

2025 ROTY SUBMISSION

NARI MINNESOTA

KITCHEN REMODEL

CATEGORY: RESIDENTIAL KITCHEN \$100,000 TO \$125,000



ABOUT THE PROJECT

Our clients wanted to remodel their kitchen without having to take any walls down. As a young, growing family, they were craving a more functional space.

In this Traditional Colonial home, we kept the formal dining room intact and separate from the kitchen to honor the history of the home. Our goal was to create an updated space that tied in with the aesthetic and craftsmanship in the rest of the home.

We were able to use their existing footprint to give them a more open and functional kitchen.



BEFORE



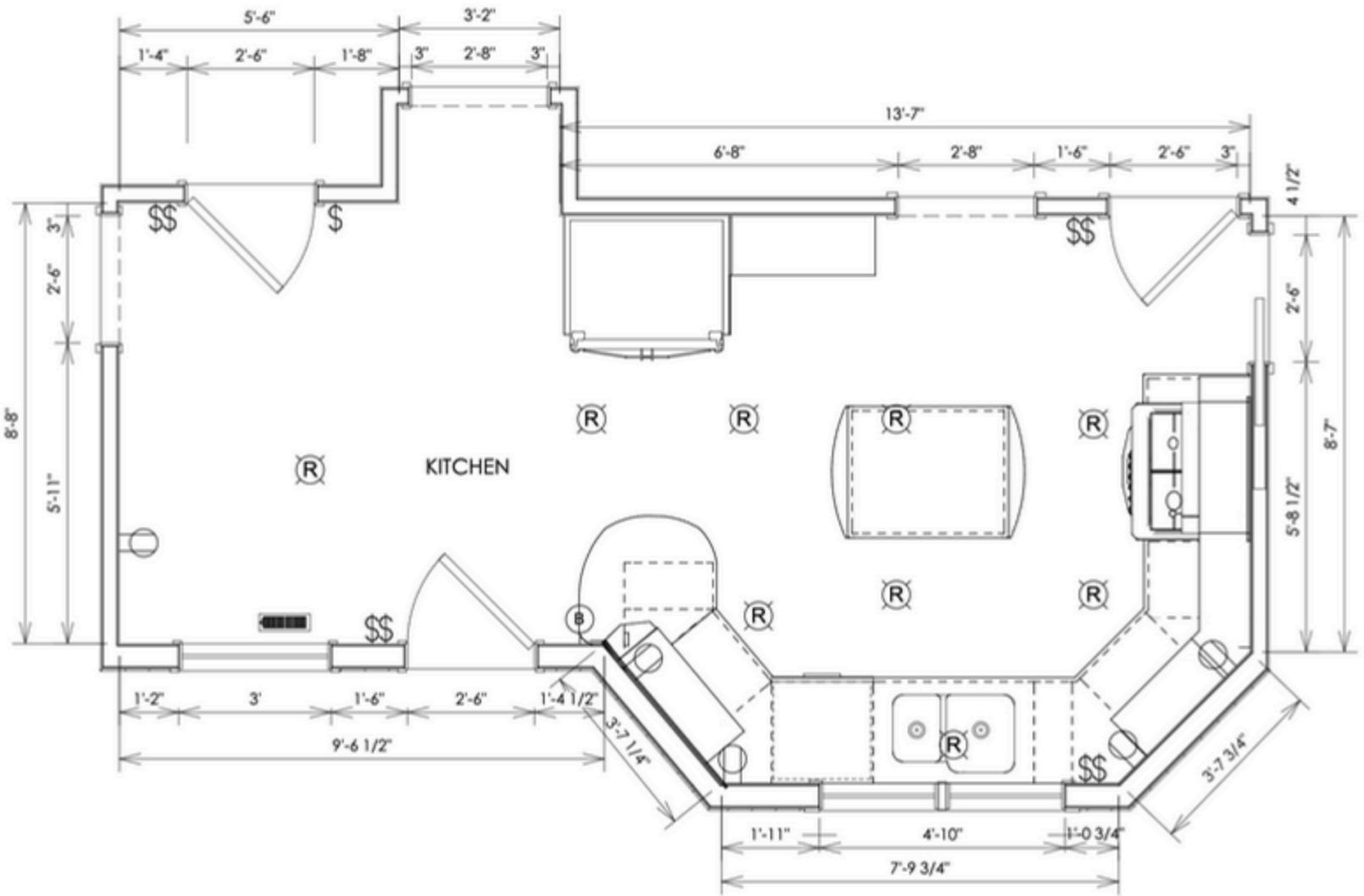
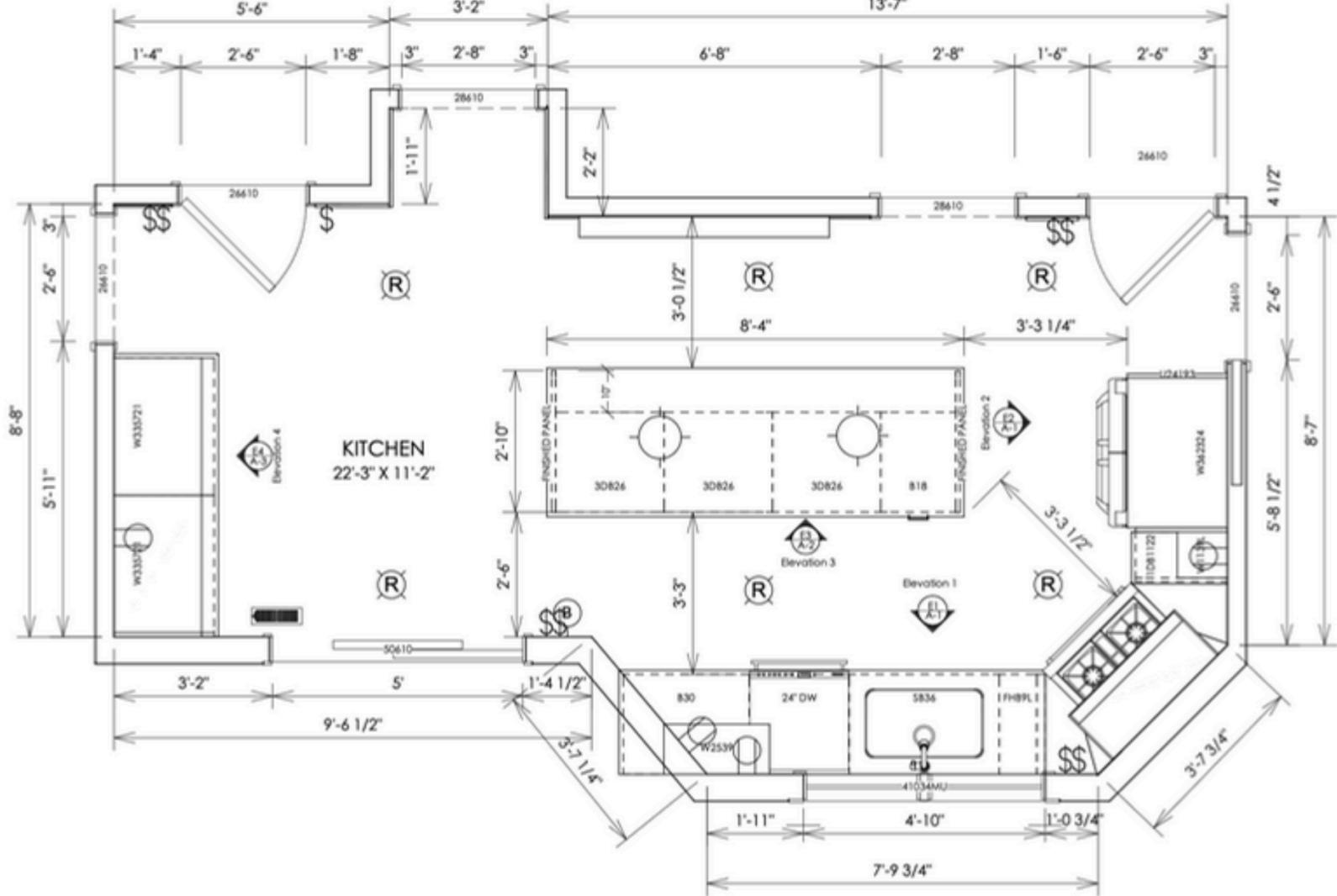
BEFORE

The existing kitchen layout had an eat-in kitchen, which did not utilize the space well and also made the kitchen feel small and congested. With a formal dining room located right next to the kitchen, there was no need for an eat-in kitchen, so we were able to utilize that space for a large pantry with a coffee bar. We were also able to widen the door opening to allow for a sliding patio door.



