

## Pre-Project Meeting Checklist How to Make the Most of Your Meeting!

- Don't know what to ask?
  - Not sure where to start?
    - > Here's a little homework to help you gather your thoughts.

| <u>Preferences:</u> Get a feel of what you like or dislike. Collect photos from books and magazines. Check out Houzz, a great place for inspiration. There are over 100,000 landscaping photos that can be viewed and stored into idea books. |
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| <u>Goals:</u> Ask yourself, "What do I want to accomplish?" Improve curb appeal, more privacy or create a more inviting place for family and friends to gather?   |
| <u>Specific Needs:</u> Think about the features you definitely want, such as a fireplace, sitting wall, a specific tree or plant or do you need suggestions?  |
| <b>Realistic Budget:</b> The budget is usually the hardest part to tackle because of not knowing what landscaping costs or the opinion that a \$ figure could possibly inflate a quote.   |

- Why is it important to discuss a budget? It's our job to provide an honest picture of how far a particular budget will stretch and to make suggestions for the best landscaping plan for your home.
- What if I don't have a budget in mind? That's perfectly understandable! Figure out a budget spectrum, "Do you see yourself spending about \$50,000? 20,000? \$5,000? You know what feels comfortable. Then we can help you figure out what goals you 'can' accomplish within your available budget.
- What if my budget is unrealistic with what I want to accomplish?

  No problem! If the overall project is more than you want to invest, Whitehouse Landscaping can help you prioritize and plan in phases.