

## Urban Forum 18/11/19 – summary

Present: Yehuda Zvi, (Sokolov), Hava, Itai, Avital, Noga and Elias

Agenda:

- President Hotel – and retaining walls with the neighbors
- King David St renovation
- Streets for renovation in 2020
- Update on The Hasadna Conservatory

### 1. President Hotel

Zvi, a resident of 6 Sokolov joined the forum to present the concerns of the residents of his building regarding the retaining walls planned in the President Hotel renovation. The retaining walls are 3 stories high (about 10m in height) which could block the windows of the neighboring building.

The forum discussed the issue and examined options. In principle the forum recommends that residents of the building get organized together with other residents of the neighborhood in order to create pressure to change the existing plans. At the same time, the forum will instigate a meeting in the planning department regarding the hotel.

Elias – will make the connection between Zvi and Bernice – the neighborhood representative

Elias – the meeting has been set for 11.12.19 at 14:00 in the planning dept. 2-3 members of the forum are invited to attend.

### 2. King David St renovation

The forum sent an invitation to the planners but they neither responded nor attended nor sent a presentation to be shown to the forum.

Elias will organize the screening of the presentation at the next meeting of the forum. The link for viewing the plans: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1bvjY2FGqPL8a90QhCvnAZ4LrFGqngd/view?usp=sharing>

### 3. Streets to be renovated in 2020

Itai made a list which he sent to the executive members of Ginot Halr. Other suggestions were accepted. The forum discussed the list and drew up a list of recommendations for a limited number of streets to be renovated in 2020 as follows:

List of streets to be renovated in the Ginot Halir area

Street	Neighborhood	Proximity to educational and health institutions	Criteria For choice			Last renovation of street
			Intensiveness of Pedestrian usage	Pedestrian difficulties	State of sidewalk and street	
Elazar Hamodai	Old Katamon	Main axis – Beit Elisheva and others	√	√	√	√
Ussisshkin	√	Main axis – Gymnasia and other institutions	√	√	√	√
Ramban	Rehavia	√	√	√	√	Already budgeted for 2020
Metudela and Ha'Ari	Kiryat Shmuel-Rehavia	Main axis – schools and other institutions Promenade overlooking Sacher Park, Israel Museum and Knesset-continuity to Azza St	√	√	√	√
Hizkiyahu Hamelech	Old Katamon	Main axis - hospital, yeshivot, synagogues, local trade etc	√	√	√	√

#### 4. Update of Hasadna Conservatory

Elias updated on the tender initiated by the Jerusalem Foundation and the proposals submitted. The board, which included representatives of the Foundation, the municipality and the community council selected 2 proposals with comments and recommendations for improvement. Ultimately the board will select one option

More details will follow.

The next forum will take place on 9.12.19 at 20:30 in Beit Yehudit

Recorded by Elias