

## DESIGN QUESTIONNAIRE

### GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Do you have a general timeline for when you would like to start building or be moved into your new home?
2. Do you already own your lot? Where is the property located?
3. Have you ever built or remodeled before? How was the experience?
4. What are some likes or dislikes about your current living arrangements? How should your new home be the same or different?

### BUILDING SITE CONSIDERATIONS

1. Are there any significant natural features that make your lot unique? Are there any particular features that should be accentuated or remain undisturbed?
2. Are there any problems or issues with your lot that you are aware of?
3. Are there any local covenants that could influence design criteria such as building height restrictions, roof slopes, percentage of glazing area for total wall area, or environmental limitations?
4. What views from your lot are important? What areas should be screened?
5. Are you very sensitive to noise and privacy? The construction and placement of your home can play an important role.

6. Besides the home, do you have any future plans for the property to consider for the design?  
Gardens, outbuildings, gazebos, animal runs, recreation areas?

## USE OF THE HOME

1. Will this be your primary residence or a second home?
2. What level of wheelchair accessibility are you concerned with?
  - None
  - Entire home
  - Some areas, just these rooms:
3. Do you need a stair lift or elevator or need to plan for a future one?
4. Will anyone be working in the home? Are there any special considerations to be aware of?
5. Will there be kids living in the home? How many? Are there any special considerations to keep in mind?
6. Where do you and your family spend most of your time? Kitchen, family room, porch, outdoors, other?

## SIZE & SPACE

1. How much square footage do you anticipate?
  - Lower Level?
  - First floor?
  - Second floor?
  
2. How many total bedrooms including Master Bedroom?
  
3. How many Full baths would you like? \_\_\_\_\_. Half baths? \_\_\_\_\_.
  
4. What other rooms are necessary other than the living room, dining room, kitchen, and entry?
  - Family Room / Den
  - Office / Study
  - Breakfast Area
  - Sun Room
  - Theater / Media Room
  - Laundry Room
  - Walk-In Pantry
  - Wet Bar
  - Wine Room / Cellar
  - Game Room
  - Bonus Room
  - Library
  - Work area
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
  
5. On which floor do you want the master bedroom? \_\_\_\_\_
  
6. On which floor do you want the Laundry room? \_\_\_\_\_
  
7. What are your parking needs? Are you planning to have a garage? Attached, detached, or both?
  
8. Do you imagine any future additions to the home that would require planning for expansion?

## ARCHITECTURAL CONSIDERATIONS

1. Do you have a preference toward traditional wood “stick-framing” or concrete, ICF?

2. What home styles are you influenced by and find attractive?

- Cape Cod
- Colonial
- Craftsman
- Contemporary
- French Country

- International
- Mediterranean
- Southwestern
- Victorian
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. Is there a style that you particularly dislike?

4. What outdoor living spaces would like for your home? Decks, porches, patios?

5. Do you prefer an open floor plan, or more discreet and separate rooms?

6. Do you have any special pieces of furniture or artwork to consider for the design?

7. In what areas or rooms do you prefer more natural light? Morning light in kitchen? Sunset view in living room?

8. What materials are you considering for the exterior?

○ Walls:  
 Lower. \_\_\_\_\_, Upper. \_\_\_\_\_, Gables. \_\_\_\_\_.

○ Roof:

9. What materials are you considering for the interior?

Room	Walls/color	Floor	Ceiling	Trim	Cabinetry
Living Rm.					
Kitchen					
Entry way					
Master Bdrm					
Bedrooms					
Bathrooms					
Office					
Laundry					
Pantry					
Garage					
Utility					
Other					
Other					

10. Do you prefer a certain type of window? Casement/awnings, double-hung, sliders?  
 Any skylights?

### ENERGY CONCERNS

1. How important is energy efficiency to you?

- A primary concern even if adds cost to the project.
- Somewhat important.
- Not very, as long as it meets code. Style and function are most important?

2. What will the energy source(s) for the home be?

- Natural gas
- Propane
- Electricity
- Geo thermal
- Solid fuels

3. Do you have a preference for types of heating?

- In floor heating
- Forced air
- Radiant water heat
- Electric baseboard
- Wood or pellet stove
- Fireplace with gas
- Masonry fireplace
- Not sure, (would like to learn more).

4. Do you want air conditioning?

5. Are you considering using some solar energy?

6. What kind of electrical fixtures do you envision for the home?

- Ceiling fans
- Recessed cans
- Wall sconces
- Accent/tread lighting
- Cabinet lighting
- Chandeliers

7. Is there any specialty wiring that you would like in the home? TV/phone/cable, security, audio/video, data jacks, control lighting?

## BUDGET

1. What is your budget for the project or perceived construction costs?

- \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Between \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per square foot

COMMENTS: