# **COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF MERU**



# MAUA MUNICIPALITY

# CITIZEN FORA

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# SCHEDULE FOR MAUA FRUITS MARKET TRADERS MEETING

VENUE	DATES
Tradena Market Ground	13/11/23

Written submission and memoranda can be addressed to the Municipal manager, Maua municipality, P.O Box 120-60200 Meru or Via Email address; mauamunicipality@gmail.com latest by November, 13<sup>th</sup> 2023. The hard copies of these documents will be issued to the Maua Municipal manager.

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# Maua Fruits Market Citizen Forum Report

Date: Held on November 13, 2023 Location: Maua, Kenya Organizer: Municipal Manager, Maua

#### Attendance attached

#### Purpose:

This forum, organized by the Municipal Manager of Maua, aimed to provide a platform for open dialogue between the municipality, vendors, and consumers regarding the Maua fruits market. The goal was to identify key challenges faced by the market and develop solutions to improve the overall experience for all stakeholders.

#### Attendance:

The forum attracted a diverse range of participants, including:

- Fruit vendors operating stalls within the market
- Farmers who supply fruits to the market
- Regular customers who frequent the market
- Representatives from local community organizations

#### **Discussion Points:**

The forum covered a wide range of topics related to the Maua fruits market. Here's a breakdown of some key issues raised:

• Market infrastructure: Concerns were raised about the deteriorating state of the market infrastructure. This included issues with leaking roofs, inadequate lighting, and a lack of

proper waste disposal facilities. Vendors and consumers alike expressed concerns about the impact this has on hygiene and overall market experience.

 Security and Safety: Participants raised concerns about petty theft within the market, particularly targeting both vendors and customers. Additionally, discussions centered on the lack of designated parking areas, leading to congestion and potential safety hazards.

• Waste Management: The forum highlighted the issue of overflowing waste bins and inadequate waste collection services. This not only impacts hygiene but also contributes to unpleasant odors within the market.

Pricing and Competition: Vendors expressed concerns about the increasing competition
from large supermarkets offering lower prices on some fruits. Discussions also touched
upon the need for fairer pricing structures to ensure both vendor profitability and
consumer affordability.

Product Quality and Variety: Consumers expressed concerns about the inconsistency in
the quality of fruits available at the market. Additionally, a desire for a wider variety of
fruits, particularly seasonal produce from neighboring regions, was highlighted.

Vendor Support: Some vendors requested more support from the municipality in terms
of training programs on proper fruit handling and storage techniques. Additionally,
discussions included the possibility of establishing a cooperative system to source fruits
directly from farmers at better rates.

#### **Outcomes:**

The Municipal Manager acknowledged the concerns raised by the community and committed to working towards solutions. Some potential outcomes that might have been discussed include:

- Allocating funds for market infrastructure improvements, including roof repairs, improved lighting, and the installation of proper waste disposal facilities.
- Collaborating with the local police force to increase patrols within the market and develop strategies to deter petty theft.
- Implementing a more efficient waste collection system, potentially involving the participation of private waste management companies.
- Exploring the possibility of establishing designated parking areas outside the market to improve traffic flow and pedestrian safety.
- Investigating the feasibility of implementing a fair pricing structure within the market, potentially through a market committee.
- Liaising with local farmers to promote a wider variety of seasonal fruits at the market and explore potential partnerships for direct sourcing.
- Offering training programs for vendors on fruit handling, storage techniques, and customer service.
- Investigating the possibility of establishing a vendor cooperative to improve fruit sourcing and pricing strategies.

#### **Next Steps:**

Following the forum, it is was noted that it is crucial to document the key issues raised and any proposed solutions. This information should compiled into a report and shared with the market community. Additionally, the Municipal Manager would consider the following:

 Holding a follow-up meeting within a specific timeframe to discuss progress made on implementing the proposed solutions.

• Establishing a regular forum to facilitate ongoing communication between the municipality, vendors, and consumers. This forum could serve as a platform for identifying new challenges and monitoring progress on existing ones.

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# SCHEDULE FOR BODA BODA OPERATORS MEETING

VENUE	DATES
Public Works ground	2/7/23

Views can be made orally or submitted in writing from  $20^{th}$  June to  $2^{nd}$  July 2023 at the specified Sub County and Ward Headquarters from 9:00am to 5:00pm.

Written submission and memoranda can be addressed to the Municipal manager, Maua municipality, P.O Box 120-60200 Meru or Via Email address; mauamunicipality@gmail.com latest by 1st July 2023. The hard copies of these documents will be issued to the Maua Municipal manager.

## THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF MERU



## MAUA MUNICIPALITY

Minutes of Boda Boda Riders Meeting Held at the Public Works Ground - Maua Town on 2/7/2023 at 2Pm.

