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**Carmel
Whole Home
Remodels**

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Don't move; Modernize

If you love your neighborhood, but your home no longer meets your needs, consider a whole home remodel.

Why Whole Home Remodels Make Sense

- 1. Personalization:** The new space is created exactly as you want it, based on your specific needs and wants. Remodeling your home allows you the freedom to create YOUR dream home, not someone else's. Do you like to entertain? You may consider opting for a larger kitchen and more open living space. Do you have family members who will be moving back home? Having an extra bedroom or bathroom might be the ideal solution. When you do a whole home remodel your imagination is the limit.
- 2. Location, Location, Location:** If you love where you live, why move? You do not have to uproot your family and move to a new neighborhood just to get a larger or more modern home! At *GuyCo* we specialize in working with clients who want to update, expand and improve their current homes. You can have the modern-day features and amenities of a much newer home without ever having to leave the neighborhood.
- 3. Budget:** Many people are concerned that a whole home renovation project will be out of their budget. When you work with a professional remodeler, they will work with you to create a realistic budget that is within your means. Remodeling often costs less than tearing down and rebuilding, or building new. The more material that is able to be reused, the more potential savings are available. Completing all of your projects at once improves project efficiency, which saves you money.
- 4. Value:** You can add tremendous value to your home just by adding a single room. Kitchen and bathroom remodeling offers you the highest return on investment. When you include an addition with your remodel it gives you the opportunity to 'go green', which not only adds value, but can save you lots of money on utilities over time.

Five Benefits of a Whole Home Remodel

Whole home remodels are often the best option for families.

MODERN COMFORTS

An old house can feel cramped, cold, stuffy, and dark. All of those issues can be remedied during a whole home remodel. Walls can be opened up to let in more light and create the illusion of more space.

The HVAC system can be reviewed and upgraded as needed.

Insulation can be added to the walls and ceiling to keep the home temperature more stable. More lights can be added to illuminate dark corners.

New electric circuits, TV and internet cables can be installed throughout the home to allow new appliances and fixtures to be installed.

Room with a view—The top half of the wall separating the kitchen and the dining room was removed to make the two spaces feel larger, and to let more light into the kitchen. The space is now much more inviting. A perfect gathering place for entertainment.





Above: An example of a vanity that a person can access from a wheelchair.

SAFETY

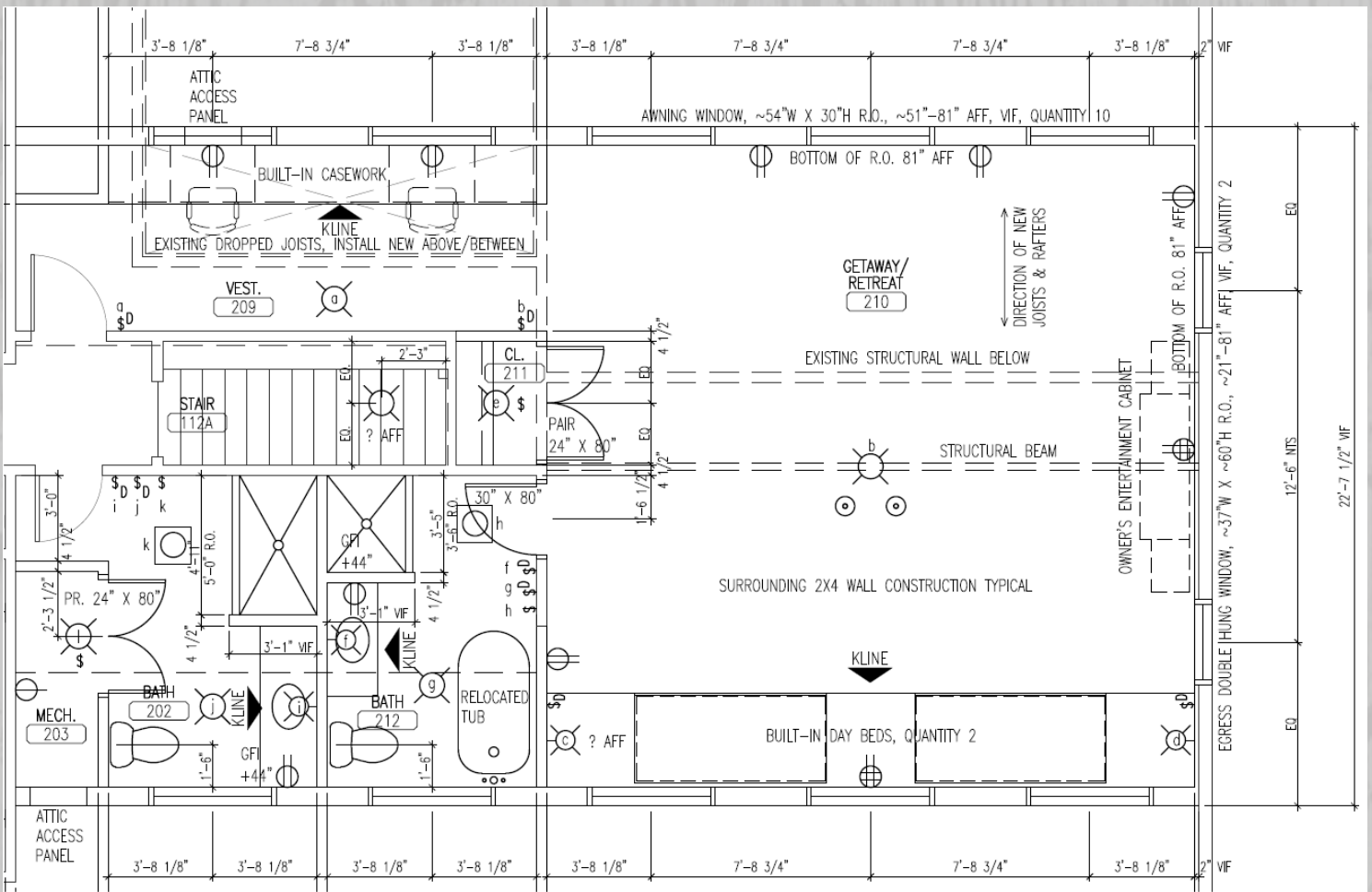
Older homes often do not meet current code specifications. Clients often choose to update plumbing and electrical systems to current safety standards and modern materials that reduce leaks and risk of shock, flooding, or fire. Galvanized pipe can be replaced with PEX or copper to prevent eventual corrosion and failure of the pipe, which results in flooding. During the remodel smoke detectors, GFCIs, and arc fault interrupters can be installed to increase safety. It is also a good time to upgrade the electrical panel so circuits don't become overloaded. Clients who plan to stay in their homes indefinitely often incorporate universal design features to allow them to "age-in-place", such as installing blocking for grab bars in the bathroom, and considering sinks that are accessible to everyone (such as the one pictured to the left.)

