# CITY OF LINCOLN
# 2026 SPECIAL MEETING - CITY COUNCIL / LINCOLN REDEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR AGENCY / LINCOLN PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY
# April 20, 2026

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## -COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA-

3:00 PM

**Mayor Richard Pearl**
**Mayor Pro Tem Whitney Eklund** **Councilmember Holly Andreatta**
**Councilmember Ben Brown** **Councilmember John Reedy**

**City Hall (Extremely Limited Seating Capacity)**
**1st Floor Community Conference Room**
**600 Sixth Street**
**Lincoln, CA 95648**

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## EXECUTIVE TEAM

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| Jennifer Brown, Chief Innovation & Tech. Officer | Vin Cay, City Engineer |
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## 1. CALL TO ORDER

## 2. ROLL CALL

## 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## 4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS WITHIN THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE COUNCIL *

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## 5. DISCUSSION ITEM

5.A Open Space Policy Discussion (Sean Scully)

## 6. ADJOURNMENT

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# STAFF REPORT

Item Number 5.A

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**SUBJECT:** Open Space Policy Discussion (Sean Scully)

**SUBMITTED BY:** City Clerk

**DEPARTMENT:** City Manager's Office

**DATE:** April 20, 2026

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**BACKGROUND/INTRODUCTION:**

On March 5th 2008 the City of Lincoln adopted the Lincoln General Plan 2050 document. The General Plan serves as a long-term policy guide for physical, economic, and environmental growth. It provides for the community's vision of the City's ultimate growth. Since that time the organization has followed the document's vision for current and future growth areas. Large Village areas have been annexed into City limits and various development projects have begun providing new residential and commercial opportunities.

Each General Plan is required (by law) to have a section that addresses "Open Space". Broadly, the requirement to include open space as a land use consideration is designed across a few categories including but not limited to:
Preservation of Natural Resources
Managed Production of Resources (e.g. agricultural etc)
Outdoor Recreation
Public Health and Safety
Lincoln's General Plan has far more specific goals and associated implementation measures that were designed specifically to address Lincoln's unique geography and land use goals. Those are attached to the staff report for reference.

Within the past year the City of Lincoln has had some preliminary discussions about the detail of those implementation policies and goals and whether the policies should be reviewed for current development climate and conditions. Specifically, Implementation Measure 3.0 (Section 7.3, Table 7-1 attached) states "The City shall establish a mitigation fee for habitat preservation and replacement. Within the Village Areas, the inclusion of 40 percent open space could provide adequate mitigation for habitat."

The application of the 40% requirement has long been a topic of discussion on virtually every project of scale that attempts to develop in Lincoln. The recent discussions have primarily revolved around the manner in which the 40% project is applied practically. Open Space can take many different forms (e.g. Sun City open space versus areas with more flat topography). Some areas of open space in Lincoln have very limited public access/amenities while others are more active recreational resources to the surrounding community.

The purpose of this workshop is to gain a better understanding of how staff attempt to apply this requirement to projects. After a common understanding is established, the Council may choose to explore whether more specific standards or edits could be made to the very broad currently policy.

A few areas for potential consideration could be:
Does the 40% open space requirement still make sense as currently required? If not, how should it be amended and under what circumstances?
Should the definition of what is considered as open space be more granular?
Should there be tiers are types of acceptable open space, for example, should open space that provides real ecological AND recreational opportunities be accepted as meeting the standard versus open space types that only meet one of those criteria?
How can the City incentivize open space development that meets a more active use criteria while still protecting natural and sensitive habitat?

Open Space as a general concept should also be viewed through the frame of partnerships with neighboring and regional agencies (adjacent jurisdictions, PCCP, other conservation agencies etc) especially since the General Plan repeatedly mentions coordination of open space with other portions of open space that may not be within incorporated City limits. An example of this would be the open space that interconnects with the natural waterway and creek systems that pass-through Lincoln.

Based on the contents of the workshop and Council's subsequent discussion staff will work to provide some draft amendments, if requested, for the residents, development community, Planning Commission and City Council to review. If substantive changes are directed at some point in the future the City will likely have to amend the General Plan document which is allowed under state law four times yearly.