BEFORE FLOORPLAN

The existing footprint had good square footage, but the layout inhibited the ability to use the eat-in kitchen space for storage, food prep, or appliances. Additionally, having the fridge located across from the peninsula pinched the space - making it a pain point for walkways and visibility within the kitchen.



AFTER FLOORPLAN

By adding a sliding patio door, we were able to extend the island out, providing seating and storage in the kitchen. We also gained storage with the built-in pantry and by bringing the cabinetry up to the ceiling. By moving the fridge closer to the other appliances, we were able to create a better harmony for a client who loves to cook.

SCOPE OF WORK

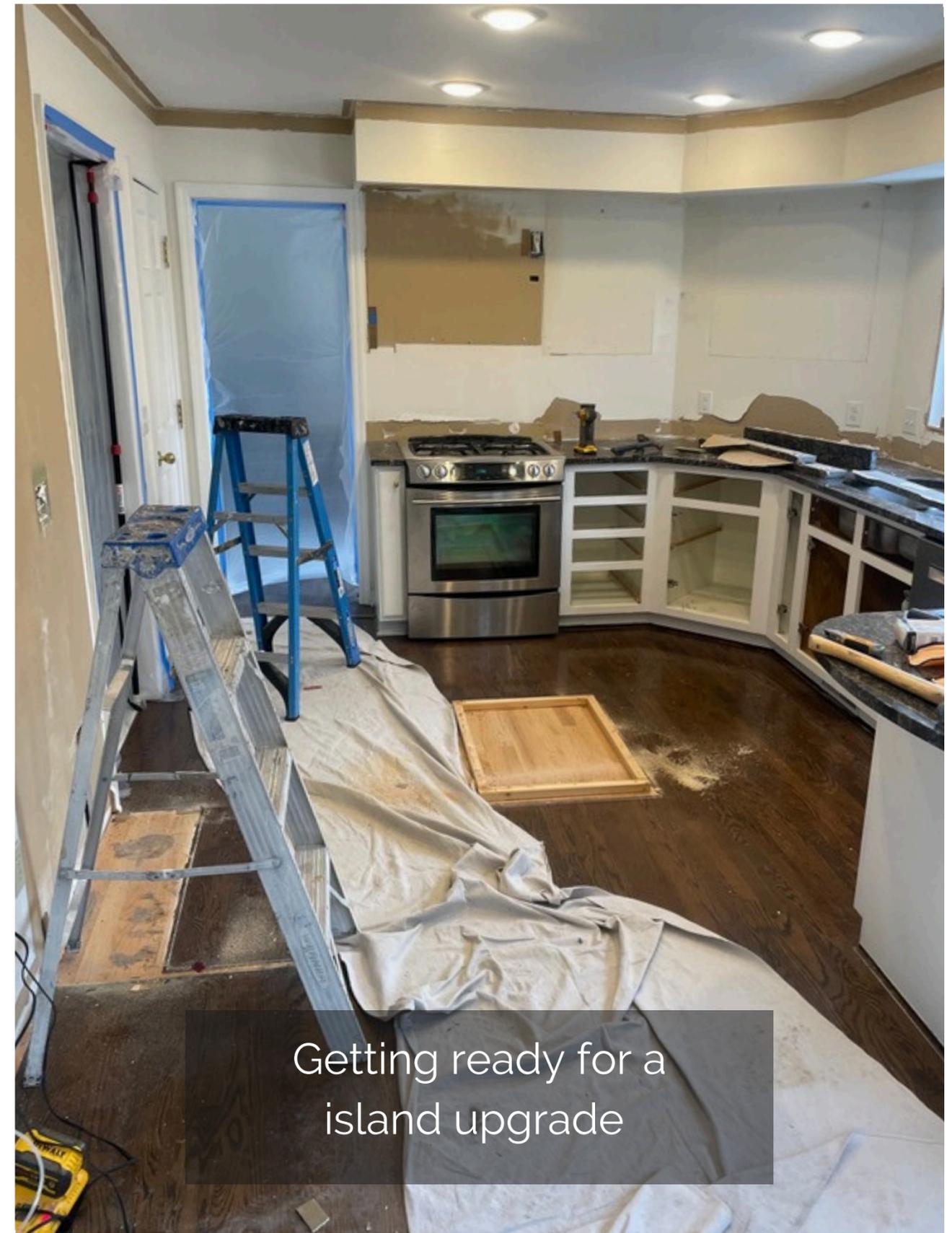
The plan was to remove the existing cabinetry and countertops, replace the window and door with a sliding patio door, install new cabinetry and countertops, refinish the flooring, add new appliances, paint, and bring in a new backsplash. Additionally, we installed all new lighting and plumbing fixtures.



