

KPDA WEEKLY MEDIA REVIEW REPORT AS AT 4TH AUGUST 2017

Weekly Insights into Current Affairs Affecting the Kenyan Real Estate Market

Every Friday, we select a few media articles from the week that we think are worth your time as a player in the property development sector. We look for compelling articles not only about trends in the market, but also policy issues, upcoming technologies and global trends in real estate. We would love to hear from you on what you are engaged in to promote the sector.

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CEO DE-BRIEF

KPDA SECRETARIAT CLOSURE, MONDAY 7TH TO FRIDAY 11TH AUGUST 2017

This is to inform you that the KPDA secretariat will remain closed starting from Monday 7th August 2017 to Friday 11th August 2017. The secretariat will re-open on Monday, 14th August 2017 at 8.00am.

REMINDER INVITATION TO KPDA MEMBERS TO JOIN THE KPDA REGULATORY BODIES WORKING GROUP

Are you a KPDA Member interested in becoming more involved in your Association? We are looking for you!

The KPDA Public Policy and Advocacy Committee is committed to ensuring that KPDA impacts the industry through engagement on policy issues and becomes the most reputable body for the advocacy of real estate issues. In order to address KPDA's gap in its engagement with various, relevant regulatory bodies, the committee created the Regulatory Bodies Working Group.

The mandate of the KPDA Regulatory Bodies Working Group is to:

1. Lobby for KPDA's representation on the various management boards of relevant bodies;
2. Lobby for harmonization of various fees and levies;
3. Lobby for gazettment of scrapping of National Construction Authority (NCA) and National Environmental Management Authority (NEMA) fees;
4. Lobby for the recognition of KPDA by receiving assigned liaison officers to address various members' issues;
5. Advocate for consumer protection in the industry.

NB:

- ❖ All applicants must be representatives of current members of KPDA in good standing.
- ❖ Each KPDA member can only nominate one representative from their organization.
- ❖ Members of the KPDA Regulatory Bodies Working Group will not be members of the Public Policy and Advocacy Committee.

Interested individuals are requested to submit their expression of interest by writing to the CEO using the address ceo@kpda.or.ke.

REMINDER INVITATION TO THE KPDA 2017 INTERNATIONAL STUDY TRIP TO UAE

The Kenya Property Developers Association has organized a trip to Dubai in the UAE, from Saturday 9th September to Friday 15th September 2017.

KPDA 2017 INTERNATIONAL STUDY TRIP - ITINERARY

Saturday, 9 th September 2017:	Arrival
Sunday, 10 th September 2017:	Visit to Mixed Use Developments by Emaar Properties
Monday, 11 th September 2017:	Attendance of Cityscape Global Conference and Exhibition KPDA Welcoming Dinner
Tuesday, 12 th September 2017:	Visit to a Green Building
Wednesday, 13 th September 2017:	Presentation by Crystal Lagoons and visit to a theme park
Thursday, 14 th September 2017:	Free Day
Friday, 15 th September 2017:	Departure

The deadline for registration is Monday 14th August 2017 with a non-refundable fee of USD 500 (Kshs. 51, 900). Balance payments must be received in full by Friday, 25th August 2017.

REQUIREMENTS FOR BOOKING

Kindly email ceo@kpda.or.ke with the following:

1. Registration fees (non-refundable) of USD 500 (Kshs, 51, 900)
2. Participant(s) full names
3. Organization they are representing (if they are dependants, please indicate the name of the member company to whom the principal participant belongs to)
4. Copy of the participant(s)'s passport

To download the full invitation flyer and itinerary, please click on the link below:

[The KPDA 2017 International Study Trip to UAE, September 2017 - FLYER.pdf](#)

4TH AUGUST 2017

The Star | Alvine Ratemo | Friday 4th August 2017
LANDOWNERS STALL NYAMIRA WATER PROJECTS

Nyamira residents will have to wait longer for piped water after they disagreed about the sites of three projects. The water projects were to begin by the end of last year, but this failed. [Read More](#)

3RD AUGUST 2017

Daily Nation | Collins Omulo | Thursday 3rd August 2017
NGONG IS ONE TOWN TO WATCH

Ngong, a vast swathe of land overlooking the Great Rift Valley, which has close links with the country's colonial history. Once considered a major settler farming area, Ngong - derived from the enkong'u emuny", which means "rhinoceros spring" or "knuckles", in reference to the four hilly peaks of the Ngong Ridge - has grown from a backwater centre to a bustling town. [Read More](#)

The Standard | David Mwitari | Thursday 3rd August 2017
WHY TENANT PURCHASE PLAN COULD WORK

The National Housing Corporation and the National Social Security Fund have been the biggest players in this area. And now, the tenant housing purchase plan is back in the limelight after the unveiling of the Africa Tenancy Initiative. This is a scheme that is bringing together more than 35 Saccos, financing institutions and other property development partners. [Read More](#)

Daily Nation | Lukorito Jones | Thursday 3rd August 2017
PRE-CONSTRUCTION CHECKLIST

For many aspiring home-owners, putting up a dream home might seem like a daunting task. With things such as budgeting, acquiring permits, drawing plans and mobilising labour, a prospective homeowner might be tempted to shy away from building. [Read More](#)