**ATTACHMENTS:**
open space map.pdf

Chapter 7 Open Space Element.pdf

1 Brookview Estates Open Space Preserve
2 Foskett Ranch Open Space Preserve
3 Joiner Park Preserve
4 Lincoln Crossing Open Space Preserve
5 Lincoln Palisades Preserve
6 Markham Ravine Open Space Preserve
7 McBean Park Open Space Preserve
8 Rodeo Grounds Open Space Preserve
9 Sorrento 150 Open Space Preserve (Future)
10 Sterling Point Open Space Preserve
11 Sun City Lincoln Hills Open Space (Not City Owned)
12 Three-D South Open Space Preserve
13 Twelve Bridges Open Space Preserve

## Preserves

Open space preserves are located throughout the City of Lincoln and provide homes for many plants and animals. Preserves are unique in that they have native plant communities that have taken a long time to adapt and become established.
These plant communities help grow and maintain the animal populations which include mallards, red-winged hawks, frogs, jackrabbits, and beavers.

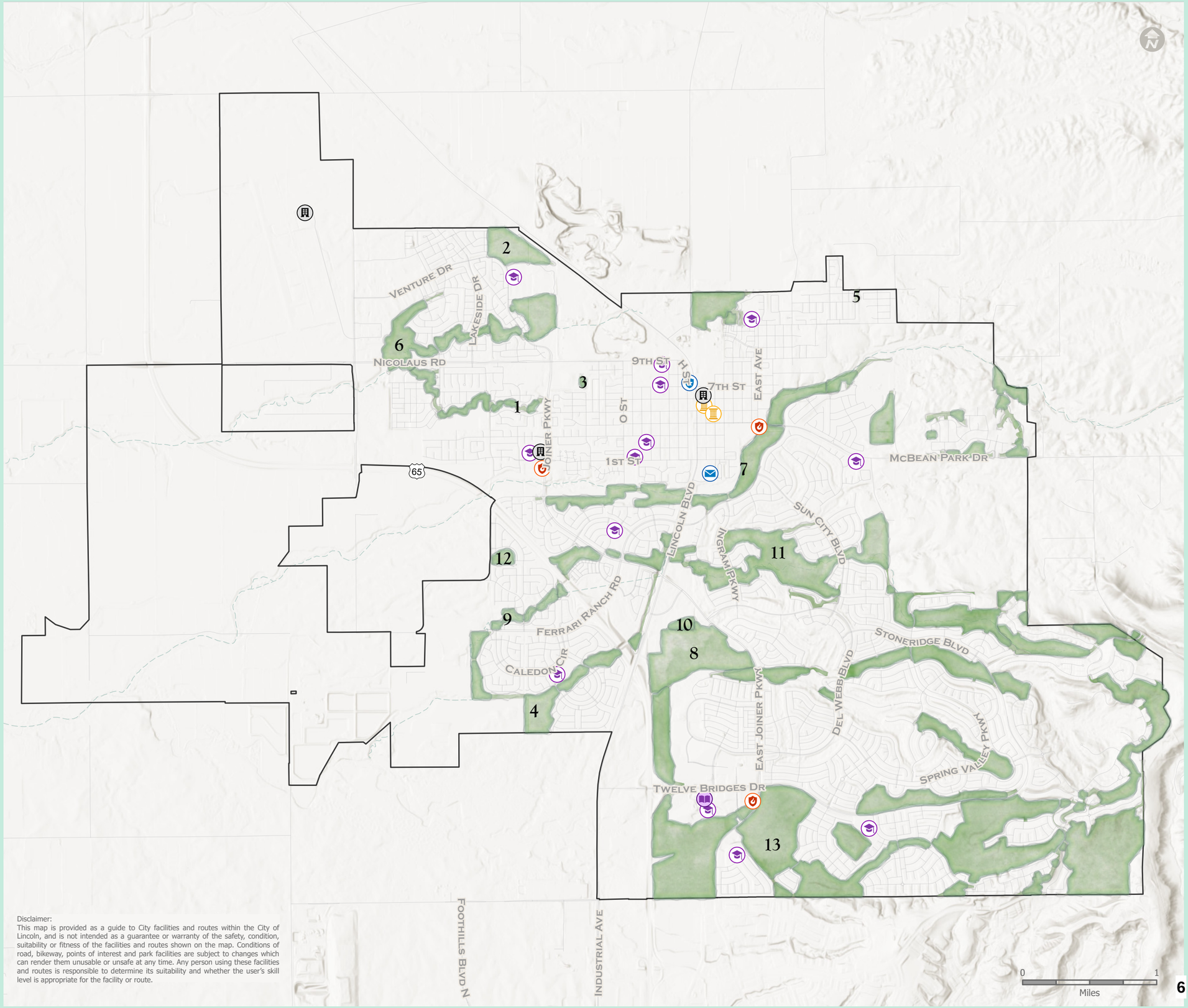
## Etiquette

- All dogs must be on a leash while in public spaces; including open space preserve areas.
- While in preserve areas, pedestrians, pets, and bicyclist should stay on designated trails.
- Do not pick flowers or other vegetation from open space preserves.

For more information visit https://www.lincolnca.gov/parks-recreation-and-activities/parks-fields-and-trails/trails-and-open-spaces/.

## Legend

- Art and Culture
- School
- Post Office
- Fire Station
- Police Station
- Library
- City Facility
- Open Space Preserve




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# Open Space & Conservation Element

## 7.1 Introduction

The purpose of the Open Space and Conservation Element is to protect and enhance the natural and cultural resources that make the City of Lincoln unique. This element contains goals, policies, and programs designed to address agricultural resources, energy resources, water resources, biological resources, cultural resources, open space, and recreation.

## 7.2 Goals and Policies

### General

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| **Goal OSC-1** | To designate, protect, and encourage natural resources, open space, and recreation lands in the city, protect and enhance a significant system of interconnected natural habitat areas, and provide opportunities for recreation activities to meet citizen needs. |

***Policy OSC-1.1*** ***Protect Natural Resources***

The City shall strive to protect natural resource areas, fish and wildlife habitat areas, scenic areas, open space areas and parks from encroachment or destruction by incompatible development.

***Policy OSC-1.2*** ***Coordinate with Placer County for Open Space Preservation***
The City shall coordinate with Placer County and their Placer Legacy program to ensure City issues are incorporated into future plans.