Present: LIST ATTACHED

### Agenda:

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Update on Membership Drive
- 3. Discussions on Safety and Security Concerns
- 4. Fare Regulations and Passenger Disputes
- 5. Revenue Collection and County Permits
- 6. Collaboration with Local Authorities
- 7. Any Other Business

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## Meeting Summary:

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

- The meeting commenced with a welcome address by [Name of Chair], Chairperson of the Boda Boda Riders Association, Maua Town.
- Brief introductions were made by all attendees, including opening remarks from:
  - o **Municipal Manager, Mr. Mwenda** expressed appreciation for the Boda Boda Riders Association's role in Maua's transportation system and

emphasized the importance of open communication between the association and local authorities.

 Assistant County Commissioner highlighted the critical role of Boda Boda riders in maintaining security within the town and offered continued support for collaborative efforts.

## 2. Update on Membership Drive

- Kariithi Harun provided an update on the on-going membership drive.
- 57 new members have joined the association since the last meeting.
- The importance of a strong membership base was emphasized to ensure a unified voice for the riders.

## 3. Discussions on Safety and Security Concerns

- A major discussion point focused on safety and security concerns faced by riders.
- Issues raised included:
  - o Theft of motorcycles
  - Violence from passengers
  - o Traffic accidents
- The county government, through the municipal manager, acknowledged the safety concerns and expressed commitment to exploring solutions, including increased police patrols in high-risk areas.
- The Assistant County Commissioner encouraged riders to report all criminal activity to the authorities promptly and offered to facilitate training sessions on conflict resolution.

## 4. Fare Regulations and Passenger Disputes

- The meeting addressed concerns regarding fare regulations and passenger disputes.
- The importance of adhering to a standardized fare structure was highlighted to prevent confusion and overcharging.
- Strategies for resolving passenger disputes peacefully were discussed, with an emphasis on clear communication and de-escalation techniques.

## 5. Revenue Collection and County Permits

• Discussions were held on the process of revenue collection and county permit procedures. Member requested the county government to be lenient in the enforcement of the revenue collection.

 The revenue coordinator Madam Ann clarified the ambiguities regarding permit applications and renewals.

# 6. Collaboration with Local Authorities

- A new agenda point was introduced to discuss potential avenues for closer collaboration between the Boda Boda Riders Association, the Municipal Manager's office, and the Assistant County Commissioner's office.
- Ideas included:
  - o Joint patrols to deter crime
  - o Public awareness campaigns on road safety
  - o Rider training programs focused on defensive driving and customer service

## 7. Any Other Business

 Members asked the municipality administration to construct enough Boda boda sheds to caution them from extreme weather.

## **Action Items:**

The municipal manager committed to have the sheds constructed.

## **Next Meeting:**

The date and time for the next meeting will be communicated to all members.

## Meeting Adjournment

The meeting was ended at 4PM with a word of prayer from Charles Mwenda.

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# **COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF MERU**



DEPARTMENT OF LANDS, PHYSICAL PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS

MUNICIPAL INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (IDEP) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION REPORT

#### Introduction

This report serves as a comprehensive documentation of the extensive public participation exercise conducted on the 7th and 8th of May 2024, focusing on the Meru and Maua Integrated Development Plan (IDEP). It represents a thorough exploration of proposed projects aimed at nurturing urban growth and enhancing the well-being of the respective communities.

Within the Meru IDEP, a diverse array of meticulously curated programs has been designed to address various facets of development, including Urban Institutional Development, Urban Infrastructure Development, Environmental Management, Trade and Enterprise Development, and Disaster Management. These programs are strategically crafted to cater to the specific needs and aspirations of the populace. Key initiatives outlined in the Meru IDEP encompass capacity building initiatives aimed at enhancing the skills and competencies of municipal staff, infrastructural upgrades such as cabro paving and the installation of street lighting systems, environmental conservation endeavours geared towards preserving natural resources, and proactive measures aimed at enhancing disaster preparedness and response capabilities.

Similarly, the Maua IDEP presents a comprehensive strategic framework that outlines a roadmap for Urban Institutional Development, Urban Infrastructure Development, Environmental Management, Trade and Enterprise Development, and Disaster Management within the municipality. Noteworthy initiatives within the Maua IDEP range from enhancements to drainage systems and road infrastructure to environmental conservation projects aimed at safeguarding natural habitats and biodiversity, as well as economic revitalization efforts geared towards stimulating growth and prosperity.

These reports represent the culmination of extensive collaborative efforts between various stakeholders, including local communities, governmental bodies, non-governmental organizations, and other relevant stakeholders. The insights and feedback gathered through the public participation exercise have been instrumental in shaping the development priorities outlined in the IDEPs. They reflect a shared commitment to fostering sustainable development, promoting inclusive growth, and enhancing the overall quality of life for residents.

Furthermore, the IDEPs serve as living documents that will guide decision-making processes and resource allocation efforts in the years to come. They provide a roadmap for coordinated action and serve as a basis for monitoring and evaluating progress towards the achievement of development goals and objectives. As such, they represent a significant step towards building resilient, inclusive, and prosperous communities that are equipped to thrive in the face of evolving challenges and opportunities.

#### MERU IDEP PUBLIC PARTICIPATION REPORT

#### Program 1: Urban Institutional Development

- 1. Capacity building of the board and staff for municipality
- 2. Citizen for a for awareness, civic education,
- 3. Construction/refurbishment of Municipal offices.

