

NARI MN RotY Awards – 2025

PROJECT: THE HEX

CATEGORY: KITCHEN \$125,000 - \$150,000



The initial request was to update a small and cramped 1970s kitchen with a more open floor plan, contemporary finishes, and room to entertain. Also on the original wish list: new wood flooring, additional pantry storage, more countertop/prep space, a larger range/cooktop and larger hood, as well as a large island with seating for homework, crafts and baking, and a separate dinette area.

During design development, we proposed removing the secondary deck door and removing the existing wet bar and wall between the family room and kitchen. This would allow for a large open entertaining area where meal prep, conversation, and entertaining could all be accommodated.

Once preliminary budget numbers were established it was clear some of the wish list items would need to be eliminated. The originally proposed built-in dinette and laundry/mudroom storage were eliminated due to cost.

Hand scraped, custom stained, hickory floors and quartz countertops were suggested for their durability. The natural variation in the hickory floor melds the tones of the new maple cabinets and the existing oak wood tones in the rest of the main level. Slab doors, minimalistic finger pulls, and the dimensional hexagon backsplash tile add a simplistic modern vibe in the new space.

The completed space maximizes storage with a wall of pantry storage. The new open space allows views of the fireplace and casual sitting area in the family room. The large island provides storage for a mixer lift, a beverage refrigerator, ample seating, and countertop space for prep, baking, crafts, and conversation. The dinette area provides more additional seating. The final project makes for a large open space and an entertainers dream kitchen.

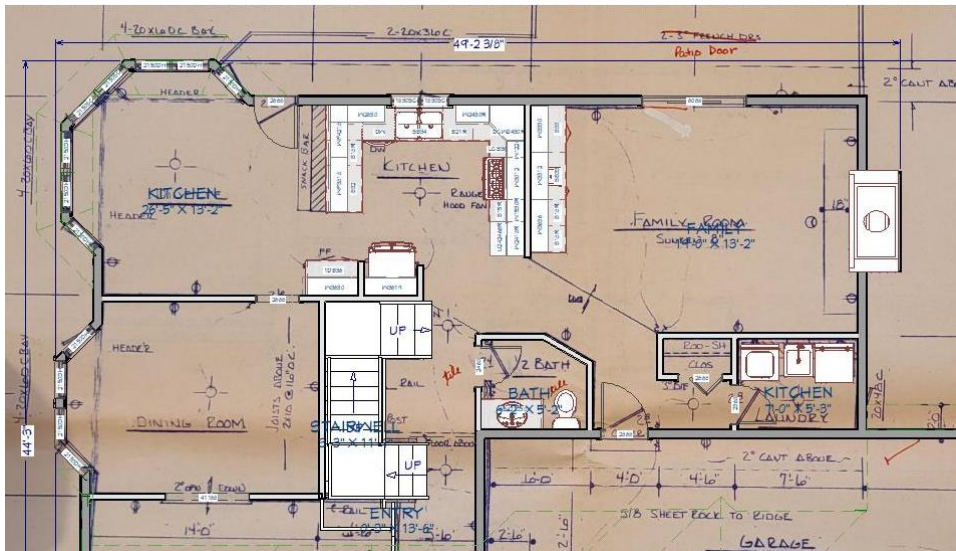
THE HEX – 2025 NARI MN RotY AWARDS – KITCHEN \$125,000-150,000