Business Daily | Thursday 3rd August 2017
EX-LIQUID TELECOM LANDLORD SEEKS SH77M IN LEASE ROW

The owners of Upper Hill building Embankment Plaza have sued Liquid Telecom demanding Sh77 million compensation for termination of lease agreement before its original July 2017 expiry date. [Read More](#)

The Standard | Peter Muiruri | Thursday 3rd August 2017
NAIROBI CITY CENTER NO LONGER AT EASE AS BIG FIRMS RELOCATE

Big companies are leaving city's central business district. The alternatives to the CBD are Upper Hill, Westlands, parts of Kilimani and areas around Ngong Road. According to the JLL report, a huge portion of the 191,000 square metres of office space completed in 2016 was concentrated in Upper Hill and Kilimani. [Read More](#)

The Standard | Renson Mnyamwezi | Thursday 3rd August 2017
TAITA TAVETA RESIDENTS CLASH WITH KWS OVER COMMUNITY SHRINE

The fencing off of community shrines in Maktau, Taita Taveta, is to blame for the devastating drought in the county, elders have claimed. [Read More](#)

The Standard | Jack Murima | Thursday 3rd August 2017
KAKAMEGA COURT ALLOWS OUT-OF-COURT AGREEMENT FOR FATHER AND SON

The court has allowed a man who threatened to kill his father to seek an out-of-court settlement. Fredrick Ihumbi Kutwa, 35, told the court that he was remorseful for his actions as his father had given him land. [Read More](#)

2ND AUGUST 2017

Daily Nation | Anita Chepkoech | Wednesday 2nd August 2017
GOVERNOR CHEPKWONY PUTS KERICHO LAND GRABBERS ON NOTICE

Kericho Governor Paul Chepkwony has put senior government officials linked to the grabbing of hundreds of acres of public land in the county on notice, saying they will be jailed. [Read More](#)

Daily Nation | Wednesday 2nd August 2017
COURT OKAYS CONVERSION OF FORMER PRESIDENT'S LAND INTO GAME PARK

Former President, Daniel arap Moi, has received the court's backing regarding his sale of 17,000 acres of land in Laikipia to be converted into a national park despite opposition from the local community. [Read More](#)

Daily Nation | Wednesday 2nd August 2017
INVESTOR'S ATTITUDE TAKING TOLL ON PROPERTY MARKET

The hotly contested General Election is only a few days away, and investors are holding on to their cash to see how things turn out. [Read More](#)

Daily Nation | Silas Kinoti | Wednesday 2nd August 2017
A GAME CHANGER FOR CITY'S EASTLANDS

If there is any form of development that benefits the entire society without discrimination, it is investment in infrastructure. A proper road network not only stimulates the creation of wealth but also enhances social cohesion and integration. [Read More](#)

1ST AUGUST 2017

Business Daily | Edwin Mutai | Tuesday 1st August 2017
MINING CS KAZUNGU SETS UP TEAM TO PROBE QUARRIES

Mining secretary Dan Kazungu has appointed a taskforce to establish the legal status, land ownership and management of all quarries in the country. Mr. Kazungu named a 15-member team to look into the administration of quarries. [Read More](#)

Business Daily | Brian Wasuna | Tuesday 1st August 2017

The High Court has reversed its earlier decision barring the National Land Commission (NLC) from investigating the ownership of a piece of land at the centre of a battle between the Kenya Railways pension scheme and the family of former Head of Civil Service Joseph Leting. [Read More](#)

31ST JULY 2017

Business Daily | Wanjohi Githae | Monday 31st July 2017
MATIBA FAMILY TO SUE SWAZURI TEAM OVER CANCELLED TITLE DEEDS

The family of veteran politician Kenneth Matiba has said it will move to court to challenge the decision by the National Land Commission to revoke title deeds owned by its companies. The commission last week revoked title deeds for three parcels owned by companies associated with the Matiba family. [Read More](#)

30TH JULY 2017

Daily Nation | Richard Munguti | Sunday 30th July 2017
COURT FREES NGILU CO-ACCUSED IN KAREN LAND CASE

Five people charged alongside former Lands Cabinet Secretary Charity Ngilu in the Sh8 billion Karen land case have been freed. [Read More](#)

The East African | Kabona Esiara | Sunday 30th July 2017
RWANDAN GOVT OFFERS FIRMS INCENTIVES TO BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSING

The government plans to offer an infrastructure rebate to developers of high density and affordable housing units in a bid to meet increasing demand. [Read More](#)

29TH JULY 2017

Daily Nation | John Kamau | Saturday 29th July 2017
KIAMBU COLLEGE TRUSTEES DEFEND THEMSELVES IN LAND ROW

The move to transfer the land on which Kiambu Institute of Science and Technology (Kist) stands has been defended as a bid to protect it from grabbers. This came after Kiambu politician Nginyo Kariuki threatened to go to court over the matter. [Read More](#)

Daily Nation | Odenda Lumumba | Saturday 29th July 2017
THE SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL MISCHIEF AROUND LAND IN KENYA

Kenya's land governance system is fashioned to facilitate land expropriation for the few and powerful who continue to resist reforms [Read More](#)



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