***Policy OSC-1.3*** ***Creation of Buffers***
In new development areas, the City shall encourage the use of open space or recreational buffers between incompatible land uses.

***Policy OSC-1.4*** ***100-year Floodplains***
The city will apply open space designations to all lands located within the l00 year floodway as shown on the FIRM panel or as determined by a project drainage plan and approved by the City Engineer/Director of Public Works; The City will also apply open space designations to all 100-year floodplain fringe areas, and/or remaining floodplain fringe areas as determined by a project drainage plan identifying floodplain fringe encroachment areas, and quantifying their impact along with other improvements to show a zero (0) net impact to the upstream, downstream and adjacent properties. Open space designations will apply to all land located within a minimum of 50 feet from the center channel of all perennial and intermittent streams and creeks providing natural drainage, and to areas consisting of riparian habitat. In designating these areas as open space, the city is preserving natural resources and protecting these areas from development.

***Policy OSC-1.5*** ***Protection of Minerals***
The City will protect mineral resources such as groundwater, clay deposits, as well as groundwater recharge areas from urban development.

***Policy OSC-1.6*** ***Soil Erosion***
The City shall require new development to implement measures that minimize soil erosion from wind and water related to construction. Measures may include, but not be limited to the following:

- Grading requirements that limit grading to the amount necessary to provide stable areas for structural foundations, street rights-of-way, parking facilities, or other intended uses; and/or

- Construction techniques that utilize site preparation, grading, and best management practices that provide erosion and sediment control to prevent construction-related contaminants from leaving development sites and polluting local waterways.

***Policy OSC-1.7*** ***Soil Erosion and Site Planning***
The City shall require all development to minimize soil erosion by maintaining compatible land uses suitable building designs and appropriate construction techniques. Contour grading, where appropriate, and revegetation shall be required to mitigate the appearance of engineered slopes and to control erosion.

## Agricultural Resources

| Goal OSC-2 | To cooperate with Placer County in preserving agricultural operations which are located outside the City's planning boundaries. |
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***Policy OSC-2.1*** ***Agricultural Buffers***
The City will provide for open space or other appropriate buffers, to protect agricultural operations located adjacent to the City planning boundaries, when reviewing land use plans for such areas.

