

# Community Services Commission



## CENTRAL PARK – RAPTOR FORAGING HABITAT MITIGATION SITE

January 13, 2016

# STATEMENT OF ISSUE

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- ✘ Per the Master Plan of Recreational Uses for Central Park and SEIR #07-002, there is a need to address Mitigation Measure (MM) 4.3-2 due to the construction of the Senior Center and the potential construction of a permanent parking lot adjacent to the Shipley Nature Center.

# STATEMENT OF ISSUE

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- ✘ The Community Services Department is requesting approval for:
  - + Raptor foraging habitat mitigation site in Central Park
  - + Update to the Master Plan of Recreational Uses for Central Park

## MITIGATION MEASURE (MM) 4.3-2

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- ✘ **Impact:** Development of the proposed project would have a substantial adverse impact to raptor foraging habitat.

## MITIGATION MEASURE (MM) 4.3-2

- ✘ The City shall mitigate for impacts to raptor foraging habitat through dedication as open space, conservation and/or enhancing areas of raptor foraging habitat at a ratio of 1:1 for acres of impact on raptor foraging habitat to provide suitable habitat values and functions for raptors. Mitigation for impacts on raptor foraging habitat will be accomplished within suitable areas that are City-owned and preferable nearby, such as the areas in association with the Sully Miller Lake Group Facility, Low Intensity Recreation Area, Semi-Active Recreation Area, and/or Midden Area/Urban Forest/Trailhead. Enhancement would include, but not be limited to, the planting of native trees within and adjacent to conserved areas of raptor foraging habitat. Prior to ground disturbance, the City shall identify the particular site or area to be enhanced and shall formulate a plan to accomplish the raptor foraging habitat enhancement activities. This plan shall be reviewed for approval by qualified biologist.

# AERIAL VIEW OF CENTRAL PARK



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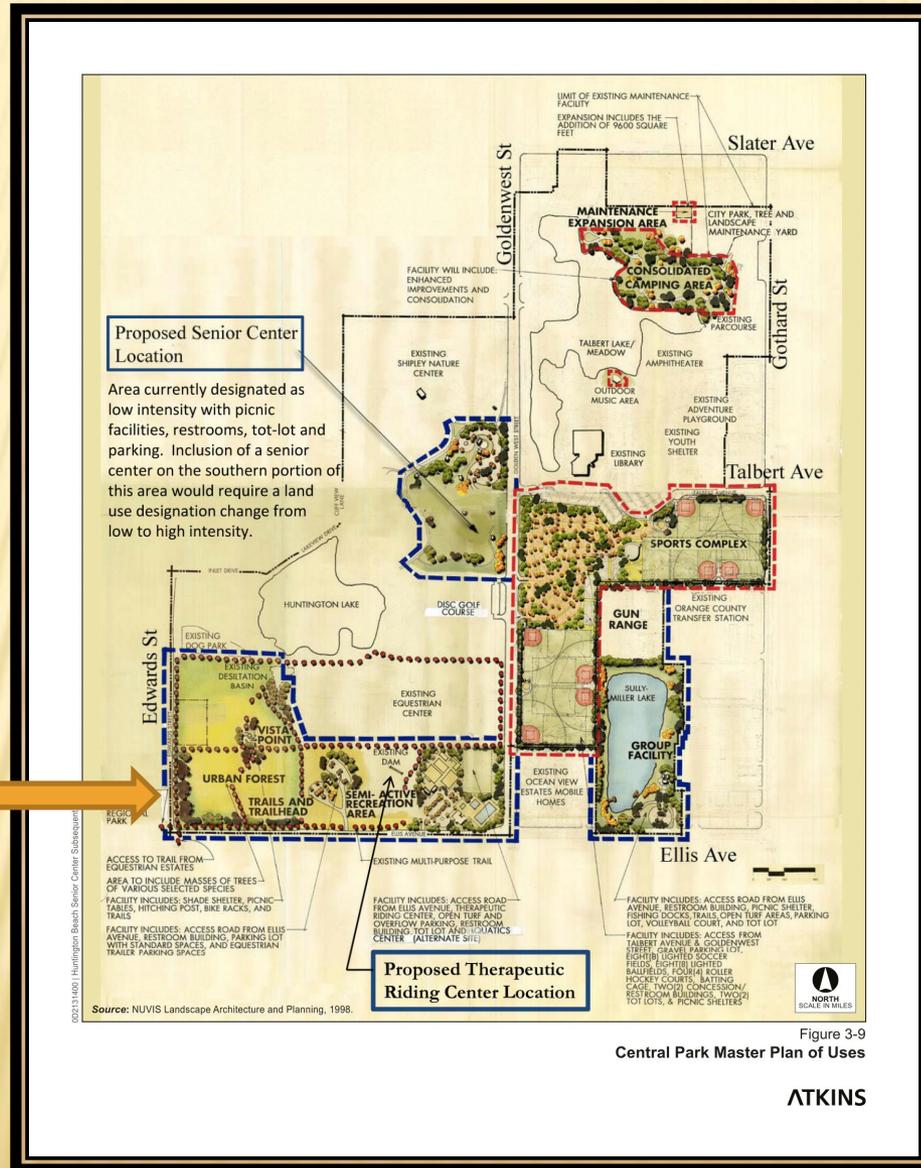


