 under testing. The smooth flow of traffic at these 2 junctions that have been improved is an indicator of the importance of signalization that will improve mobility in the City.

We await final delivery of equipment that has been disrupted by the war in the Middle East. However, we are on track aiming at full installation of all junctions and operationalization of the Kampala Traffic Control Center by June 2025. This will significantly enhance traffic flow and safety within the city.

TRADE ORDER

Busega Market Opening: The opening of Busega Market marks a significant achievement, offering improved trading spaces for at least 4,000 vendors. The market has parking space, restaurants, access road, cold-rooms. This will not only stimulate local trade but also provide a structured environment for small businesses and traders. We have put in place an allocation committee for the market responsible for organizing, designating, and assigning workspaces, shops, pitches and stalls as stipulated under Section 21 of the Markets Act, 2023. We shall not tolerate and shall bring to book anyone who disrupts the smooth running of markets in the City.

For the festive season, we have made a provision for street vendors to trade only on Namirembe road and Luwum Street (Non-Motorised Transport corridor) starting at 5pm to 6am the following day until January 5, 2025.



Revenue Collection

By 19th December 2024, we had already attained our revenue collection target of UGX 31 billion for the second Quarter of the FY 2024/25. This reflects the success of our revenue mobilization strategies and the cooperative spirit of our residents and partners. This may be a portion of what we spend in the city but significant to our journey to self-sustainability. The KCCA local revenue target this FY is UGX 120 billion and we believe this will be achieved. We anticipate commencing collection of outdoor advertising fees and other revenues from city assets and activities that will further enhance our collections.

I thank all those that have made good their payments in time and appeal for compliance by all contributors to support service delivery in the City.

Gender, Community Services, and Production

Youth Empowerment

A total of 280 youths have successfully graduated from empowerment programs and received start-up packages such as hair dryers and other salon equipment. The youth were skilled in hairdressing; video and photography; and graphic design. This initiative underscores our commitment to youth inclusion in the city's economic transformation.

Children rescue and rehabilitation

KCCA Rescued over 700 children from the streets. Of these, 408 children were integrated into government primary schools for compulsory education. These include Lotome Girls' Primary School, Lokodoidoi Primary School, and Lodoi

Primary School all in Napak District. These young ones stay in school even during holidays for mindset change.

To achieve this, we have worked closely with partners that include; Office of the Prime Minister, Ministry of Gender, Labor and Social Development, UWESO (Masulita Children's home), Dwelling Places Uganda, Hope for Justice, Moroto Women Catholic Desk, and Crane Uganda (consortium of organisations working with children), among others.

During the quarter, over 50 women were brought before Court for using children to beg on the streets. These were remanded and there after sentenced to Community service, which is a non-custodial sentence.

From September to date efforts have been made to sensitize the public on the provisions of the Kampala Capital City (Child Protection) Ordinance in all City markets and in public spaces as well as hot spots as a preventative measure to reduce on the number of children in street situations.

Transparent Procurement and Disposal.

We successfully held a KCCA suppliers' conference on 6th December 2024 under the theme ***'enhancing social inclusion in public procurement for a sustainable City'***.

At this conference we showcased opportunities in KCCA and demystified any perceived barriers. We thank all our clients, current and potential for joining us physically and online.

We finalizing a disposal of some of our used items and at an appropriate time shall invite the public to transparently participate.



Renovation of City Mortuary

The KCCA City Mortuary located at Mulago is scheduled to undergo major renovations and upgrade of the cold rooms. This work is to be undertaken by the UPDF engineering Brigade for a period of six to eight months.

Therefore, the KCCA City mortuary will close on 6th January 2025 and temporarily stop hosting our departed to pave way for the renovations.

During this period of closure, the KCCA mortuary team will shift to Mulago Hospital mortuary and ensure continuity of provision of that great service.

Finally, I am proud to officially launch the **KCCA Anti-Corruption Hotline**. This platform will allow residents to directly report unethical practices and strengthen our accountability efforts.

Thank you for your continued support and together, let us make Kampala a model city for the region and beyond.

Merry Christmas and a happy New Year 2025.


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