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KMA Partners with World Bank.

KMA in partnership with the World Bank, Institute for Transportation and Development Policy (ITDP), and Rebel Group, is developing a roadmap for the planning and implementation of a high-quality bus rapid transit (BRT) system in Kumasi, along with complementary pedestrian and cycle facilities.



BRT is a high-quality bus-based public transport system delivering fast, comfortable, and cost-effective mobility through the provision of segregated right-of-way infrastructure, rapid and frequent operations, excellence in marketing and customer service.

FIRST SESSIONAL ADDRESS BY SAM PYNE.

Hon. Samuel Pyne has delivered his first sessional address to the General Assembly as required by the Local Governance Act, 2016.

The Metro Chief Executive of the Kumasi Metropolitan Assembly (KMA), Hon. Samuel Pyne delivered his maiden sessional address at the 1st Ordinary Meeting of the 3rd Session of the 8th Kumasi Metropolitan Assembly held on Tuesday June 14, 2022 at the Prempeh Assembly hall.

Section 28 (1) and (2) (a) of the Local Governance Act, 2016 (Act 936) requires that, every Chief Executive, address the Assembly at the beginning of each session on the programmes and policies determined by

the President and also present a report on the performance of the Metropolitan Authority, his office and that of the state of the metropolis at large.

According to the MCE, the report was on the projects and programmes as well as key activities carried out in pursuance of the Assembly's vision to create an enabling environment and also to provide essential services for a good quality of life for the people of Kumasi.

WASTE MANAGEMENT RECEIVES COMPARTOR TRUCK

Hon. Samuel Pyne hands over a compactor truck to the Waste Management Department of KMA

Hon. Samuel Pyne together with the Zoom lion Waste Management Company handed over the keys of the compactor truck to trained Zoom lion drivers with the purpose of making the city of Kumasi clean and green under the initiative of the Green and Clean campaign of the government of the Republic of Ghana.

The Mayor said with the distribution of these compactor trucks the Assembly seeks to achieve a green and clean environment, to make sure that the health of the people of Kumasi is in good state. "Make sure

the truck is put into good use and cultivate the maintenance culture for it to last to the test of time and better serve residents of the Greater Kumasi enclave for a cleaner environment." He added that the Assembly has planted 1000 trees and that they have a Garden team that makes sure that it is watered and pruned on regular basis.

He further stated that the Keep Kumasi Green and Clean project under the Green Ghana project would be sustained to achieve its intended purpose.



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Mayor Hosts Kelly Larson

Director of Bloomberg Philanthropies Initiative for Global Road Safety (BIGRS) Global was hosted by the Mayor of Kumasi Hon. Samuel Pyne at his office.

Kelly Larson mentioned that her visit was part of the world-wide visit to the 27 cities identified by BIGRS to combat speeding on our roads; and emphasized their commitment to support the Assembly in the fight. She added that their purpose is to network and share ideas and knowledge for the advancement of life saving interventions in road safety such as wearing of seatbelts, reducing speed and adhering to road signages.

While acknowledged-

ing that BIGRS effort is to augment what the city is already doing to



fight speeding, she also appreciated the efforts of both teams to hold virtual meetings during the peak

of the COVID-19 pandemic.

She strongly believes

believes that the road safety campaign can be achieved; and it is on this premise that two speed

guns were provided to the MTU of the Ghana Police Service.

Hon. Samuel Pyne mentioned that KMA has ensured that the Road Safety Initiative is given the highest attention it deserves and to give the city a stronger control of what is done under the initiative and ensure that it becomes embedded in our activities, they have set up a staff team of strong and highly placed people within the Assembly to help steer affairs.

It is worth noting that since road safety does not have boundaries, the city has put in place a system where all Assemblies within Greater Kumasi Metropolitan Area are involved in the education programs.



Management of Twellium Industries Company Ltd Confers on Mayor

The Management of Twellium Industries Company Limited together with their brand ambassador, Asamoah Gyan, (Former Black Stars skipper on Tuesday 24th May 2022, called on the Kumasi Mayor, Hon. Samuel Pyne at his office.



According to the delegation, the aim of the visit was to commend the Mayor on his appointment and pay homage to him.

They said the visit was also to introduce to the Mayor the brand and to the people of Kumasi of its new 350ml in addition of the 500ml.

Asamoah Gyan, the brand ambassador of Run Energy Drink said he was proud to associate himself with the company for their benevolent and philanthropic act towards the good people of Ghana thus his engagement with consumers and all stakeholders.

He added that Twellium company Limited was poised to give back to society and also create employment for the teaming youth of Ghana.

Hon. Samuel Pyne welcomed the delegation to his office and assured them of the Assembly's collaboration

to ensure a good business relationship since the KMA was a key stakeholder of the Company because it is good to come together on business terms

He admonished the company to stay committed to pay its taxes and called on them to invest into the Assembly's monthly clean-up exercise since cleanliness is next to godliness.

The Metro Chief Executive advised them to obey the rules and regulations governing the city and manage the noise as they set out for their outdoor sales. He wished them well and promised to always welcome the company to his office.

Mayor commits to Green Ghana Project

"Mobilising for a Greener Future" was the theme for this year tree planting exercise. The venue was the J.A. Kuffour Senior High School at Sokoban.

The Mayor, reiterated the need for all to join in the tree planting exercise in order to protect, sanitise and also beautify the environment.