***Policy OSC-2.2*** ***Agricultural Disclosures***
The City will require that developers of residential projects, which are within general proximity of agricultural operations in the County, provide notification to new homeowners within their deeds, of the County's right to farm ordinance.

***Policy OSC-2.3*** ***Coordinate with Neighboring City / County Agricultural Objectives***
The City shall support policies adopted by neighboring cities and Placer County to promote the viability of agriculture the county.

## Energy Resources

| Goal OSC-3 | To encourage energy conservation in new and existing developments throughout the City. |
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***Policy OSC-3.1*** ***Energy Conservation Measures***
The City shall require the use of energy conservation features in new construction and renovation of existing structures in accordance with state law.

New features that may be applied to construction and renovation include:

- Green building techniques (such as use of recycled, renewable, and reused materials; efficient lighting / power sources; design orientation; building techniques; etc.)
- Cool roofs

***Policy OSC-3.2*** ***Landscape Improvements for Energy Conservation***
The City shall encourage the planting of shade trees along all City streets to reduce radiation heating.

***Policy OSC-3.3*** ***Promote Energy Conservation Awareness***
The City shall coordinate with local utility providers to provide public education energy conservation programs.

***Policy OSC-3.4*** ***Local and State Programs***
The City will participate to the extent feasible in local and state programs that strive to reduce the consumption of natural or man-made energy sources.

***Policy OSC-3.5*** ***Minimize Land Conflicts***
The City shall require that new extractive operations are designed to provide a buffer between existing or likely adjacent uses to minimize incompatibility with nearby sites and adequately mitigate their environmental and aesthetic impacts. The City shall also ensure adequate buffers are included for existing operations (i.e., Gladding-McBean mine and operational areas) that protect the continued operations of the mine and future residents.

***Policy OSC-3.6*** ***Existing Clay Operations***
The City shall not permit incompatible land uses within the impact area of existing and potential mineral extraction activities (i.e., Gladding-McBean).

***Policy OSC-3.7*** ***Passive and Active Solar Devices***
The City shall encourage the use of passive and active solar devices such as solar collectors, solar cells, and solar heating systems into the design of local buildings.

***Policy OSC-3.8*** ***Solar Orientation and Building Site Design***
The City shall encourage work that building and site design take into account the solar orientation of buildings during design and construction.

***Policy OSC-3.9*** ***Shade Tree Planting***
The City will encourage the planting of shade trees within residential lots to reduce radiation heating and encourage the reduction of greenhouse gases.

***Policy OSC-3.10*** ***Shade Tree Parking Lot Requirements***
The City will require commercial and retail parking lots will have 50% tree shading within 15 years to reduce radiation and encourage the reduction of greenhouse gases.

***Policy OSC-3.11*** ***Energy Efficient Buildings***
The City will encourage the development of energy-efficient buildings and communities.

***Policy OSC-3.12*** ***Solar Photovoltaic Systems***
The City will promote voluntary participation in incentive programs to increase the use of solar photovoltaic systems in new and existing residential, commercial, institutional and public buildings.

***Policy OSC-3.13*** ***Energy Efficient Master Planning***
The City will encourage the incorporation of energy-efficient site design such as proper orientation to benefit from passive solar heating and cooling into master planning efforts when feasible.

***Policy OSC-3.14 Early Planning for Energy Efficiency***
The City will include energy planners and energy efficiency specialists in appropriate pre-application discussions with property owners and developers to identify the potential for solar orientation and energy efficient systems, building practices and materials.

***Policy OSC-3.15 California Title 24 Energy Efficiency Standards***
The City will explore offering incentives such as density bonus, expedited process, fee reduction/waiver to property owners and developers who exceed California Title 24 energy efficiency standards.

## Water Resources

| Goal OSC-4 | To preserve and enhance local streams, creeks, and aquifers. |
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***Policy OSC-4.1 Identify and Protect Aquifers***
The City will protect local aquifers and water recharge areas.

***Policy OSC-4.2 Develop Groundwater Management Plan***
The City shall develop and periodically update a groundwater management plan to protect local aquifers.

***Policy OSC-4.3 Protect Surface Water and Groundwater***
The City shall ensure that new development projects do not degrade surface water and groundwater.

