

# *Interviews*

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you die here.“*

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### **Alfred Rohr, Im Sträler 9**

*„I live here since 1977. Since I've been here there have been some adjustments at Strähler 3-11. They did renovations like a ventilated facade, new kitchens, windows, lavabos or toilets. The added value here is that the exhaust air escapes to the outside above the stove. The granite cover is also new, before it was chrome steel. “*

*„I live on the 4th floor. The attic apartments used to be too expensive for us. “*

*„Contact with neighbors used to be stronger than today. Back then, 11 children from our block went to kindergarten together. Everyone knew each other.*

*„There are many changes among the tenants. There are also more and more shared apartments. Also many older people live here. “*

*„The green spaces are wonderful. I used to go to the playground with my grandson. The flat area above the garage is used for playing soccer.*

*In winter, children sled on the hills here, which is a hit. It's not completely even. “*

*„The amount of the unused parking slots has increased. Most old people no longer have a car. “*

*„Public transport is very good. Also stores, schools and kindergartens are nearby. “*

*„The wooden floors are extremely clairaudient. The noise insulation is not so good “*

*„The elevators are not practical. They always stop in between floors instead of in front of the front door. You still have to walk a staircase. When my father was still alive, I could barely carry him into my apartment in his wheelchair. “*

*„I would renovate the floors and remove the thresholds to make it even. The front doors are also old. Maybe one could think about combine the toilet with the bathroom. The windows are very good. I also like the radiators - you can dry something on them. “*

*„Because the Luzernerstrasse was planned, the owners were not interested in this block. That is why it was bought by the Credit Suisse. “*



### **Mrs. Gut, Im Sträler 38**

*„I’ve been living here for 50 years. My apartment still looks the way it was built. But the service is good, the houses have their own craftsmen. When there are new owners, small alterations are made.“*

*„The apartments are well maintained. If something is broken, someone comes immediately. If sold, it is checked.“*

*„It’s so beautiful to live on the 7th floor. I’m high above and look over a green sea of trees.“*

*„In the past, you weren’t allowed on the green areas. Today, the biodiversity is higher and it suddenly has flowers. The janitor mows around those flowers, so that then there are beautiful islands with daisies. At some point, the whole area will surely become a flower meadow.“*

*„It’s so beautiful how the light shines in. I have sunlight in the morning and in the evening.“*

*„Changes started about 18 years ago: Many old people leave, young people come. You see each other at aperos, but rather rarely. A bit more contact would be great.“*

*„In the past, the contact between the neighbours was better.“*

*„When the Migros car used to come by, that was great. I’m no longer good on my feet.“*

*„One big mistake was made during construction: the elevator does not stop on the etages, but in between.“*



### **Karl Friedrich Freitag, Im Sträler 19**

*„I’ve been living here for 21 years. When we moved in, my wife died shortly after.“*

*„I live here as a tenant. I pay my rent to the owners. Many years ago I used to get a lot of silly looks because I’m „just“ a tenant.*

*„The flats have been renovated often. Depending on what the owners wanted to have done.“*

*„In the end it is a question of price, at that time there were less attic apartments. In each block only 3.“*

*„Some of the apartments are passed on to the children. The ownership structure blocks demolition of the buildings.“*

*„Everyone lives for themselves here. The typical Swiss way!“*

*„Many older people like me continue to rent their garages to younger generations.“*

*„Nothing happens to the buildings because of this ownership structure. Demolition is impossible.“*

*„When you bought an apartment, it automatically came with a parking space.“*

*„Many flats no longer look the way they were built.“*

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