NARI MN RotY Awards – 2025

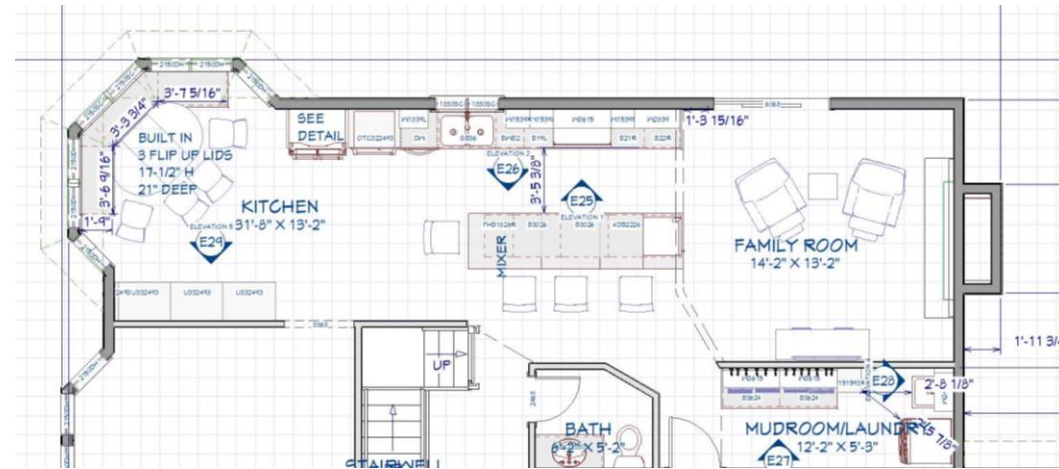
PROJECT: THE HEX

CATEGORY: KITCHEN \$125,000 - \$150,000

BEFORE (AS BUILT PLAN)



PROPOSED



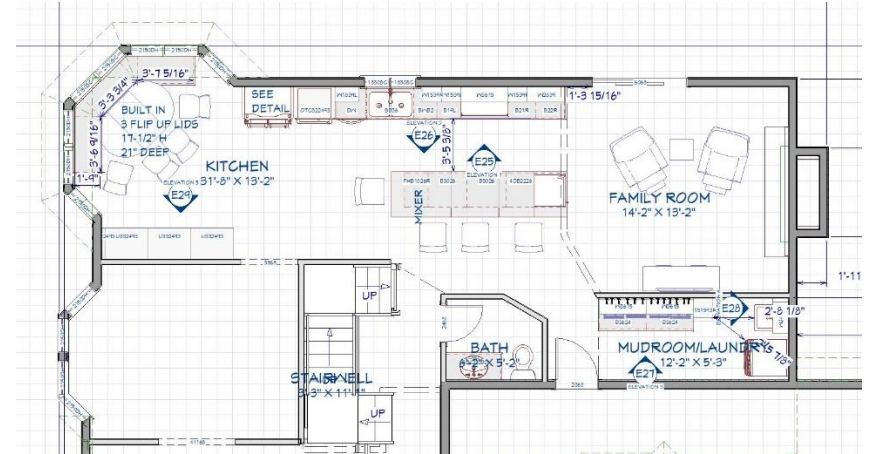
THE HEX – 2025 NARI MN RotY AWARDS – KITCHEN \$125,000-150,000