***Policy OSC-4.4 Protection and Management of Flood Plains***
The City shall encourage the protection of 100 year floodplains and where appropriate, obtain public easements for purposes of flood protection, public safety, wildlife preservation, groundwater recharge, access and recreation.

***Policy OSC-4.5 Use of Reclaimed Water***
The City shall encourage the use of reclaimed water, in place of treated potable water for landscaping and other suitable applications.

***Policy OSC-4.6 Best Management Practices***
The City shall continue to require the use of feasible and practical best management practices (BMPs) to protect surface water and groundwater from the adverse effects of construction activities and urban runoff. Additionally, The City shall require, as part of its Storm Water NPDES Permit and ordinances, to implement the Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) during construction activities for any improvement projects, new development and redevelopment projects for reducing pollutants to the maximum extent practicable.

***Policy OSC-4.7*** ***Landscape Irrigation***

The City shall explore the possibility of using reclaimed water to irrigate new commercial developments and new areas with large landscape areas. In areas where reclaimed water can be provided in the future, the City shall require landscape irrigation to be installed so that the system could be used with reclaimed water. The City shall also explore the use of industrial process water for landscape irrigation provided that it meets City standards for irrigation.

## Biological Resources

| Goal OSC-5 | To preserve and protect existing biological resources including both wildlife and vegetative habitat. |
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***Policy OSC-5.1*** ***Protect Significant Vegetation***

The City shall support the preservation of heritage oaks and threatened or endangered vegetative habitat from destruction. A heritage oak shall be defined as a tree with a diameter of 36 inches measured at a point 4.5 feet above grade level (i.e., diameter at breast height or DBH).

***Policy OSC-5.2*** ***Management of Wetlands***

The City shall support the management of wetland and riparian plant communities for passive recreation, groundwater recharge, and wildlife habitats. Such communities shall be restored or expanded, where possible and as appropriate.

***Policy OSC-5.3*** ***Placer Legacy Open Space and Conservation Program***

The City will continue to coordinate with Placer County and the Placer Legacy Open Space and Conservation Program to protect habitat areas that support endangered species and other special-status species.

***Policy OSC-5.4*** ***Encourage Planting of Native Vegetation***

The City shall encourage the planting of native trees, shrubs, and grasslands in order to preserve the visual integrity of the landscape, provide habitat conditions suitable for native vegetation, and ensure that a maximum number and variety of well-adapted plants are maintained.

***Policy OSC-5.5*** ***New Development in Sensitive Areas***

The City shall require that new development in areas that are known to have particular value for biological resources be carefully planned and where possible avoided so that the value of existing sensitive vegetation and wildlife habitat can be maintained.

***Policy OSC-5.6*** ***No Net Loss of Wetlands***

The City will maintain a policy of no net loss of wetlands on a project-by-project basis, which may include an entire specific plan area. For the purpose of identifying such wetlands, the City will accept a map delineating wetlands which has been accepted by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers pursuant to

Section 404 of the Clean Water Act of 1972. The term "no net loss" may include mitigation implemented through participation in an off-site mitigation bank or similar mitigation mechanism acceptable to the City and permitting agencies.

***Policy OSC-5.7 404 Permit Requirements***

The City may require project proponents to obtain 404 Permits, and prepare mitigation plans for, or provide for the avoidance, preservation, and maintenance of identified wetlands prior to submitting applications for land use entitlements.

***Policy OSC-5.8 Corps of Engineers Disclaimers***

The City may, but need not, accept a Corps of Engineers disclaimer of any jurisdiction over the project of a Corps of Engineers 404 permit as the City's own plan for the achievement of a project's no net loss of wetlands.

***Policy OSC-5.9 Wetlands Dedication***

All preserved wetlands shall be dedicated to the City or a non-profit organization acceptable to the City and preserved through perpetual covenants enforceable by the City or other appropriate agencies, to ensure their maintenance and survival. With respect to areas dedicated to the City, acceptance shall be conditioned upon establishment of a lighting and landscaping district or other public or private funding mechanisms acceptable to the City.

***Policy OSC-5.10 Native Vegetation for Landscaping***

The City shall develop a list of native vegetation to be used as a landscape pallet for use within open space / preserve areas. Native plants should also be incorporated into plant palettes used in developed areas by citizens and developers.