PROGRESS
PHOTOS



Removing the existing
cabinetry and
countertops



Getting ready for a
island upgrade

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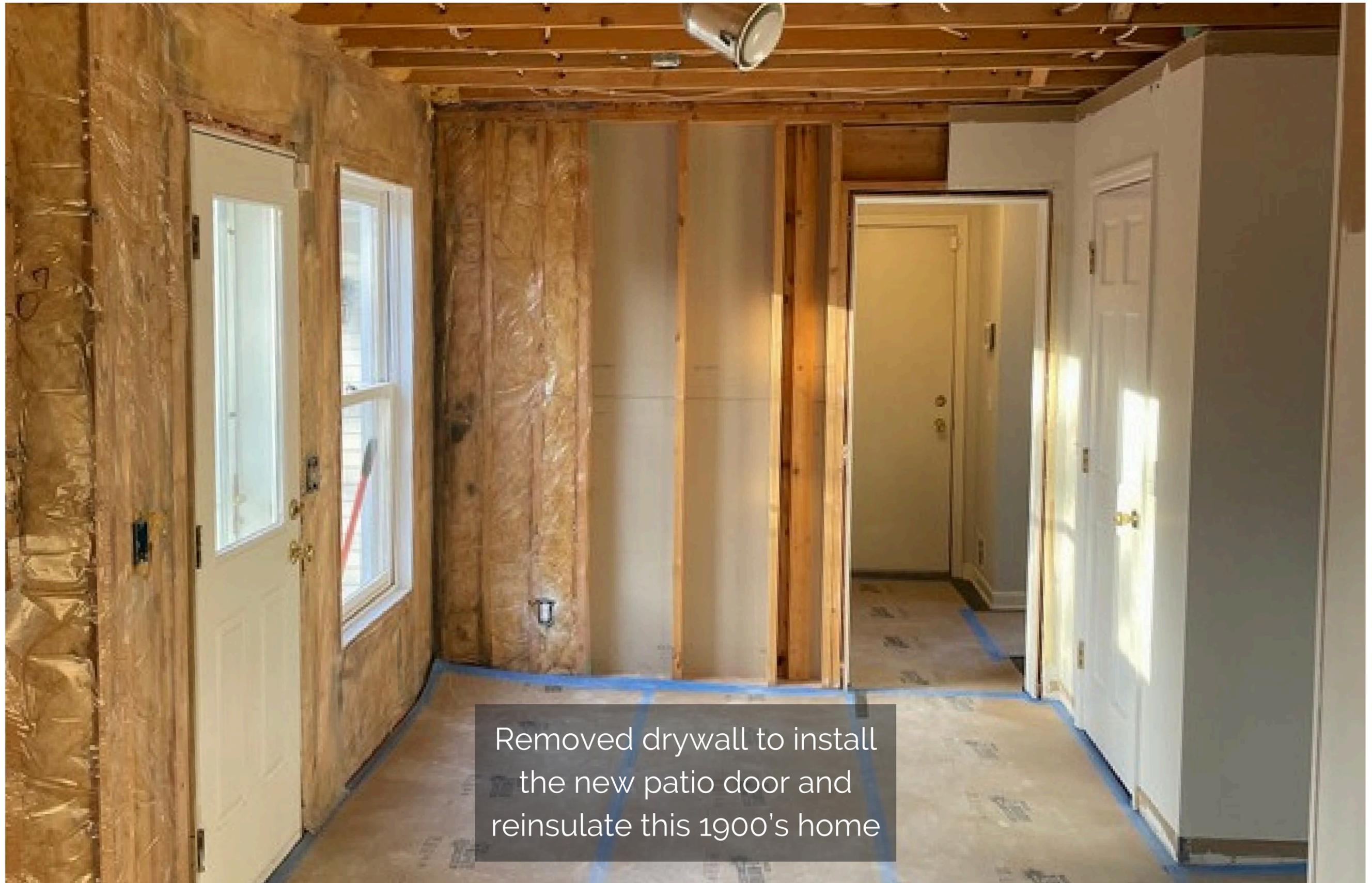


