

KPDA Media Weekly Review Report as at 19th July 2019



CEO DE-BRIEF

INVITATION TO THE KPDA CEO MORNING LEARNING SESSION, TUESDAY, 30TH JULY 2019 AT THE VILLA ROSA KEMPINSKI HOTEL, NAIROBI



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THEME: "KNOW YOUR REGULATORS"

DATE: TUESDAY, 30TH JULY 2019

VENUE: VILLA ROSA KEMPINSKI HOTEL, WESTLANDS - NAIROBI

TIME: 8.00AM – 11.30AM

In general, compliance means conforming to a rule, such as a specification, policy, standard or law. Regulatory compliance describes the goal that organizations aspire to achieve in their efforts to ensure that they are aware of and take steps to comply with relevant laws, policies, and regulations. In the Kenyan construction industry, businesses interact with numerous bodies both from national and county government and the general public sentiment is that there is a lack of clear information on what the correct statutory requirements for construction are.

Based on the above, KPDA has organized for a forum that will allow for in-depth interaction between the audience and various regulatory bodies.

The **CEO Morning Learning Session** is scheduled for **Tuesday 30th July 2019** at the **Villa Rosa Kempinski Hotel** in Westlands from **8.00am to 11.30am**. The theme of the forum is **"Know Your Regulator."**

EVENT OBJECTIVES:

1. Understanding the approvals process in the Lands and Urban Planning Departments at the Nairobi City County Government;
2. Discuss the progress on improving efficiency at the Ministry of Lands and Physical Planning;

Members of the Board of Registration for Architects and Quantity Surveyors (BORAQS) will be awarded CPD points.

NB:

- Please note that registration fees once paid are non-refundable and cannot be transferred to cater for the cost of attending future events.
- Participants who attend this event without an RSVP will be surcharged at the door by 50%.

3. Understand the construction industry's compliance requirements with the NCA, NEMA and WRA.

INVITED SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS:

Invited Speakers and Panelists will be representatives of:

1. Ministry of Lands and Physical Planning
2. Nairobi City County Government
3. National Environmental Management Authority (NEMA)
4. The Water Regulatory Authority (WRA)
5. National Construction Authority (NCA)

The draft program will be availed in due course.

CHARGES:

- KPDA Members: **Kshs. 4,640** (inclusive of VAT)
- Non - Members: **Kshs. 6,380** (inclusive of VAT)

The deadline to RSVP (with payment) is **WEDNESDAY 24TH JULY 2019** with the KPDA secretariat on telephone **0737 530 290** or **0725 286 689** or by email to ceo@kpda.or.ke or membership@kpda.or.ke.



- NON MEMBERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EVENT WITHOUT PRIOR PAYMENT.
- Cancellations are only refundable if the secretariat is notified on email by no later than Wednesday, 20th February 2019.

To RSVP, kindly reach us via email ceo@kpda.or.ke/membership@kpda.or.ke or call us through 0737530290/0725286689

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY TRANSPORT POLICY

The Nairobi City County Government is, with the support of the EU, in the process of organizing its operations in order to effectively deliver on its constitutional mandate. The County Government is now developing a transport policy in line with its devolved functions. This policy is being prepared in consultation with key stakeholders.

To view the general layout of the proposed policy, please click [HERE](#).

As a key stakeholder, KPDA has been invited to participate in the process of policy development. This can be done in two stages:

Stage 1 - within the next two weeks KPDA makes any comments on the key areas that it feels policy should address in order to improve transport in Nairobi. At the end of that time a paper on the key issues will be submitted to the County Government for approval.

Stage 2 - a Stakeholders Workshop is scheduled for the 25th September 2019 at which KPDA will be invited to comment on the draft policy itself.

The consultant has requested to receive any contributions under Stage 1, by 2nd August 2019.

INVITATION TO KESRA AUGUST TRAINING

The Kenya School of Revenue Administration (KESRA) is the training arm of the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA). Their mandate is to build capacity for the stakeholders so that they can meet their business and tax obligations.

Their trainings aim at building competencies, hands-on knowledge in area of practice and contemporary skills that empower productivity and performance.

In line with its philosophy of providing quality training services, KESRA, intends to hold an intensive training workshops on five courses namely: Taxation for Banks & Financial Institutions, Taxation for Real Estates, iTax Administration, Taxation for procurement Professionals and Taxation for Extractive industries (Mining, oil & Gas).