EFFICIENCY

Save money by improving the energy efficiency of your home. If the walls are getting opened up already, it's the perfect time to install better insulation, weather seal, get higher efficiency appliances, tape the ducts, and possibly upgrade the HVAC system and/or thermostats. There are even smart thermostats that can be fully automated and accessible by smart phone/device. You can also choose low-flow plumbing fixtures to conserve water each month.



Above: An example of a smart thermostat that can be controlled from a smart phone.



MORE SPACE

Whether it is removing walls, creating additional living space in the rooms, or completely changing the placement of rooms, you can customize every detail of your home's floor plan to maximize productive space. The most popular requests are to add bathrooms or bedrooms, or finish the basement or attic. Most whole home remodels add more square footage to the home.

TIME

Save time and money by doing all your home improvements at one time. There will be less disruption in your life, and you will get a more continuous, integrated style throughout your home.

City Spotlight: Carmel

Carmel is one of the fastest-growing communities in the U.S. for a reason.

Voted the “best place to live” in Money Magazine’s 2012 city rankings, Carmel has a lot going for it. The city is one of the safest in Indiana. Carmel currently ranks 3rd on the 2014 list.

Once just another sprawling Midwest suburb, Carmel has taken a new approach to make itself attractive to a diverse group of people, from millennials to retirees. The city center has been moved in order to better develop a walkable, mixed-use urban fabric that connects where people work with where they live. Meanwhile, Old Town (the historic city center) has been restored into a destination in itself, with the “time capsule” statues and Georgian-style buildings.

Carmel also features an Arts and Design District that provides a stimulating environment for creativity. The schools in the area are some of the best-performing in the state. Roundabouts and better street designs have improved the traffic flow in the area. It’s no wonder that so many people want to make Carmel their home.

Referrals

GuyCo greatly values the business and personal relationship that we have with our clients. We are looking to expand our business. If you have any friends, family, or colleagues in need of our services we ask that you keep us in mind as a referral. A few of the services we offer are listed to the right.:

- Home and Commercial Building
- Commercial and Residential Remodeling
- Real estate sales
- Real estate purchases
- Real estate home staging
- Local real estate market reports
- Local real estate market expertise and guidance
- Real estate professional referrals (for those moving to another state or country)
- Real estate leasing (commercial and residential)
- Other: do you have a unique real estate issue that you need assistance with? We would be happy to work with you to find solutions.

Have a Safe Independence Day!

Fireworks Safety The safest way to enjoy fireworks is to attend a public fireworks show put on by professionals. Stay at least 500 feet away from the show. Many states outlaw most fireworks. If someone is setting fireworks off at home, they should follow these safety steps: Never give fireworks to small children, and always follow the instructions on the packaging. Keep a supply of water close by as a precaution. Make sure the person lighting fireworks always wears eye protection. Light only one firework at a time and never attempt to relight "a dud." Store fireworks in a cool, dry place away from children and pets. Never throw or point a firework toward people, animals, vehicles, structures or flammable materials. Leave any area immediately where untrained amateurs are using fireworks.

Grilling Safety Every year people in this country are injured while using backyard charcoal or gas grills. Follow these steps to safely cook up treats for the backyard barbecue: Always supervise a barbecue grill when in use. Never grill indoors – not in your house, camper, tent, or any enclosed area. Make sure everyone, including the pets, stays away from the grill. Keep the grill out in the open, away from the house, the deck, tree branches, or anything that could catch fire. Use the long-handled tools especially made for cooking on the grill to keep the chef safe. Never add charcoal starter fluid when coals have already been ignited. Always follow the manufacturer’s instructions when using grills.



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