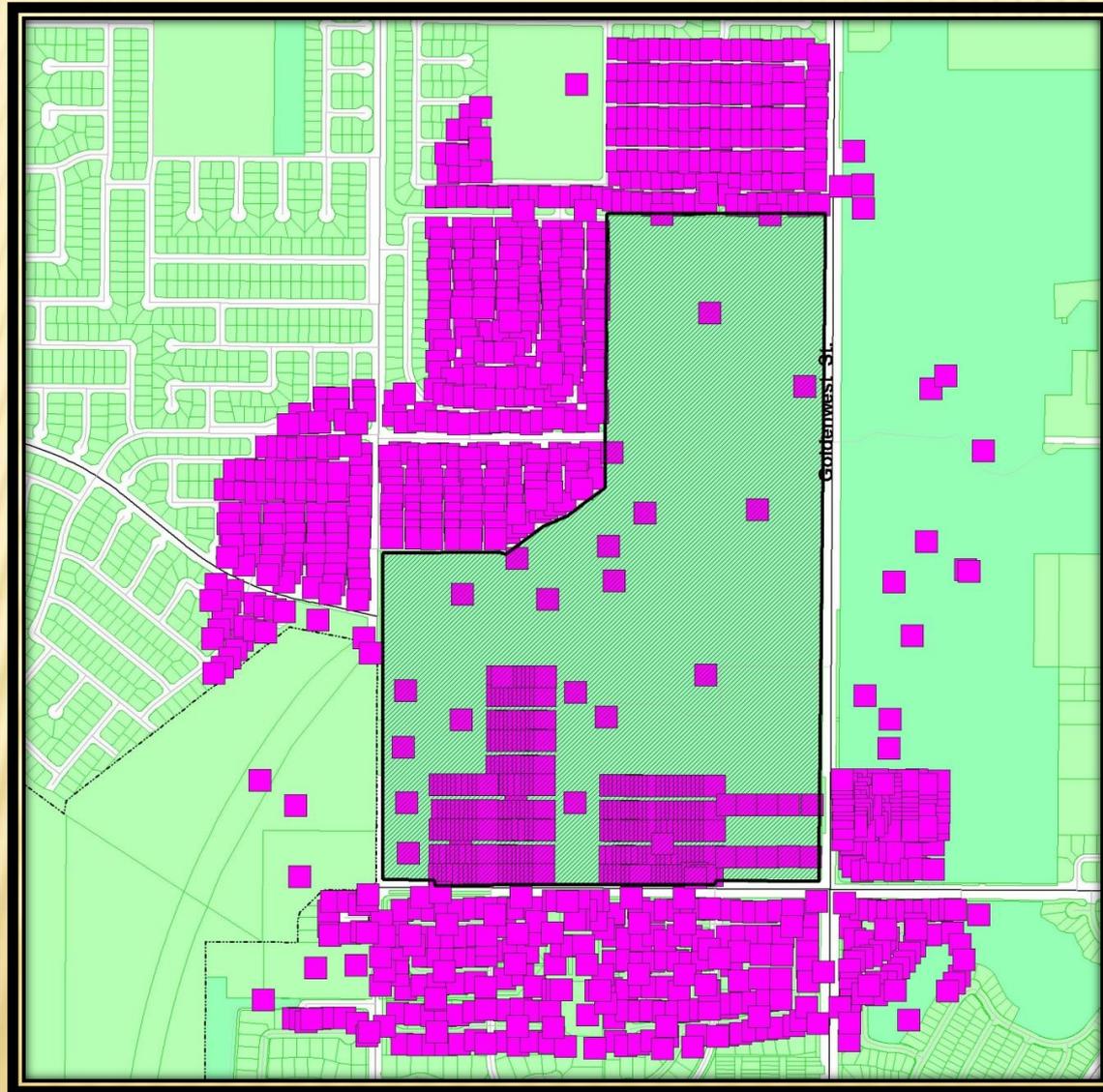
Figure 3-9  
Central Park Master Plan of Uses