The deadline for Registration and payment is on the **16th August 2019** for iTax & Taxation for Banks and **23rd August 2019** for Taxation for Real estates, Procurement Professionals & Extractive industries 2019. Kindly fill this registration form [HERE](#) and submit through kesratraining@kra.go.ke

In case of any clarifications or additional information, kindly contact **Teclar, Johnson or Collins** on **0709752727/0700172842/0725781510** or email kesratraining@kra.go.ke

THE AFRICA PROPERTY INVESTMENT AWARDS

The Africa Property Investment Summit is calling members to enter or nominate projects, and property stakeholders, for the **3rd annual African Property Investment (API) Awards** taking place on **2 October 2019**. Mandated to highlight excellence and achievement in African Real Estate, the Awards provide peer recognition for work accomplished and are part of the programme of events of the continent's premier property gathering.

This year's Awards cover 13 categories and are judged by a panel of African property experts. To view the list of categories, click [HERE](#)

Finalists have to register and attend the API Summit and Gala Networking Dinner taking place at Alice and Fifth to be eligible to win their category. To simplify their registration process, finalists can click [HERE](#) to fill the online form.

Should you have more questions, kindly email priscilla@apievents.com or visit www.apisummit.co.za/api-awards for more information.

AAK ANNUAL CONVENTION 2019, 14-17 AUGUST 2019 AT THE SAROVA WHITESANDS RESORT, MOMBASA: ACCOMMODATION UPDATE

The Architectural Association of Kenya has made bookings for accommodation at the hotel for delegates and which is available at the following rates:

Room Type	Occupancy	Rates per night
Pool Facing rooms:	Single	KES 14,500.00
	Double	KES 20,000.00
	Triple	KES 24,000.00
Sea facing rooms:	Single	KES 16,000.00
	Double	KES 22,000.00
	Triple	KES 26,000.00

Payments for room bookings will be received until **close of business, Wednesday, 31st July 2019**. All the rooms that will not have been booked and paid for by **31st July 2019** will be released.

19th July 2019

Daily Nation | Mary Wambui | Friday 19th July 2019

TAXPAYER BEARS BRUNT OF POLICE HOUSING ROW

A delay in the valuation of government houses occupied by police and prison officers plus separation of utility bills has seen the taxpayer continue to fork out hundreds of millions of shillings in allowances each month to officers still being housed by the state. [Read More.](#)

18th July 2019

Daily Nation | James Kariuki | Thursday 18th July 2019

CITY SET TO UNLEASH DEBT COLLECTORS ON DEFAULTERS

Businesses and property owners in Nairobi may soon face private debt collectors after the Nairobi City County government moved to outsource the service. [Read More.](#)

Daily Nation | Millicent Mwololo | Thursday 18th July 2019

MTRH STAFF PENSION SCHEME TO BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSES AND SECURE POST-RETIREMENT MEDICAL COVER FOR MEMBERS

It has been a rapid growth journey for Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital Staff Pension Scheme (MTRHSPS), which opened its doors in 2001. [Read More.](#)

Daily Nation | Nzomo Mutuku | Thursday 18th July 2019

HOW RBA IS ENABLING PENSION PLAYERS TO SUPPORT KENYA'S GROWTH STRATEGY

The Retirement Benefits Authority (RBA) is mandated to regulate and supervise the establishment and management of retirement benefits schemes, and to protect the interest of members and sponsors. [Read More.](#)

The Standard | Josphat Thiong'o | Thursday 18th July 2019

UN-HABITAT 'TINY' HOUSE: SOLUTION TO KENYA'S HOUSING PROBLEMS?

The UN-Habitat has unveiled a house prototype for affordable green building aimed at addressing housing shortage in densely populated urban areas. Dubbed Tiny House, the model is expected to address the problem of affordable housing in Kenya and tackle climate change. [Read More.](#)

The Standard | Ben Ahenda | Thursday 18th July 2019

OLD NAKURU ESTATES LEFT BEHIND BY THE TIMES

Old municipal estates in Nakuru continue to be an eyesore even as the town gears up for a city status. [Read More.](#)

Business Daily | George Omondi | Thursday 18th July 2019

CBK LICENCE HITCH HITS SH35BN CHEAP STATE-BACKED MORTGAGE

A licence hitch has delayed the take-off of State-backed firm that was meant to boost the access to cheaper mortgage through making it easier for banks to access long-term finance for home loans.