***Policy OSC-5.11 Requirement for Biological Studies***

Prior to project (i.e., specific plan or individual project) approval, the City shall require a biological study to be prepared by a qualified biologist for any proposed development within areas that contain a moderate to high potential for sensitive habitat. As appropriate, the study shall include the following activities: (1) inventory species listed in the California Native Plant Society Manual of California Vegetation, (2) inventory species identified by the USFWS and CDFG, (3) inventory special status species listed in the California NDDB, and (4) field survey of the project site by a qualified biologist.

***Policy OSC-5.12 Appropriate Mitigation Measures***

The City shall consider using appropriate mitigation measures for future projects (i.e., specific plans or individual projects) based on mitigation standards or protocols adopted by the applicable statute or agency (e.g., USFWS, CDFG, etc.) with jurisdiction over any affected sensitive habitats or special status species.

***Policy OSC-5.13 Minimize Lighting Impacts***

The City shall ensure that lighting in residential areas and along roadways shall be designed to prevent artificial lighting from reflecting into adjacent natural or open space areas.

## Cultural Resources

| Goal OSC-6 | To preserve and protect existing archaeological, historical, and paleontological resources for their cultural values. |
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***Policy OSC-6.1 Evaluation of Historic Resources***

The City shall use appropriate State and Federal Standards in evaluating the significance of historical resources that are identified in the City.

***Policy OSC-6.2 Historic Structures and Sites***

The City shall support public and private efforts to preserve, rehabilitate, and continue the use of historic structures, sites, and districts. Where applicable, preservation efforts shall conform to the current Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties and Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Building.

***Policy OSC-6.3 Archaeological Resources***

The City shall support efforts to protect and/or recover archaeological resources.

***Policy OSC-6.4 Historical Resources Inventory***

The City shall prepare a historical resources inventory and use State and Federal Standards in evaluating historical resources for their significance.

***Policy OSC-6.5 Mitigation Monitoring for Historical Resources***

The City shall develop standards for monitoring of mitigation measures established for the protection of historical resources prior to development.

***Policy OSC-6.6 State Historic Building Code***

The City shall establish construction standards for the protection of historic resources during development and use the State Historic Building Code for designated properties.

***Policy OSC-6.7 Discovery of Archaeological / Paleontological Resources***

In the event that archaeological / paleontological resources are discovered during ground disturbing activities, the City shall required that grading and construction work within 100 feet of the find shall be suspended until the significance of the features can be determined by a qualified professional archaeologist / paleontologist as appropriate. The City will require that a qualified archeologist / paleontologist make recommendations for measures necessary to protect the find; or to undertake data recovery, excavation,

analysis, and curation of archaeological / paleontological materials, as appropriate.

***Policy OSC-6.8*** ***Archaeological Resource Surveys***

Prior to project approval, the City shall require project applicant to have a qualified professional archeologist conduct the following activities within the area of potential effects (APE): (1) conduct a record search at the North Central Information Center located at California State University Sacramento and other appropriate historical repositories to determine the extent of previously recorded sites and surveys within the project area, and to develop a historical context within which sites can be evaluated for significance, (2) conduct a field survey to locate, map, and record prehistoric and historic resources, and (3) prepare cultural resource inventory and evaluation reports meeting California Office of Historic Preservation Standards to document the results of the record search and field survey, and to provide significance evaluations and management recommendations for any identified historical resources within the APE.

***Policy OSC-6.9*** ***Native American Resources***

The City shall consult with Native American representatives, including appointed representatives from United Auburn Indian Community, to discuss concerns regarding potential impacts to cultural resources and to identify locations of importance to Native Americans, including archeological sites and traditional cultural properties. Coordination with the Native American Heritage Commission should begin at the onset of the review of a proposed project.

***Policy OSC-6.10*** ***Discovery of Human Remains***

Consistent with CEQA Guidelines (Section 15064.5), if human remains are discovered during project construction, it is necessary to comply with state laws relating to prohibitions on disinterring, disturbing, or removing human remains from any location other than a dedicated cemetery (California Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5). If any human remains are discovered or recognized in any location on the project site, there shall be no further excavation or disturbance of the site or any nearby area reasonably suspected to overlie adjacent human remains until:

A. The Placer County Coroner / Sheriff has been informed and has determined that no investigation of the cause of death is required; and

   If the coroner determines that the remains are of Native American origin,

   1. The coroner shall contact the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) within 24 hours.
   2. The NAHC shall identify the person or persons it believes to be the most likely descendent (MLD) from the deceased Native American.