Cabinetry gone, showing off the space in this kitchen. Floor protection laid down



Successfully removed soffiting so new cabinetry can go to the ceiling

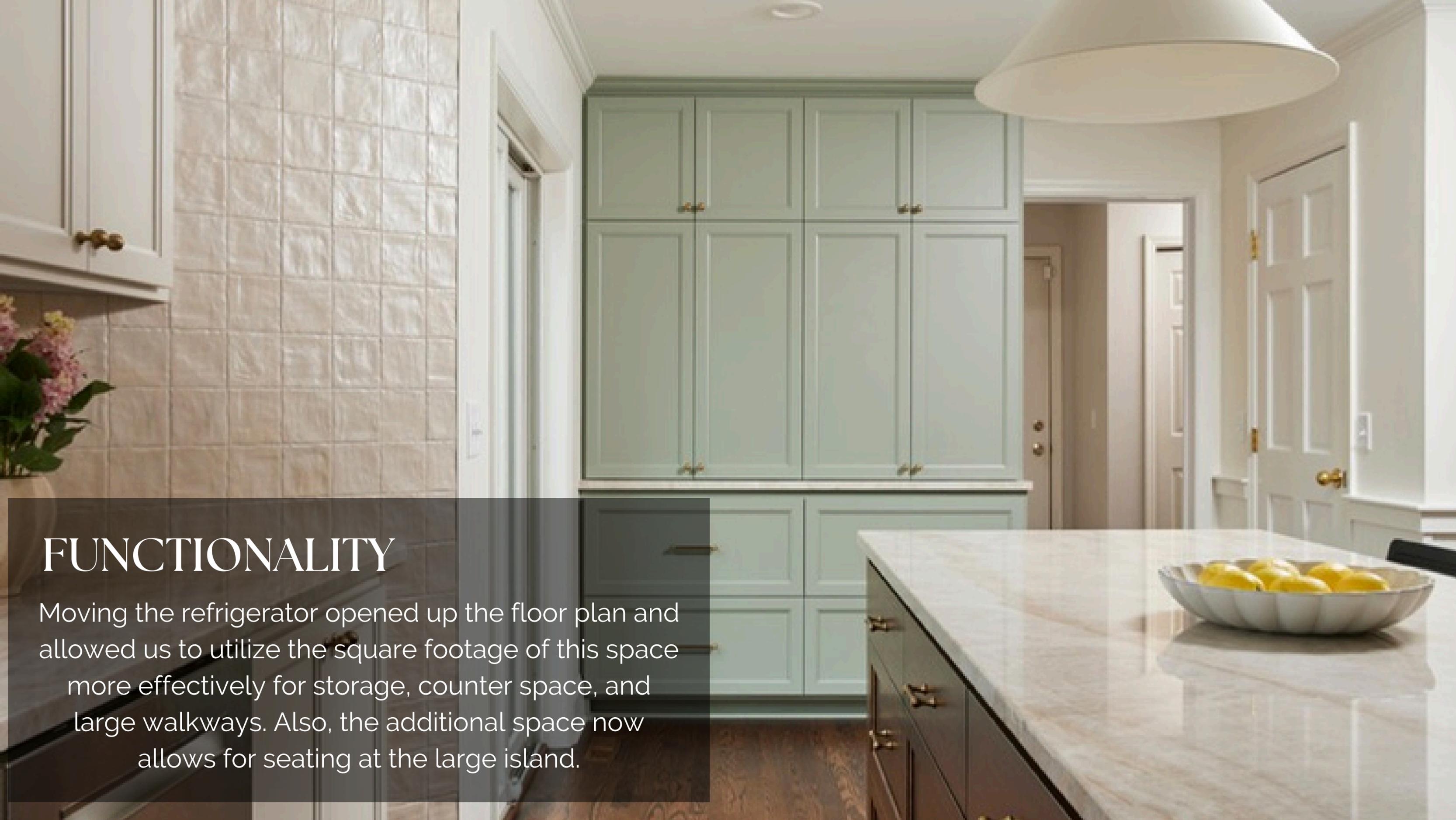
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Removed drywall to install
the new patio door and
reinsulate this 1900's home

AFTER





FUNCTIONALITY

Moving the refrigerator opened up the floor plan and allowed us to utilize the square footage of this space more effectively for storage, counter space, and large walkways. Also, the additional space now allows for seating at the large island.

