

Step-by-Step Guide to Your Next Design & Build

Every home has potential. Without a professional, it can be difficult to imagine everything that's possible.

Discovering the right Design-Build team will help you answer these questions. You're going to want trusted advisors who will show up and be at your side to guide you as you embark on creating your dream home.

FIRST: GET CLARITY ABOUT YOUR SPACE.

EVERYONE INVOLVED NEEDS TO UNDERSTAND YOUR PROJECT

What drives your desire to remodel or build? Take ample time to think about this. The better you can express your needs and share what is not working in your current home, the better the chances of a successful partnership with you and your Design-Build team.

NEXT: GET CURIOUS ABOUT YOUR PROFESSIONAL TEAM.

THESE ARE SOME BASIC NUTS AND BOLTS QUESTIONS

- Are you licensed, bonded and insured?
- How long have you been in business?
- What tools and technologies do you use to track the information on my project
 - Will I have access to these as well?
- Will you obtain the permits needed?
- Is there a list of past clients that we could speak to?
- What is a realistic timeline for this project, and does it fit our needs?
- What are your processes, priorities and benchmarks?
- Which team members will I be working with in the design portion of the project?
 - Which team members are involved in the build portion?
- How do we come up with a realistic budget?
 - Does my budget need to include the costs for the design, permits and engineering fees?
- Do I need a separate budget for furniture and window treatments?
- Do you foresee any obstacles for our project?
- How do we request changes?
- Do you offer a warranty?
 - If so, what are the terms?
- Will I be assisted in the finish material selection process and product education?

LAST: GET COMFORTABLE WITH THE PROCESS

YOUR EXPERIENCE SHOULD BE THE TEAM'S FOCUS

- What are your company's values and philosophy?
- What style and methods of communication work best for you?
- How and when do you start to bill me?
- How do you collect payments?
- Can you help us learn how to care for our new home products?

Once you compare Design-Build organizations, you will begin to see which design aesthetic, work ethic, and communication style is the best fit for you.

When you choose to work with LEFF Design Build, we help you gain clarity and breathe easy about your new or remodeled dream home.