[Read More.](#)

17th July 2019

Daily Nation | Collins Omulo | Wednesday 17th July 2019

NAIROBI ISSUES THIRD PAINTING ORDER THIS YEAR

Property owners within the Nairobi Central Business District (CBD) have been given two weeks to repaint and redecorate their premises or face legal action. [Read More.](#)

Daily Nation | Bobby Kamani | Wednesday 17th July 2019

INNOVATION THE CURE FOR HOTEL INDUSTRY CHALLENGES

The ever-growing internet penetration in Kenya has had an impact on the hotel industry, particularly in the manner in which rooms are booked, which has seen the emergence of online travel agencies. [Read More.](#)

Business Daily | John Mutua | Wednesday 17th July 2019

I&M, DEVELOPER HALT SALE OF SH2BN ATHI RIVER ESTATE

The planned auction of houses in Athi River's Sunset Boulevard Estate over a defaulted loan has been stopped amid a court order handing reprieve to more than 200 home owners. [Read More.](#)

Business Daily | Constant Munda | Wednesday 17th July 2019

GRAFT SLOWING BIG-TICKET INVESTMENT - MOODY'S

Perception of corruption and low transparency in procurement remains a top concern for big-ticket investors looking for opportunities in Kenya, researchers at Moody's have said. [Read More.](#)

Business Daily | John Mutua | Wednesday 17th July 2019

NAIROBI HOMES TO PAY NEW FIRE, PETS AND GARBAGE FEES

All Nairobi households will for the first time be required to pay for fire certificates, garbage collection and inspection of the health of their pets in a raft of new taxes proposed by Governor Mike Sonko's administration. [Read More.](#)

Business Daily | Stanley Ngotho | Wednesday 17th July 2019

SAVANNAH CEMENT EYES DOUBLE CAPACITY TO SUPPLY EAST AFRICA

Savannah Cement Company is doubling its production capacity to 2.4 million tonnes in a multi-billion shilling investment at its Athi River plant as it targets the exports market within East Africa. [Read More.](#)

The Standard | Josphat Thiong'o | Wednesday 17th July 2019

CONSTRUCTION OF SH300B AFFORDABLE HOUSES IN NAIROBI BEGINS FRIDAY, SAYS GOVERNOR SONKO

The construction of Pangani affordable housing project will commence this week with contractors expected to move on site this week Friday. [Read More.](#)

The Standard | Kenyanitto Oyier And Josphat Thiong'o | Wednesday 17th July 2019

CITY HALL KICKS OUT AGEING, AILING TENANTS IN PANGANI MIDNIGHT RAID

Scores of tenants, most of them elderly and ailing, spent the night in the cold after City Hall forcibly evicted them from Pangani estate minutes to midnight. [Read More.](#)

Daily Nation | Sponsored Content | Wednesday 17th July 2019

REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT MYTHS DEBUNKED

Myths often form the basis for fear and holds people back from taking on new opportunities. The same rings true when it comes to investing in real estate. [Read More.](#)

16th July 2019

Daily Nation | Joseph Wangui | Tuesday 16th July 2019

COURT RULES OUT DNA IN PROPERTY DISPUTES

Children whose paternity is disputed will no longer need to be subjected to DNA tests so as to be included as beneficiaries of their father's estate, the High Court has ruled. [Read More.](#)

Daily Nation | Brian Wasuna | Tuesday 16th July 2019

SUNSET BOULEVARD ESTATE TO BE SOLD OVER SH400M DEBT

More than 200 homeowners in Athi River's Sunset Boulevard Estate risk losing their investments as auctioneers hired by I&M Bank look to sell the gated community to recover more than Sh400 million in unpaid loans. [Read More.](#)

Business Daily | Edwin Mutai | Tuesday 16th July 2019

MINISTRY SAYS MULTI-BILLION SGR DEMOLITIONS ORDERED BY CABINET

The Cabinet sanctioned the June 14 demolition of multibillion- shilling properties along the standard gauge railway (SGR) Phase 2A corridor, MPs heard on Tuesday. [Read More.](#)

