Megalopolis Aviary

In the early dawns before the drone of traffic rises, I hear the song of birds.

& later

during days

Birds swoop across streets
hazed by the afternoon's smog,
rest for a moment
on pole wires or spindly trees
before once more journeying.
Colibrí in search
of sweet flowers in hidden
patio gardens.

& later

in the dusks

Pair of doves nestle
on a roof edge, the full moon
shining like fresh cream
above them.

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