3. The MLD shall have an opportunity to make a recommendation to the landowner or the person responsible for the excavation work, for means of treating or disposing of, with appropriate dignity, the human remains and any associated grave goods as provided in Public Resources Code Section 5097.98.

B. Native American Heritage Commission was unable to identify a descendant or the descendant failed to make a recommendation within 24 hours after being notified by the commission.

C. The County has notified the United Auburn Indian Community (UAIC) Tribal Council and solicited their input.

## Recreation

| Goal OSC-7 | To provide and maintain park facilities that provide recreational opportunities for all residents. |
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***Policy OSC-7.1*** ***Park Facilities***

The City shall provide park facilities in accordance with following adopted park standards:

| Parks | Standard |
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| Parks without Development Agreements | 5 acres/1,000 residents |
| Parks with Development Agreements | 9 acres/1,000 residents |
| City-wide Park | 3 acres/1,000 residents |
| Neighborhood/Community Park | 3 acres/1,000 residents |
| Open Space | 3 acres/1,000 residents |

Note: 9 acres consist of 6 acres for active recreation and 3 acres for passive recreation. Please see Appendix B for additional information on park requirements.

***Policy OSC-7.2*** ***Recreational Needs***

The City shall provide recreation facilities and programs that meet the needs of all its citizens. Facilities shall be developed in compliance with all applicable regulations designed to address public safety and environmental impacts that may result through the construction, operation, and maintenance of these facilities.

***Policy OSC-7.3*** ***Volunteer Organizations***

The City shall support and cooperate with volunteer groups and organizations that provide recreation activities to young people.

***Policy OSC-7.4*** ***Maintenance of Recreational Facilities***

The City shall support the continued maintenance and improvement of existing recreational facilities.

***Policy OSC-7.5*** ***Funding for Recreational Areas and Facilities***
The City shall strive to make adequate funding available to improve and maintain existing parks as well as construct new facilities.

***Policy OSC-7.6*** ***Dedication of Park Land***
The City will continue to collect park dedication fees, require the dedication of parkland, or a combination of both as a condition of development approval for the provision of new parks, or the rehabilitation of existing parks and recreational facilities in order to meet the City's parkland standards in Policy 7.1

***Policy OSC-7.7*** ***In-Lieu Fees***
The City shall provide for the payment of an in-lieu fee, in those instances where the City determines that park land dedication is not appropriate. The in-lieu fee shall reflect the cost of fully serviced vacant land.

***Policy OSC-7.8*** ***Adopted Park Standards***
The amount and location of any future parkland to be developed within the city will be determined by adopted park standards and location guidelines.

The City shall strive to provide the following recreational facilities:

- One multipurpose center per 10,000 population with the structural square footage to be determined by the City Council based on the evaluation of community needs.
- One 50 meter swimming pool per 10,000 population based upon a determination of the City Council of community needs.
- One mile of pedestrian/bicycle trails per 2,500 population.

***Policy OSC-7.9*** ***Recreational Needs Surveys***
The City shall conduct surveys on a periodic basis to determine specific recreation needs of all age groups, the physically and mentally challenged, and special interest groups.

***Policy OSC-7.10*** ***Park User Fees***
The City will continue to collect park user fees for the maintenance of existing park and recreation facilities.

***Policy OSC-7.11*** ***Capital Improvement Program***
The City will continue to include park and recreation improvement and maintenance projects in its capital improvement programming.

***Policy OSC-7.12*** ***Recreational Equipment***
The City will continue to provide equipment, such as picnic tables, benches, trash cans and drinking fountains, in city parks, and' will adequately maintain or replace such equipment when necessary.

***Policy OSC-7.13 Revitalization Program***

The City will continue its long term revitalization program to beautify and upgrade all city parks.

***Policy OSC-7.14 Lighting and Landscape District***

The City will continue to use the lighting and landscape district to develop and maintain parks.