NARI MN RotY Awards – 2025

PROJECT: THE HEX

CATEGORY: KITCHEN \$125,000 - \$150,000

PROPOSED - 3D



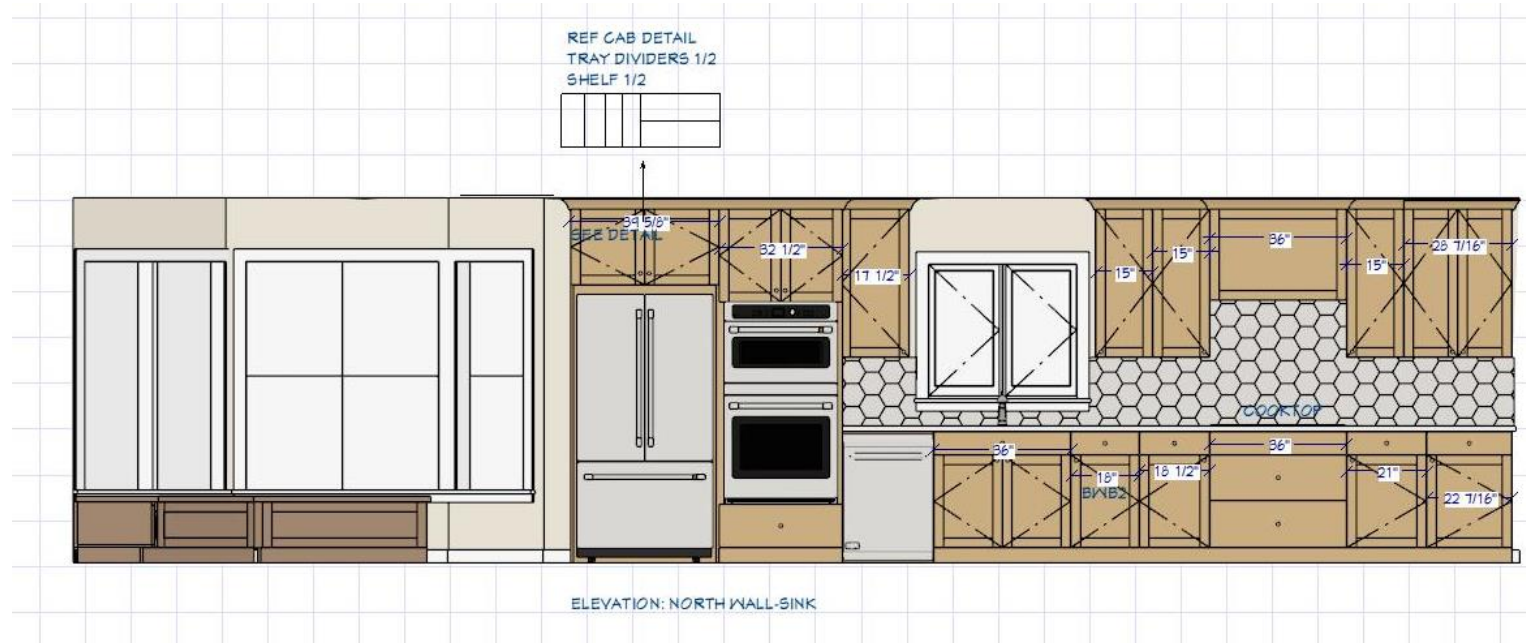
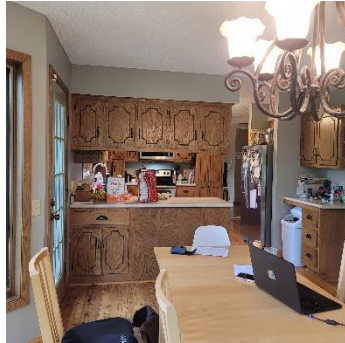
THE HEX – 2025 NARI MN RotY AWARDS – KITCHEN \$125,000-150,000

NARI MN RotY Awards – 2025

PROJECT: THE HEX

CATEGORY: KITCHEN \$125,000 - \$150,000

ELEVATION – NORTH WALL



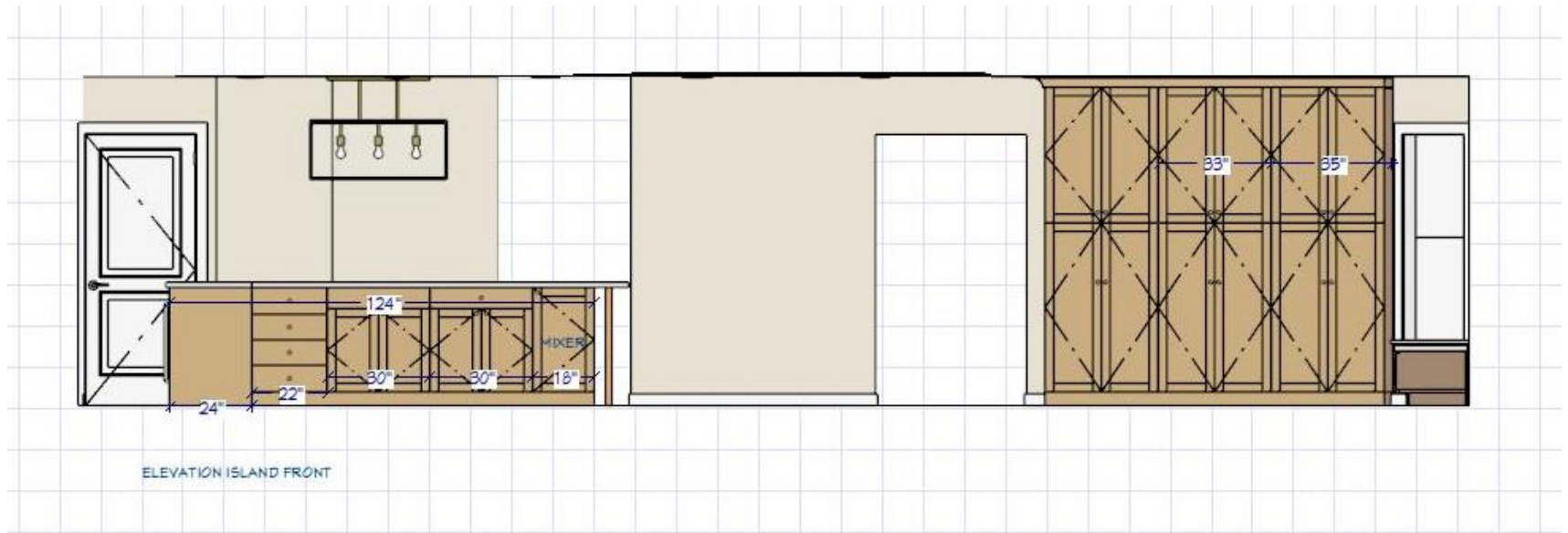
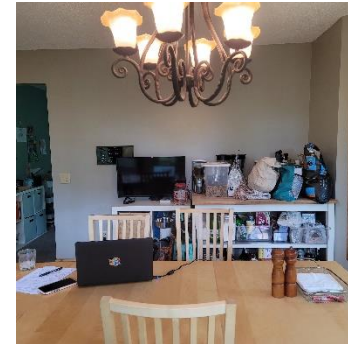
THE HEX – 2025 NARI MN RotY AWARDS – KITCHEN \$125,000-150,000

