

A New Way to Design

Meet Founder and Structural Engineer Brian Wells and the Coastal Creek Design team. This architectural design firm consists of both designers and structural engineers to create a one-stop shop for residential project plan needs.



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What role does Coastal Creek Design play in the home creation process?

We are a full-service residential design company. We create architectural and structural plans for renovations, additions, new construction, etc. We serve as the homeowner's "quarterback" throughout the entire process. In addition to producing the full set of permit plans (architecture and structural) we help our clients find the best builder, connect them with other design professionals, and coach them through the entire process.

What makes your company unique?

I know with absolute confidence that no other local, residential design firm can give homeowners a full set of custom, quality permit plans faster than we will. We are the only local firm that has a robust architectural and structural department in-house focused only on residential projects.

What is your favorite thing about your job?

I love being an entrepreneur. I love finding great people to hire, training them in new skillsets, and watching their success. I know we are providing a service to the public that has never been done



(above) Coastal Creek Design's team of architectural designers and structural engineers at their office located at 501 Bramson Ct., Suite 100 in Mount Pleasant.

before. The product we offer homeowners is superior to having an architect or an engineer alone. It has not been easy pulling all of this together, but it has been very rewarding.

What is the most challenging part of your job?

My role is to support and encourage my team as best as I can to ensure their needs are met so that they can focus on their jobs and have fun at work. The most challenging part of my job is managing the workload. I am very committed to ensuring the team does not get overloaded with too many designs, and that the clients feel like the design experience is enjoyable and responsive to their needs. It's a fairly tricky balancing act at times to ensure the team is kept fully loaded with good projects, but not overloaded.

Tell our readers about your new office location. What unique details were specifically designed for client relations?

We purchased our office in the spring of 2023 in order to better serve our clients. Our core process and best practice is face-to-face design meetings, where we spend a portion of that time drawing in front of our clients, making real time changes. To facilitate that process, we have two separate full-service conference rooms with multiple display screens. The new office also provides our staff of designers and project managers dedicated space to create and collaborate without breaking concentration.

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