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FLETCHER PARK

Honor Award

Building Type: New

Project Location: Mt. Zion, Illinois

Client: Village of Mt. Zion

Building Area: 30 Acre Park

Cost of Construction: \$ 2.3 Million

Date of Completion: July 2011

Architect: LINDENGROUP Architects

Landscape: Ives/Ryan Group

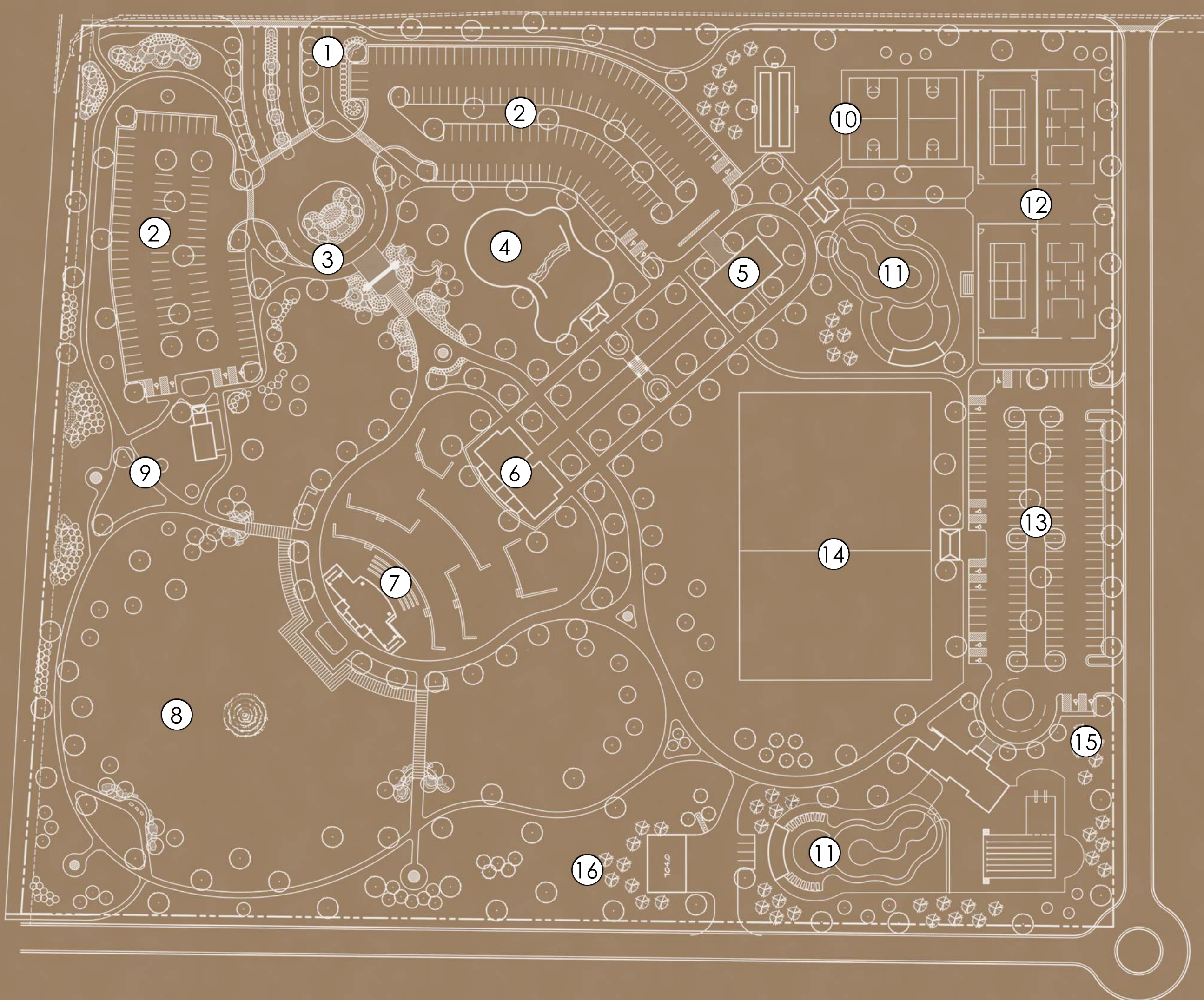


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Project Description:

Fletcher Park is a 30 acre open space project that is the village's first public park. Fletcher Park includes a large open pavilion overlooking an amphitheater with a two and a half acre pond as a backdrop. Other amenities include over a mile of walking trails with boardwalks and bridges, fishing areas, a small community center building, an arched gateway structure, children's play structure, and a relocated 100 year old school building. Future phase improvements will include athletic facilities, splash pad, aquatic center, and park maintenance facilities.

