

2016 SoCal ASLA Quality of Life Design Awards
Design – Parks and Recreation
Image Descriptions
Pavilion Park, Irvine, California



1 Pavilion Park-Overall Illustrative

Pavilion Park sets the precedent for all planned Great Park Neighborhood parks through a design committed to enhancing sustainability and community engagement. The five-acre park includes 36 heritage trees, playgrounds, sport courts, a pool and spa, a greenhouse, an outdoor kitchen, a large lawn, a shaded terrace, and bike pavilion.



2 Pavilion Park-Overview

Park amenities are easily accessible by an extensive path network. Play areas offer opportunities to climb, slide, crawl, swing, and explore. The tot lot is elevated, offering parents/guardians a 360-degree view to easily monitor kids at play. A large central lawn promotes impromptu pick-up games for visitors of all ages.



3 Pavilion Park-Greenhouse

The Greenhouse at Pavilion Park is open to all residents of the Great Park Neighborhoods. Classes are held at the park, where residents can learn about urban farming, native plants, and how to keep a healthy garden of their own, promoting sustainability at the individual and community level.



4 Pavilion Park-Landscape

Pavilion Park exhibits sustainability at all levels, where California natives and water wise plant species were used throughout, ensuring the park as a whole is minimally dependent on natural resources and maintenance operations. Heritage trees ground the landscape, where grasslands and ecotones enrich the peripherals of each park element.



5 Pavilion Park-Trellis

Visitors to Pavilion Park are welcomed by a large trellis, which was designed to mimic the experience of aircraft takeoff. Repurposed metal fencing was used to create the shade structure. Density of the overhead materials is greater at the park entrance, growing increasingly separated as you traverse the structure's length.



6 Pavilion Park-Outdoor Gathering

Pavilion Park's community center and adjoining terrace provide large outdoor gathering spaces and small break away nooks designed with natural elements such as stone, wood, and unfinished metals, seamlessly integrating built structures into the surrounding landscape. An installation of wind chimes adds to the relaxed feel of this gathering area.



7 Pavilion Park-The Pavilion

The Pavilion is the park's central gathering place. The barn-like building can be accessed from three sides, and features iconic design elements such as orange roll-up doors, repurposed wooden walls, and sliding barn doors. The Pavilion is open to the public, but can be reserved by residents for private events.



8 Pavilion Park-Terrace

The terrace includes The Pavilion, an outdoor kitchen, the greenhouse, a bike pavilion, and large shade structures. Sophisticated design elements complement rustic features, where native landscaping and potted plants add texture and soften the hard lines of built structures. All buildings are pushed to the edges, maximizing central gathering space.



9 Pavilion Park-Pool and Spa

The main pool, wading pool with beach entry, and spa were designed with irregular and organic shapes, following the design aesthetic of landscaped areas located throughout Pavilion Park. Planting masses permeate the pool deck, and large heritage trees provide privacy for more secluded areas such as the cabanas and fireplace.



10 Pavilion Park-Fire Place

This large recessed fire place is one of many small gathering places strategically programmed into the park's design, providing visitors a place to converse with friends in an intimate setting. Seating walls are finished with wood and stone, and are surrounded by a lush landscape composed of California natives.