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STREET BLOCK PLAN ON 1ST STOREY FRONT FACADE CONTROL OF CONSERVATION SHOPHOUSES ALONG BUSSORAH STREET IN THE KAMPONG GLAM CONSERVATION AREA

- The street block plan as shown in the attached plan <u>URA/CUD PLAN RELEASE</u> <u>1/2004</u> is to guide the restoration of the 1st storey facades of the conservation shophouses along Bussorah Mall in the Kampong Glam Conservation Area.
- 2 Located within the 'core area' of the Kampong Glam Conservation Area, 32 units of shophouses within the 3 street blocks as marked in the plan were carefully restored by URA in 1998 to their original architecture. This include the original 1st storey façades, among which 13 units are with timber pivoted shutters, which are unique to Kampong Glam and are the only ones left in Singapore. The shophouses were subsequently sold between 2002 and 2003 with the tender conditions requiring the restored 1st storey facades to be retained.
- Thus, owners who intend to carry out addition and alteration to the conservation shophouses located within the attached Street Block Plan will have to retain their original 1st storey facades, according to the "Specific Facade Restoration Guidelines" for the respective building. Plans are to be submitted to the Competent Authority for approval before carrying out any works. The "Specific Facade Restoration Guidelines" are available for sale at the Customer Service Centre, 1st Storey, The URA Centre at 45 Maxwell Road.
- I would appreciate it if you could convey the content of this circular to relevant members of your organisation. If you and your members have any conservation queries concerning this circular, please do not hesitate to call our Conservation Enquiry Hotline at Tel: 6329 3355 or e-mail us at URA_CON@ura.gov.sg. For any other development control queries, please call the DCD Customer Service Hotline at Tel: 6223 4811 or e-mail to URA_CSO@ura.gov.sg.
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