

THE SILICON CHIP

We suggest you look at the Guadalupe River Park as a kind of motherboard with many important functional elements. And the compositional center of this complex is «**The Silicon Chip, placed in the connector of the Earth**»! It contains important information for all mankind and changes the World, embodying the wildest dreams! On this "Silicon Chip" is emerging the name of the legendary **San Jose** city, which went down in history as the Capital of Silicon Valley, and will remain in memory for centuries.

"**The Silicon Chip**" is a narrow building (like a thin plate), lined with glossy black glass. Entrances to the underground space are designed as connectors. For the day lighting of underground rooms, small open atriums are designed, which are also stylized as connectors.

The project provides for the maximum preservation of the existing landscape, trees, formed footpaths, functional areas of the park. "**The Silicon Chip**" was placed on the site in such a way that the existing Five Skaters art object looks nearby as a single thoughtful architectural ensemble - these pillars look like some kind of capacitors on the motherboard, as well as territory limiters.

The complex is complemented by a new bridge over the Guadalupe River.

Near the Tennis Courts, we designed a multifunctional object with the functions of servicing sports fields. This building also has a transformable space (stage) for various events in the neighboring Plaza.

The following zones are assumed to be in the building volume "**Silicon Chip**":

✓ **EXPERIENCE AREA**

Flexible spaces with a vast functions range, within which a variety of content types may be implemented and delivered. Visitors will be immersed in the IT World through various experiences (e.g. exhibitions/displays/narratives) featuring a strong empirical and sensorial content (e.g. laboratories, workshops).

✓ **EVENTS AREA**

Variety of events, including conference and shows, with a capacity of up to 300 people. The structures of this zone should be flexible and modular to make it equally suitable for meetings and debates.

✓ **START-UP**

A space dedicated to experimental projects, a venue for research and collaboration for start-ups and innovative projects.

✓ **MUSEUM AREA**

A museum of IT which will be dedicated to the history of the creation of Silicon Valley, development and achievements in the field of IT.

✓ **FLAGSHIP STORES**

Located in the underground space with open atriums in the form of connectors.