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Website Starter – Initial Consultation

History/Status Quo

- 1. Do you have a website? What is the URL?
- 2. Are you happy with the website?
- 3. What do you like about the site?
- 4. What three things would you change on the site today if you could?
- 5. Do you have a target date for releasing your (new) site?

Marketing/Needs Assessment

- 6. Do you have a Website Mission Statement?
- 7. Have you specified and documented objectives for the site?
- 8. What is the primary "action" your visitors should take when visiting your site?
- 9. Have you done any analysis of your content and/or content types?
- 10. Have you collected any feedback or wish lists from your (prospective) visitors?
- 11. Do you think your visitors have a favorable experience when visiting your site? Why (not)?
- 12. Who is your typical site visitor? How often are they online, and for what do they generally use the website? Give basic demographics: age, occupation, etc.
- 13. Do you have any current campaigns or themes on which your non-web marketing and communication efforts are based?
- 14. How do people discover your site? What triggers a visit (newsletters, referrals, search engines)?
- 15. Do you have an existing or planned marketing strategy to promote the site?

Structure/Process

- 16. Have you had a site planning meeting with your staff?
- 17. Do you have an Information Architecture Plan?
- 18. How do you update your site? Do you have a CMS (Content Management System) in place (either automated or manual)?
- 19. What specific technologies or functionalities must your site contain to fulfill your visitors' and your organization's needs?
- 20. Does your site need E-commerce? Does your site already have E-commerce?

Personality

- 21. Does your website's design accurately reflect your organization's tone and quality?
- 22. Are you satisfied with the tone and quality of your site's design? How would you like to change it?
- 23. Are you satisfied with the tone and quality of your site's content? How would you like to change it?

