

Appendix

Statements and their ranking

	Statement	1*	2**	3***
1	It is necessary to write down agreements with citizens or citizen representatives.	3	1	2
2	Conflicts with citizens in urban development processes can be prevented by making informal agreements (legally nonbinding).	2	3	-3
3	Incorporating citizen interests in urban development is preferably done by making agreements that are legally binding.	2	-2	0
4	There is a need for new legal instruments to organize the involvement of citizens better.	-2	3	-1
5	Asking citizens to commit to legally binding agreements in urban development projects discourages citizens to get involved.	-1	1	3
6	Conflicts in urban development processes emerge because not enough effort is put into finding agreement with citizens.	4	4	1
7	Enthusiastic citizens should design the decision-making process concerning urban development projects themselves.	0	1	-1
8	Citizens should codesign urban development projects.	3	2	1
9	Citizens should have to ability to decide whether an urban development project is a go or a no-go when the urban development project is presented to them.	-3	-3	0
10	Involving citizens in urban development projects is only useful through consultation.	-3	-3	-1
11	Citizens need to have the feeling that they are involved but real influence or codesigning responsibilities are unnecessary.	-1	-2	-3
12	The common interest as articulated by the city government is more important than the will of local citizens.	1	0	-2
13	Citizens have sufficient legal and politics tools to influence urban policies; special ways to involve citizens are therefore unnecessary.	0	-2	-4
14	Involving citizens in urban development leads to much needed democratic innovation.	0	2	1

15	Involving citizens in urban development makes it easier to solve political problems.	1	3	0
16	The added value of actively involving citizens in urban development is that different population groups meet.	1	2	3
17	Actively involving citizens in urban development is an adequate instrument to decrease social spatial inequalities.	-1	0	2
18	If there is an opportunity to participate in an urban development project, only outspoken citizens participate.	3	0	4
19	Citizens do not have enough time to participate actively in every urban development project.	0	4	0
20	Citizens are only involved in urban development projects to disguise budget cuts.	-4	-1	-1
21	The economic development of a city is more important than the wishes of citizens.	0	-3	-2
22	It is more important that an urban development project adds to economic development than that it incorporates the interests of citizens.	-2	-4	-1
23	Involving citizens in urban development projects saves money and time.	-2	2	-1
24	Involving citizens in urban development is important in order to deliver bottom-up change in municipalities.	1	2	2
25	Involving citizens in urban development is necessary as counter power against civil servants and the private sector.	-1	-2	3
26	The reason to not give citizens a role in the urban development process is because they do not have the knowledge or expertise to give a meaningful contribution.	-3	-4	-2
27	Citizens in urban development processes are only focused on their own private interests.	4	-1	1
28	Involving citizens in development plans succeeds only through the involvement of NGOs.	-2	-2	-2
29	NGOs do not represent the interest of local citizens in urban development.	-1	1	0
30	The position of citizens is best articulated by NGOs.	-4	-1	-2

31	NGOs prevent innovative bottom-up initiatives from taking off.	-1	0	0
32	The private sector sees the involvement of citizens in urban development as part of market research.	0	0	0
33	The private sector suppresses the possibility of citizens participating in urban development projects because they fear extra costs or a loss of time.	2	-1	1
34	The government listens more to the private sector than to citizens, which means that attempts to involve citizens often fail.	-2	0	1
35	The private sector listens better to citizens than to the government, because they know what the market wants.	0	-1	-4
36	Urban development projects where citizens are involved are successful because the government leads the project.	2	1	2
37	Civil servants represent everybody's interests in urban development projects.	2	-1	-3
38	Civil servants perceive protesting citizens as obstructers who are only focused on their own interests; therefore, they do not take their concerns seriously.	1	0	2
39	The bureaucracy of the government prevents the involvement of citizens in urban development.	1	1	4

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