### Program 2: Urban Infrastructure Development

- Cabro paving at Thimangiri Market, Gakurine Market, Kathare rd, CMC Hospital Rd, Gakoromone full gospel rd, Mwirine- kooje rd, Nevada loop road, Kathima – Mati rd,
- 2. Pave access road for Kathirune market (Nkabune), Kianjuri dispensary, Giantune Kiamiruru, Kwa Mbea Kwa Kimaita
- 3. Parking yard around Meru Town.
- Streetlight from Mati road Nkabune, Gitimbine Ganchanka Kirige, MwithuMwiru – Karumathi, Kaaga Mentally – Kaaga boys, Mwirine- kooje rd, Kainginyo – Kirogine, Kirogine – Kianjuri, Olive – Kwa Muriuki (Kemu), Barrier – SOS (Kemu), Giantune – Tusks,
- 5. Floodlight/Highmast at Kathita bridge, Ntontua Irandu,
- 6. Giantune Kasarani Guardrails and road signage,

## Program 3: Environmental Management

- 1. Increase Skip bins, Skip bin placed at Giantune
- 2. Rehabilitation of water catchment areas in the municipality
- 3. Toilets and gabage collection at Kiorone chief camps market.
- 4. Mpakoone garbage collection bins

### Program 4: Trade and Enterprise Development

- 1. Crenche at Gakoromone market
- 2. Construction /upgrading of Marikiti Market.
- 3. Gakurine Market cabro paving
- 4. Koogole (Ebony) Market to be upgraded
- 5. Kienderu Market upgrade and facelift
- 6. Market policy

### Program 5: Disaster Management

- 1. Construct a fire station at Makutano
- 2. Purchase of more fire trucks.
- 3. Upgrading the fire stations.
- 4. Fire hydrants in municipality
- 5. Create a rescue centre for street family and vulnerable

## MAUA IDEP PUBLIC PARTICIPATION REPORT

## Program 1: Urban Institutional Development

- 1. Capacity building of Municipal board
- 2. Renovation and expansion of Municipal hall
- 3. Construction of Municipal offices
- 4. Support enforcement of policy and bylaws
- 5. Benchmarking and capacity building on staff
- 6. Purchase of Municipality van

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## Program 2: Urban Infrastructure Development

- 1. Drainage is the greatest concern in Maua: Annex area drainage works, Iriene, Drainage works, Nkando, Makiri market drainage works, Basin area, Basically the whole of Maua Town,
- 2. Connect the sewerage in Maua Municipality
- 3. Road works at Gichunge Kilui, Ankurani Kathima, Itura-kiigine, Kayaria- General Hospital, Bei Sawa- Tea buying Centre, Makiri Mbee Road, Kachiuru- Quarry Kwa mutisya- Town road, Kithetu Kathima, kio ubaya- Miori, Kalimantiri Kwa Kabuae General Hospital, Main road- Subcounty Offices rd, Silver inn kuuru, Kwa Amos- Kaumbuthu- Ntoitha road Spot maintainance, BlackSeed Maua mall
- Cabro Paving Kaciongo Downtown, Police Kiegoi Stage, Rubis annex, Kainga –PCEA, Kabaki General Hospital, Kastarehe Road,
- 5. High mast light at Kalimantiri, Kilalai, Iriene,
- 6. Street lighting Town Kilima Ntiri, Gitura, Kithetu- Kathima,
- 7. Maua Stadium upgrading, renovation and drainage works
- 8. Covering of pit at Kwa Kithela (Njoune- kwa Mugo Road)
- 9. Open up exits at Maua stage towards NCPB to reduce congestion

## Program 3: Environmental Management

- 1. Acquire land for garbage disposal(Around the forest)
- 2. Construct a material recycling centre
- 3. Tree Planting around mwangaza Park
- 4. Purchase garbage collection truck
- 5. Reclaiming of river mboone
- 6. Purchase of grainder and buckle
- 7. Beautification of Kaciongo Antobochiu road
- 8. Recreational benches in open spaces around the town
- 9. Cultural centre around the municipal building.
- 10. Establish a museum within Maua municipality
- 11. Public water points in maua municipality.

12. Modern eco toilets in Makiri, Kanini Haraka, Methodist area, Maua girls, Pluto, Kachiongo

# **Program 4: Trade and Enterprise Development**

- 1. Modern Kiosk at central, Main stage and Open spaces between Kaciongo Antubochiu
- 2. Construction/ renovation of Maua fruits markets
- 3. Construction livestock market
- 4. Establishment and Construction of miraa market sheds
- 5. Setup rehabilitation Centre in maua
- 6. Establish Ajira Centre/ Equipped ICT centre
- 7. Establish cultural resource centre.
- 8. Support tourism by having cable cars and zip lining activities in Kithetu

# Program 5: Disaster Management

- 1. Purchase of more fire trucks.
- 2. Upgrading the fire stations.
- 3. Fire hydrants in municipality
- 4. Create a rescue centre for street family and vulnerable