The architectural style utilizes simple rectangular structures with gable roofs influenced by adjacent school buildings and housing. These roofs are accented with arched eyebrow dormers that provide architectural interest and offer the functional purpose of projecting sound outward at the amphitheater. Pergolas and trellis pieces attached to the steel building frames provide shade, filtered light, and interesting shadows at each structure. The Entrance Gateway repeats these elements with its emulating arched eyebrow shape and large pergola structure. The column wraps and building enclosures are brick veneer and cut limestone, consistent with the recently constructed local school building, thus providing commonality between the two public facilities and reinforcing the park as a place of learning. Future phases of Fletcher Park will remain consistent with the materials and architectural style described above to create an overall unified experience.



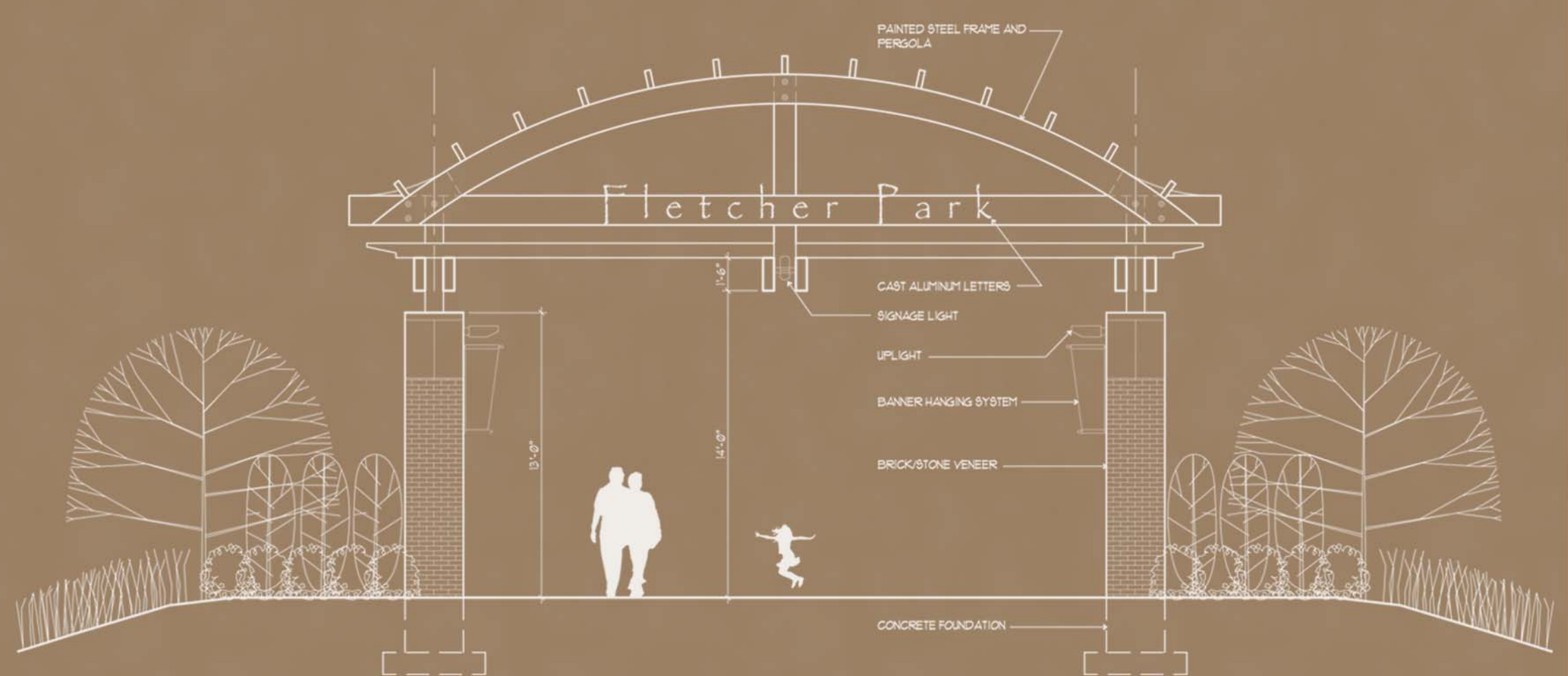
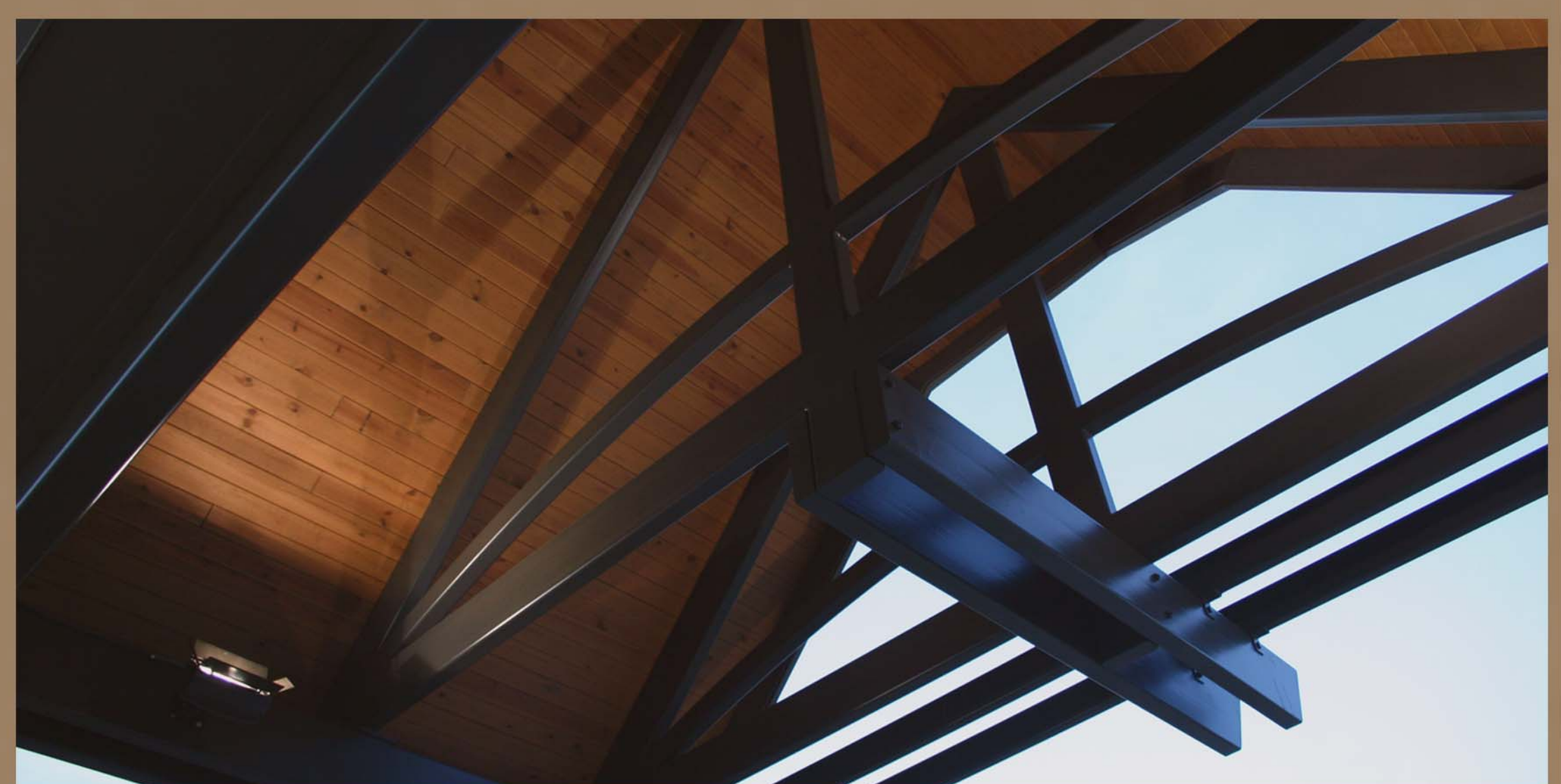
Site Plan



1. Main Entrance / Signage
2. Main Parking Lots
3. Circle Drive / Drop-Off / Gateway
4. Playground
5. Community Center / Multipurpose Building
6. Open Pavilion
7. Amphitheater
8. Pier / Overlook / Pond
9. Relocated Schoolhouse
10. Sport Courts
11. Future Splash Pad
12. Future Tennis Courts
13. Future Parking Lot
14. Future Soccer Field
15. Future Bath House / Pool
16. Future Maintenance Building

Jury Comments:

"The site plan is a well thought out juxtaposition of formal and informal elements. The buildings and structures are distantly reminiscent of agricultural buildings and lend a gentle rural quality to the park setting."



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