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# LOCATION MAP



# NOTIFICATION AREA (1,000' FROM PARK BOUNDARY)



# PERMANENT PARKING LOT AREA

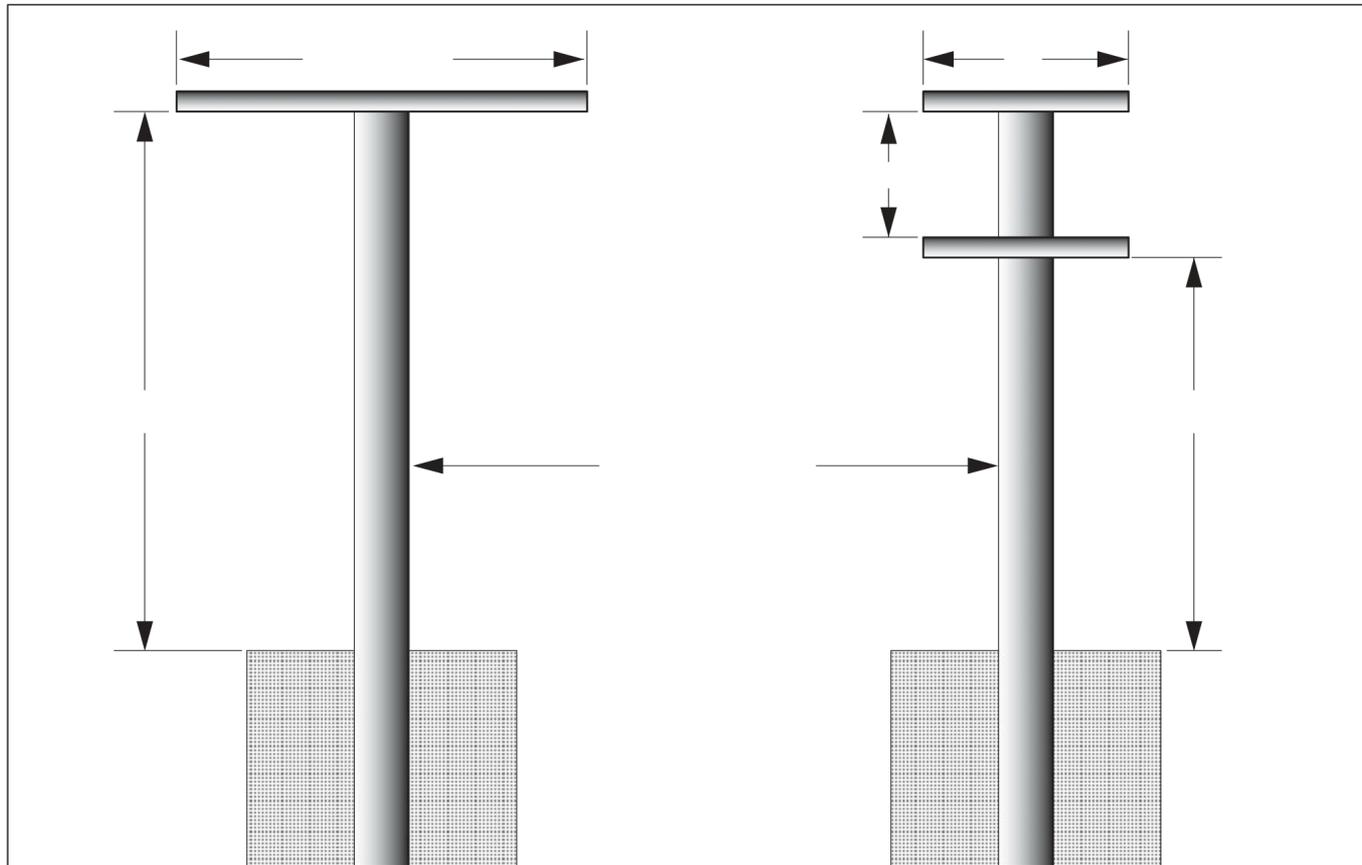


# RAPTOR FORAGING HABITAT AREA



7.5 Acres

# PERCH POLES



Source: PBS&J, 2008.

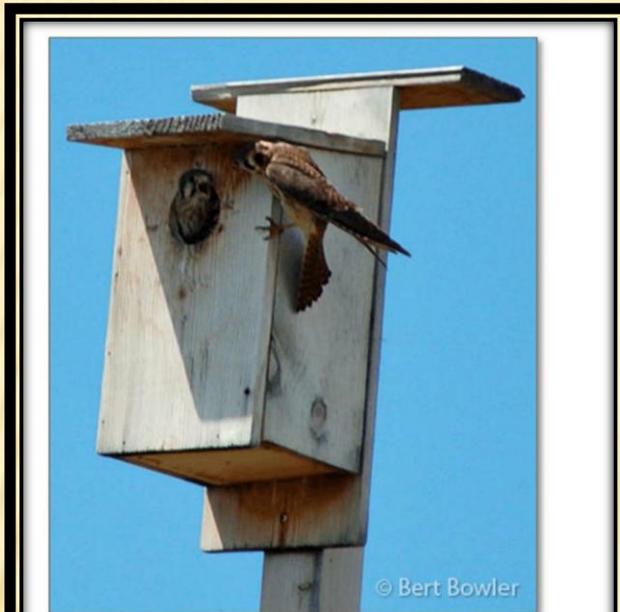


Exhibit 3  
Diagram of Raptor Perch Pole

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Huntington Beach Raptor Mitigation Plan

# NEST BOXES



American Kestrel Box



American Kestrel Box



Barn Owl Box



Barn Owl Box

# RECOMMENDED ACTION

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- ✘ Approve the use of approximately 7.5 acres of the open space area that is south of the Dog Park and west of the Equestrian Center as a raptor foraging habitat mitigation site.
- ✘ Approve and update the Master Plan of Recreational Uses for Central Park to identify the raptor foraging habitat area as presented.

# RAPTOR FORAGING HABITAT AREA FOR SENIOR CENTER BUILDING, SENIOR CENTER PARKING LOT, & DRIVEWAY



6.5 Acres