Business Daily | Philip Muyanga | Tuesday 16th July 2019

RUBIS TAKEOVER SPARKS KENOL ROW WITH LANDLORD

A KenolKobil landlord is accusing the oil marketer of breaching a land lease agreement on any transfer of its shares that would see the control of the lessee pass to another party. [Read More.](#)

Business Daily | Editorial | Tuesday 16th July 2019

RESTORE CONFIDENCE IN THE PROPERTY MARKET

An eviction threat facing more than 200 home buyers in Athi River's Sunset Boulevard Estate following a dispute between the developer and I&M Bank is a wake-up call to expedite a proposed law allowing for issuance of title deeds for apartment unit owners. [Read More.](#)

Business Daily | John Mutua | Tuesday 16th July 2019

HOW COUNTIES CAN UNLOCK BILLIONS IN LAND RENT TO EASE BUDGET HEADACHE

Transferring land rent collection role to counties could enhance the regional governments' Own Source Revenue (OSR) and reduce budget strains, a study by the National Treasury recommends, adding that inflation adjustments could make the situation better. [Read More.](#)

Business Daily | Brian Ngugi | Tuesday 16th July 2019

ROGUE BONDS TRADER FRED MWENI'S KILIFI LAND PUT ON SALE

Auctioneers have put on sale multi-million shilling properties belonging to a former bonds dealer who was banned from the market for illegal trades after he failed to settle a bank loan. [Read More.](#)

Business Daily | James Kariuki | Tuesday 16th July 2019

KPA TO PUT UP KENYA'S BIGGEST OFFICE COMPLEX

Kenya Ports Authority (KPA) is set to construct a multi-storeyed headquarter in Mombasa expected to be the largest office complex in Kenya. [Read More.](#)

15th July 2019

Business Daily | James Kariuki | Monday 15th July 2019

SHELTER AFRIQUE ASKS KENYA TO ESTABLISH HOUSING MICROFINANCIER

Pan-African residential development financier Shelter Afrique says Kenya should establish a housing microfinance institution (MFI) to promote uptake of mortgages. [Read More.](#)

Business Daily | Hosea Kili | Monday 15th July 2019

FORGET WILLS, PLAN YOUR ESTATE TO OUTLIVE YOU

Numerous estate owners have left their dependents destitute, squabbling or the laughing stock of the country or village (depending on the publicity generated by family feuds) just because they failed to plan how their property and assets will be managed once they are gone. [Read More.](#)

Business Daily | Victor Juma | Monday 15th July 2019

CITY LAWYER BUYS SAMEER STAKE WITH EYE ON PRIME LAND PARCELS

City lawyer Andrew Musangi, a kin of billionaire entrepreneur Chris Kirubi, has bought a 1.1 percent stake in tyre distributor Sameer Africa with an eye on the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE) listed company's prime land holdings. [Read More.](#)

14th July 2019

Daily Nation | John Mutua | Sunday 14th July 2019

NEGLECTED ENVOY HOMES COST KENYA SH1.9BN IN RENT

Taxpayers spent Sh1.9 billion in rent for Kenyan diplomats over the nine months to September in top cities like London, Washington and New York who have been forced to rent homes as their State-owned residences fall apart due to neglect. [Read More.](#)

Daily Nation | Kevin J Kelley | Sunday 14th July 2019

US BLAMES CORRUPTION FOR SLOWING DOWN FOREIGN INVESTMENTS IN KENYA

Kenya is steadily enhancing its attractiveness to international investors, but “endemic” corruption slows the flow of foreign capital into the country’s economy, the US State Department said on Thursday. [Read More.](#)

Daily Nation | James Kariuki | Sunday 14th July 2019

TRUSTEE DEBATE: WHY KENYA IS LAGGING BEHIND

A planned auction of politician Njenga Karume’s Jacaranda Hotel in Nairobi has flashed new light on trustees’ ability to oversee businesses. [Read More.](#)

Business Daily | Philip Muyanga | Sunday 14th July 2019

KENOLKOBIL SUES LANDLORD OVER EVICTION THREAT

Oil marketer KenolKobil has sued its landlord over alleged threats to evict it from two parcels of land where it operates its petrol stations in Mombasa and Kilifi. [Read More.](#)

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