FUNCTIONALITY

One of the biggest upgrades is a built-in storage space for the client's coffee items. Being able to keep the kitchen tidy was important to our clients.

Since our clients love to cook, we made sure to add in a hood vent, induction range, and a handy utensil pull-out drawer.



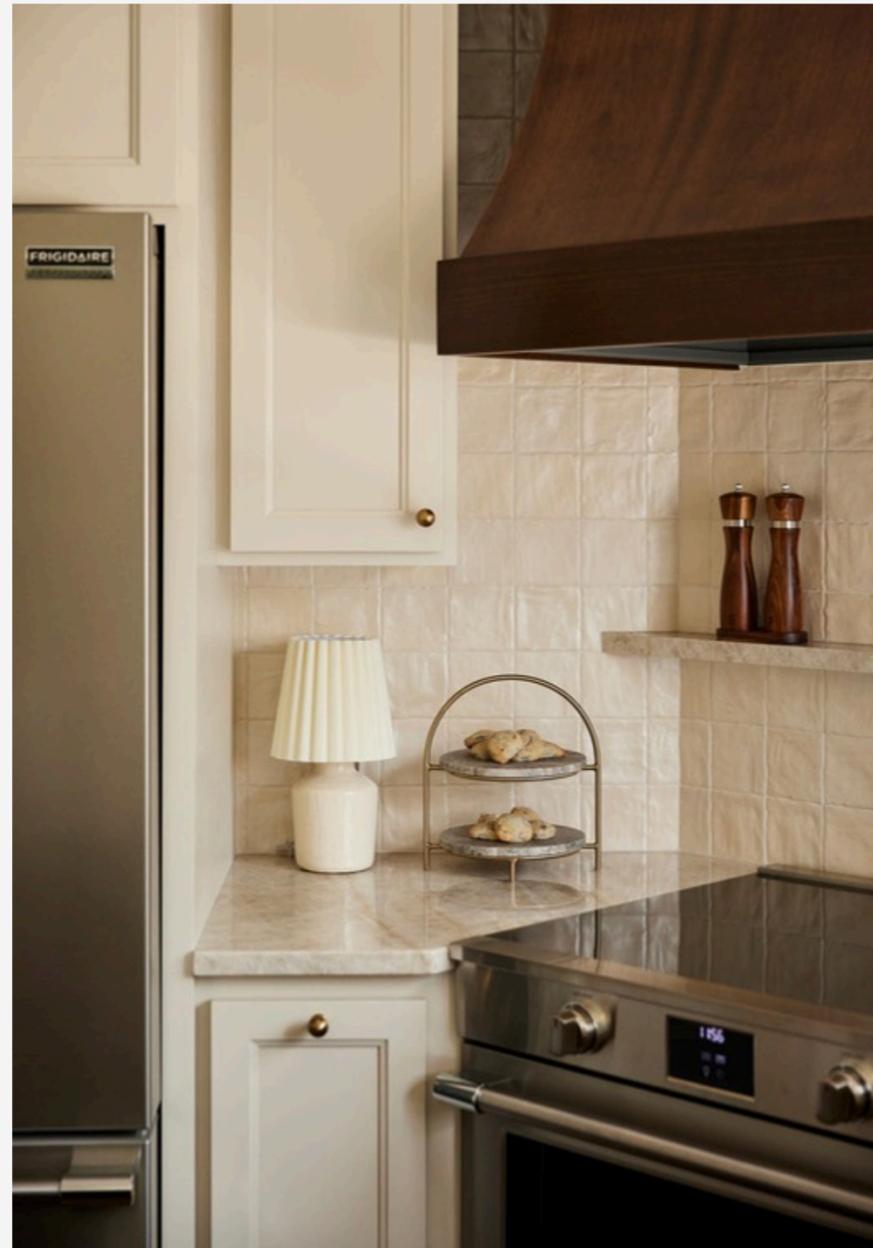
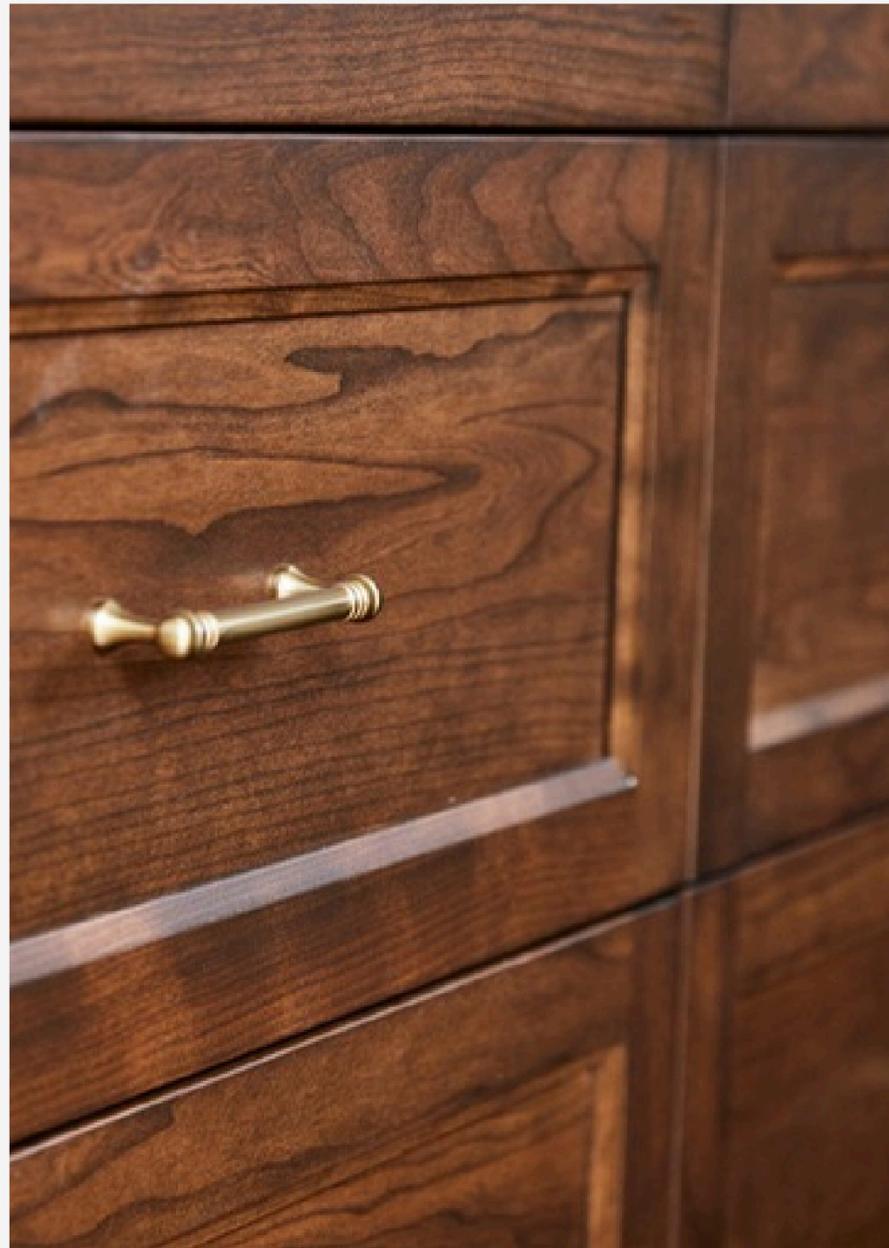
AESTHETIC

We leaned into finishes that complement the age of the home, including cherry wood for the custom cabinetry with a warm stain. The rich stain pairs beautifully with the creamy cabinetry enamel, along with the detailed millwork and gold hardware. The pop of color on the pantry gives this kitchen a fun and classic feel.



CRAFTSMANSHIP

Matching details like the hardware and custom-made plate rack with brushed gold tipping rails create a beautifully curated space that feels original to the home.



OBSTACLES

Our clients originally wanted a niche behind the range for spices and oils. Since we were working with an exterior wall in Minnesota, we instead opted for a ledge made from the quartzite countertop that adds style and functionality, without compromising the integrity of the exterior wall.



AFTER



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