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RESIDENTS of Taman Melawati, Ampang in Kuala Lumpur, are not ready to give up on their promised centralised park despite the Selangor government's plan to turn the site into a convention centre.

Plans for the proposed park, dubbed Central Park, was scrapped to make way for a convention centre on a 1.4ha land along Jalan Bandar 12.

Fed up with non-committal answers from Selangor Mentri Besar Datuk Seri Azmin Ali and the Ampang Jaya Municipal Council (MPAJ), residents said they would bring the matter to the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC).

Taman Melawati Residents Association (TMRA) Zone ABC chairman Razman Hakimi Abdullah said they would file a report with MACC over the proposed construction of the convention centre.

"We will file the report at MACC next week.

"We will also submit our objection to the project with the Selangor State Planning committee on the sudden decision to build the convention centre without due process," he said after the association's annual general meeting.

Razman said as a last resort, the residents were prepared to go to court over the matter, adding some 25 owners of units at Sereni Melawati and Gaya would be filing complaints with the Consumer Claims Tribunal.

"We will not stop until we get our answer," he said.

During a meeting between residents on Sept 20, MPAJ president Abdul Hamid Abdul Hussain had said there would still be a park for the community on the piece of land in addition to another site next to Sereni Melawati.

He said the convention centre was expected to be built at a cost of about RM25mil.

"The amount includes a provisional sum of RM1mil that will be used for the park surrounding the convention centre.

"Implementation of the project will begin between December 2017 and January 2018 for a two-year construction period, tentatively alongside development of the park near Sereni Melawati," he said.



Razman addressing concerns raised by residents during Taman Melawati Residents Association's annual general meeting.