He assured the public of the good will of the government to protect our forest. He hinted that the trees planted by the assembly last year are also doing well. He warned those in the habit of cutting trees to desist from doing so or face the law.

KMA is planting 700 trees from three species namely Teak, Royal Palm and Mahogany.

Global Road Safety Partnership visits Kumasi

The GRSP Team of Bloomberg Initiative for Global Road Safety (BIGRS) recently paid a two-day working visit to Kumasi.

The visit was to familiarize and ascertain the level of implementation since the initiative commenced mid-2020.

The team on the first day met with the mayor of Kumasi, Hon. Sam Pyne and other key stakeholders such as the Ghana Police Service and embedded staff.

On day two, the team conducted the crash data analysis training with the police MTTD, as well as a practical police enforcement training on selected roads.

The practical training was also used to take the police using the new speed measuring devices that was recently donated to the MTTD.

Metro Guard-Taskforce to assist Urban Transport Department

The mayor in the person of Hon. Samuel Pyne has inaugurated a 10 member Task Force of Metro Guards to assist the Urban Transport Dept. This is in the wake of some drivers parking and loading at unauthorized places and others abusing the slot given to them. Again, the task force will also clamp down on all heavy trucks and shop owners who offload goods in the CBD after 9 am. The team was advised to report any abstraction and recalcitrant person to the police. The sole aim of the exercise is to sanitise the city, allow for free flow of traffic and easy pedestrian movement as stated by the mayor.

Ghana Health Service and World Health Organization consults Mayor

A team from the Ghana Health Service (GHS) together with its partners from the World Health Organization (WHO) have conferred on the Kumasi Metro Chief Executive, Hon. Samuel Pyne at his office on Thursday, June 9, 2022.

The leader of the team, Dr. Carl Stephen A. Osei, National Programme Manager, Occupational and Environmental Health Unit in his speech said the team on behalf of the WHO, came to pay a courtesy call on the Mayor and to officially invite him to grace the occasion of a training workshop on Air Pollution and its effects on human health for doctors and other health professional in Kumasi.

According to him, the GHS has collaborated with the WHO to 'TRAIN HEALTH OFFICIALS' not only in the Metropolis but by extension the entire country for people to better appreciate their role as health practitioners and also bring to bear its real effects and mortalities recorded so far.

The Mayor, Hon. Samuel Pyne, welcomed them to the city of Kumasi and under scored the need for such training and the threat it poses on the masses. "It is against this backdrop, that the governments over the years have tried to minimize air pollution

through conscious efforts and have realized the need to green Ghana by the Akufo Addo led administration",



he said.

Mr. Pyne asked them to always interact and collaborate with the administration to help sensitize the public on such issues and pledge his support to send officers from KMA to also acquire some knowledge the next time the need arise.



KSTU visits Mayor

A 4-member delegation from the Kumasi Technical University (KsTU) called on the Kumasi Mayor, Hon. Samuel Pyne.

This was to officially pay courtesy on the mayor and to congratulate him on his appointment as the new Chief Executive of KMA.

The Vice Chancellor of the University, Ing. Prof. Nana Owusu Achiaw was accompanied by three other management members of the only public university under the jurisdiction of KMA.

The Mayor, welcomed the team and assured them of the Assembly's readiness to deepen the relationship between the two institutions in all aspects of development.

The KsTU has expressed their interest to collaborate with the Assembly on expertise such as energy and sanitation among others and asked the KMA to throw in the challenge for them to solve in order to help build the city to greater heights.

KMA-ASToN Revenue Digitization Launched

Kumasi Metropolitan Assembly (KMA) in partnership with Africa Smart Towns Network (ASToN) launched the Revenue Digitization project at the Nhyiaeso Sub-Metro to mobilize revenue with the use of technology.

This was at a stakeholder's engagement with the people of Atesamanso in the Nhyiaso sub metropolis.

Hon. Samuel Pyne, the Metro Chief Executive of the KMA said the new technological way to mobilize revenue will seal the leakages in revenue that the assembly has suffered over the

years.

"This digital transformation will enhance efficiency, effectiveness and accountability of its activities across the metropolis and improve the financial capacity of the assembly", he said.

He indicated, that, the initiative will promote inclusiveness and help the proper distribution of resources as well as fixing the correct fees once all leakages are ceased.

The MCE promised the people of transparency and accountability through this new technology and assured them of frequent update as time goes on.

The forum allowed partici-



pants to ask questions and contribute to support the initiative.



KMA and GES hold 2021 Best Teacher Awards

The Kumasi Metropolitan Assembly (KMA) and the Metro Education Directorate (GES) has organized the 2021 Metro Best Teacher/Schools Awards at the Kumasi Anglican Senior High School under the theme: "The Role of Stakeholders in Prioritizing Quality Education".

The program was under the chairmanship of Asemhene Nana Kyei Bafour.

In a remark by the Metro Coordinating Director, Mr. Akuamoah Boateng who represented the Kumasi Mayor Hon. Sam Pyne, stated, that, the significance of the event was a wakeup call to all stakeholders in the education sector to recognize and support the need to motivate and equip teachers to successfully and efficiently carry out their roles and responsibilities in terms of quality education.

He reiterated, that, the Assembly

is doing all it can to promote education within the metropolis through the education directorate.

Some hard-working teachers and schools received citation and other prizes.

The 2021 overall Metro Best Teacher award was given to Mr. Atta Kyeremeh Jonas Jnr who took home a certificate and a deep freezer. He is a science teacher from Bantama Methodist JHS.



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