NARI MN RotY Awards – 2025

PROJECT: THE HEX

CATEGORY: KITCHEN \$125,000 - \$150,000

ELEVATION – SOUTH WALL/PANTRY



THE HEX – 2025 NARI MN RotY AWARDS – KITCHEN \$125,000-150,000

NARI MN RotY Awards – 2025

PROJECT: THE HEX

CATEGORY: KITCHEN \$125,000 -\$150,000

BEFORE/AFTER



THE HEX – 2025 NARI MN RotY AWARDS – KITCHEN \$125,000-150,000

NARI MN RotY Awards – 2025

PROJECT: THE HEX

CATEGORY: KITCHEN \$125,000 - \$150,000

BEFORE/AFTER



THE HEX – 2025 NARI MN RotY AWARDS – KITCHEN \$125,000-150,000

NARI MN RotY Awards – 2025

PROJECT: THE HEX

CATEGORY: KITCHEN \$125,000 -\$150,000

PROJECT CHALLENGES

This project presented many challenges all which impacted the proposed plan. Different floor levels made it difficult to extend the space. The cost to raise the existing patio door and modify the fireplace was not allowed for in the budget, so the floor was raised in only a small area to allow the maximum extension of the kitchen. A secondary door to the deck was also eliminated to allow for maximum use of available wall space. During design development a built-in dinette was proposed but was removed from the scope due to budgetary issues. The alternative solution was to use a free-standing table and chairs. A hidden air return prevented enlarging the dining room opening next to the pantry cabinets. The dimensional backsplash tile selected resulted in additional installation time due to its unique nature.