***Policy OSC-7.15 Maintain Wildlife Habitat Values***

The City shall maintain wildlife habitat values during design and ongoing maintenance of new park facilities through provision of open space and wildlife corridor areas, protection of native vegetation, and control of use of herbicides and pesticides.

***Policy OSC-7.16 Linear Parks and Trail Systems***

The City shall develop linear parks and trail systems along the City's creeks and wetlands, when such improvements are not prohibited by federal and state regulations.

***Policy OSC-7.17 Capital Improvement Fees***

The City will collect a capital facilities fee on new development to generate funding to construct park and recreation improvements in accordance with the requirements set forth in the City's adopted standards.

***Policy OSC-7.18 Park Construction***

The City will strive to have newly dedicated, mini and neighborhood parks, constructed by residential developers in conjunction with their project, such that new residents have immediate access to park facilities.

***Policy OSC-7.19 Pocket Parks***

As part of its urban design concept, the City will utilize the pocket park (approximately 0.25 to 0.50 acre) to establish a passive recreational and social gathering area in neighborhoods where it is deemed appropriate. Such parks are non-credited facilities toward parkland dedication requirements.

***Policy OSC-7.20 Design of Waterway and Trail Corridors***

The City shall design waterway and trail corridors to meet the recreational needs of the community, while maximizing public safety and access concerns. This includes locating trail corridors to ensure visibility along public roadways, where appropriate.

***Policy OSC-7.21 Maintenance of Waterway and Trail Corridors***

The City shall ensure that existing park maintenance activities incorporate applicable trail maintenance activities necessary to address public safety issues along City-owned trail areas. Trail maintenance activities shall be conducted in a manner consistent with all applicable environmental regulations and shall ensure emergency vehicle access along portions of the trail corridor where appropriate. Trail maintenance measures shall include, but not be limited to, vegetation or brush clearing and signage prohibiting inappropriate uses.

## 7.3 Implementation Measures

Table 7-1, Open Space and Conservation Implementation Measures, identifies the implementation measures the City should take to implement the goals and policies of this General Plan. The implementation program lists each specific implementation measure, a reference to which General Plan policy it is implementing, who is responsible to implement the program, and the timeframe for implementation.

**Table 7-1. Open Space and Conservation Implementation Measures**

| | Implementation Measure | Policy | Who is Responsible | Timeframe | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | 2008-2010 | 2011-2015 | 2016-2050 | On-going |
| 1.0 | The City shall adopt specific criteria for the protection of natural and cultural resources as part of the City's environmental review process. This will include standards for determining environmental significance. | OSC-1.1<br>OSC-1.2 | Community Development Dept. | ■ | | | |
| 2.0 | The City shall investigate the establishment of a land trust for open space lands and consider opportunities for acquiring natural habitat and agricultural areas for permanent open space and natural parks. | OSC-1.1<br>OSC-1.2<br>OSC-5.3<br>OSC-5.6<br>OSC-5.9 | Community Development Dept. | ■ | | | |
| 3.0 | The City shall establish a mitigation fee for habitat preservation and replacement. Within the Village Areas, the inclusion of the 40 percent open space could provide adequate mitigation for habitat. | OSC-1.1<br>OSC-1.2<br>OSC-5.3<br>OSC-5.6<br>OSC-5.9 | Community Development Dept. | | | | ■ |
| 4.0 | The City shall adopt a tree preservation ordinance to protect healthy landmark or historic trees from removal. | OSC-5.1 | Community Development Dept. | ■ | | | |
| 5.0 | The City shall adopt construction standards for the protection of cultural and historic resources in the City | OSC-6.1<br>OSC-6.2<br>OSC-6.3<br>OSC-6.4<br>OSC-6.5<br>OSC-6.6<br>OSC-6.7 | Community Development Dept. | ■ | | | |
| 6.0 | The City shall adopt standards for monitoring of mitigation measures established for protection of archeological resources prior to development. | OSC-6.5<br>OSC-6.7 | Community Development Dept. | ■ | | | |
| 7.0 | The City shall adopt a right-to-farm ordinance to protect agricultural operations immediately adjacent to the City from complaints from new urban development. | OSC-2.1<br>OSC-2.2 | Community Development Dept. | ■ | | | |

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