



The ninth episode of the TV series "Mirror of Power" deals with the issue of Novi Sad town (un)planning. Images of city areas show that not much attention is paid to the look or the arrangement of certain neighborhoods. However, what the Department of City Development has to say about that? That there is urban disorder brought into practice confirms the fact that during the last few years, the so-called detailed regulatory plans have been constantly changing, while for the past 10 years, over 200 of them have been adopted. Whether such changes are necessary due to modifications in the field and why the plans have been changed so often is the question we asked Tatjana Gasevic from the Department of City Development. The answers to this question were sought also at the Museum of Contemporary Art Novi Sad and at the NGO Transparency Serbia.

The tenth episode of the TV series "Mirror of Power" tackles the issue of public officials not being ready to make available information to citizens on how is the public money spent. When the Center for Non-Profit Sector Development requested the information on donations to non-government organizations from 167 cities and municipalities in Serbia, the Commissioner for Information of Public Importance had to arbitrate in one third of cases. The Belgrade municipality Rakovica was even obliged to pay 2 fines amounting 200.000 RSD for failing to provide citizens with requested information, as an obligation imposed by the Law on Free Access to Information of Public Importance.

The eleventh episode - Members of the Nis Symphonic Orchestra Managing and Supervisory Boards question their purpose and role, since the acting director of the orchestra does not comply with their decisions. In the eleventh episode of the series, you will find out why the Nis City Assembly has been dragging its feet in solving this problem. Cedomir Cupic, from the Anti-Corruption Agency, speaks for the program, warning of the obvious arbitrariness in this case.

The fourteenth episode of the TV series "Mirror of Power" was recorded in Majdanpek and it deals with the following: The decision of the City of Majdanpek's Community Council in 2006 introduced a voluntary tax (self-contribution). This decision stipulates the deduction of 2 percent from monthly salaries of employees at public entities. The decision also provides for this tax to be valid until June this year, by which time 32 million dinars should be collected. Despite the fact that the designated amount was raised back in 2008, this personal contribution tax is still, however, charged. Why is it so - is one of the questions that the president of the City's Local Community Gorcilo Potpara and Majdanpek Mayor Dragan Popovic answer in this episode. Whether the law has been violated in this case and how, is the question that we asked the Ombudsman Sasa Jankovic and Verica Barac from the Anti-Corruption Council.

The fifteenth episode of the TV series "Mirror of Power" was recorded in Leskovac and it deals with the following: The Leskovac Municipality has given the London-based City of London College the permission to use the local Army Hall for a period of 25 years. The municipality had previously bought off the Hall from the Serbian Army in a compensation of 22 apartments and 2 pieces of construction land, estimated 1.2 million Euros by the Ministry of Defense. The city Mayor Slobodan Kocic was asked why this college had been selected, and what was the method followed in that selection, as well as whether the municipality had

suffered the loss in that transaction. The representatives of the opposition in this town were also asked the same questions. Since the citizens have had no say in this decision, we asked Zlatko Minic from the Anti-corruption Agency about whether citizens could do something about it and what that would be.

The seventeenth episode - As of January 2011, all 17 Belgrade municipalities have been required, by the Law on Free Access to Information of Public Importance, to publish the Informatory of Conduct on their official internet presentations. This obligation has also been imposed by the recent Directive of the Commissioner for Information of Public Importance, which clarifies in detail the content of the Informatory. This episode of the TV series “Mirror of Power” looks into this issue by investigating which municipalities have breached this obligation by failing to publish this document, very important for the transparent work of the authorities.