THE HEX – 2025 NARI MN RotY AWARDS – KITCHEN \$125,000-150,000

NARI MN RotY Awards – 2025

PROJECT: THE HEX

CATEGORY: KITCHEN \$125,000 - \$150,000

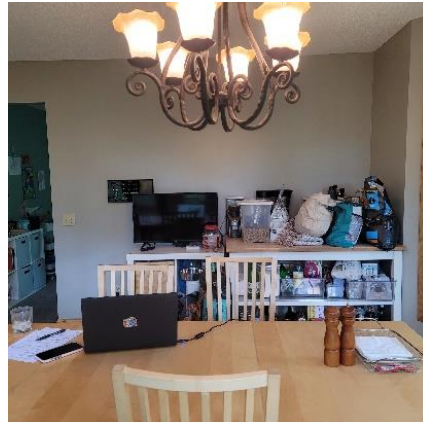


THE HEX – 2025 NARI MN RotY AWARDS – KITCHEN \$125,000-150,000

NARI MN RotY Awards – 2025

PROJECT: THE HEX

CATEGORY: KITCHEN \$125,000 - \$150,000



THE HEX – 2025 NARI MN RotY AWARDS – KITCHEN \$125,000-150,000

NARI MN RotY Awards – 2025

PROJECT: THE HEX

CATEGORY: KITCHEN \$125,000 - \$150,000



THE HEX – 2025 NARI MN RotY AWARDS – KITCHEN \$125,000-150,000

NARI MN RotY Awards – 2025

PROJECT: THE HEX

CATEGORY: KITCHEN \$125,000 - \$150,000

Innovative Solutions/Craftsmanship

- Secondary door to deck (not needed and was removed) to maximize usable space.
- Raised portion of sunken family room floor to extend kitchen and maximize storage and counterspace.
- Mixer lift/Beverage center in island.
- Installation of dimensional backsplash tile. Framed with a metal edge.



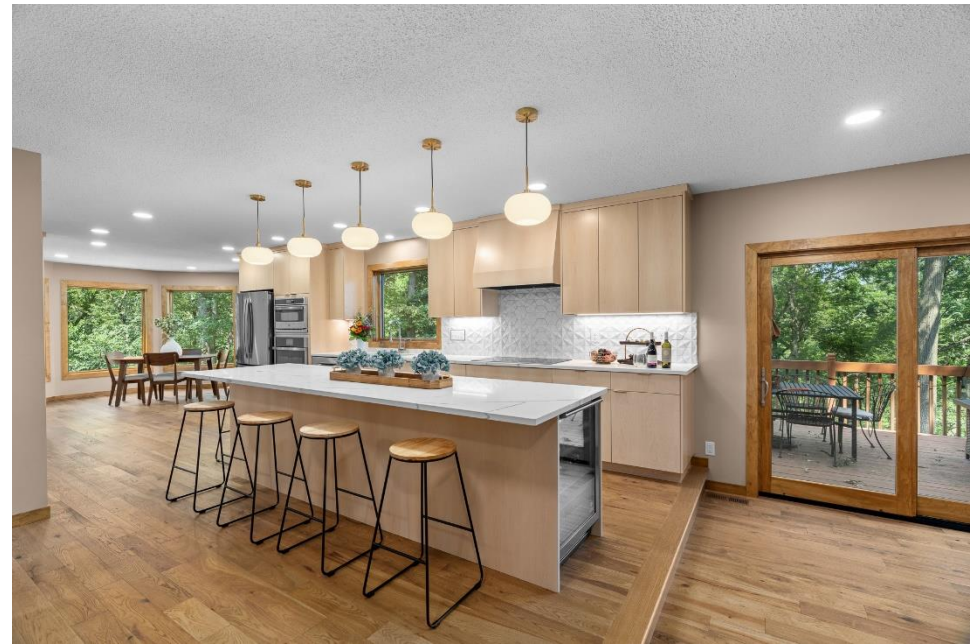
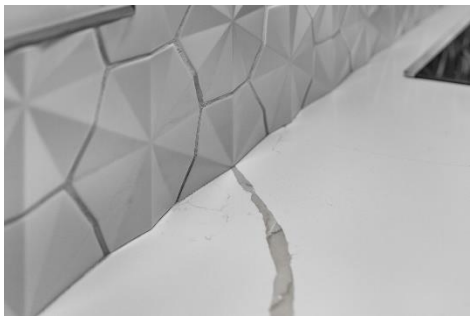
THE HEX – 2025 NARI MN RotY AWARDS – KITCHEN \$125,000-150,000

NARI MN RotY Awards – 2025

PROJECT: THE HEX

CATEGORY: KITCHEN \$125,000 - \$150,000

AESTHETICS



THE HEX – 2025 NARI MN RotY AWARDS – KITCHEN \$125,000-150,000

NARI MN RotY Awards – 2025

PROJECT: THE HEX

CATEGORY: KITCHEN \$125,000 - \$150,000



THE HEX – 2025 NARI MN RotY AWARDS – KITCHEN \$125,000-150,000