

**PROJECT LENGTH: 3 weeks** 

TASKS: Research, Definition, Ideation, User Testing, Prototyping, Web Design

TOOLS: Figma, Miro, Trello, Adobe Photoshop, Google Suite, Wix

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## Introductions

Who are we?

**Webtrepreneur** is a web design agency whose goal is to help small business improve their online presence by **creating a personalized digital strategy**. Whether they already have a website, or are new to the game, we are here to help.

Ensuring their success is why we are in the business.

What's our motivation?

As the pandemic has **changed the world around us,** an **online presence is necessary to survive during these trying times**. We want to **help people's businesses grow** in areas where **they are unsure how to do it**.



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# User Research Interviews Insights

Our research begun by conducting interviews and surveys that allows us to get a firmer idea on the users we are targeting.

We invited specific participants who are:

- 1. Already in business
- 2. Age is 25+
- 3. Have a digital form of marketing for their business;

### And these are our 4 Detailed Questions:

- What makes you trust an agency (examples: efficiency (time-sensitivity), professionalism, pricing)
- If you have dealt with one, what are few issues you may have encountered from them?
- After the agency delivers the website, would you, as a business owner, manage it on your own or will need a continuous service from them with reasonable pricing.
- What other digital services would you be interested in, other than web design?

As a Result, we had:

Total Interview Participants: 6

Full Interview notes

# User Research Insights

After we completed our first round of user interviews, we got a lot of great insights from talking to small business owners.

Some recurring problems that we discovered during these interviews are:

- Our clients are not experts in websites and digital marketing
- One on one consulting is important in developing trust
- See a huge value in having a digital presence

Participant

Participant

**Participant** 

Web design is not his field of expertise

Prefers to

work with a

one person

show

Site has old technology

Doesn't

trust any

agencies

If an agency can work with me would save me time and

Participant

money

struggle into

being social

media

present

Agency needs to be time efficient for me.

I think since covid hit. digital world is the best place to go

Organization is difficult, website would help

important

Most agencies don't offer other digital services like google ads which are

deadlines and time efficiency is important when working with agency

most agencies don't give the client enough control for customization

Participant

we are open to the agency to do our marketing

> we want an agency we can do a

the website we currently have is simple.

it was very hard

to manage the

online booking

on the website

we created

one on one

Time is important for us - agency that can help us with that would be great

Website:

Yes made

from

Shopify

we want to be more active on social media

We want someone else to help us with marketing and our website

Participant 6

Once I have a website - I want to own it

marketing struggle on social media - hash tags

agency i can trust with reliability - i can talk to easily

agency that can teach me how to market

Full user insights available at: <u>User Insights</u>

# Affinity Diagram

### Pain Points - Struggle

Covid has been hard on the company

most agencies don't give the client enough control for customization Most agencies don't offer other digital services like google ads which are important

Not an expert on Merketing digitally

### Business goals

goal is to be competitive with others

I need help from an agency that can give me insights on the trend out there Saving money is very important too

Goals - to maintain current status/success

### **Client Expectations**

they did not like that fact that we wanted to have everything done in a short time

> agency i can trust with reliability - i can talk to easily

If i were to get one - i need cost effecient

expects agency to be up to date with digital trends

# Services other than web design that clients would be interested in

we want to look into city ads (posters)

market my self with business cards

I think since covid hit, digital world is the best place to go i want to learn more for social media to get my business growing

### How to Manage their website

Once I have a website - I want to own it

We want someone else to help us with marketing and our website

### Like about their Website

the website we currently have is simple.

I think we have our brand voice well said on our website

### Clients Need for their Website

website can be update base on the trend

Wants access to website analytics to improve web usuability

Wants website to be minimal and easy to navigate

Full affinity diagram available at: Affinity Diagram

# Survey Results

We conducted a survey which was to be filled out by small business owners. The goals and objectives of this survey were to inquire if small businesses have already gone digital or if they plan to in the future

We had 17 people submit the survey and got some great insights.

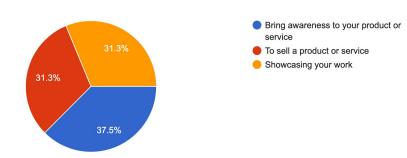
### We found out that:

- Most small businesses find a website beneficial
- The website will serve different purposes for different businesses
- Clients want us to also help with their digital marketing and social media

If yes, are you happy with your current website?
16 responses



What is or would be the purpose of your website?
16 responses



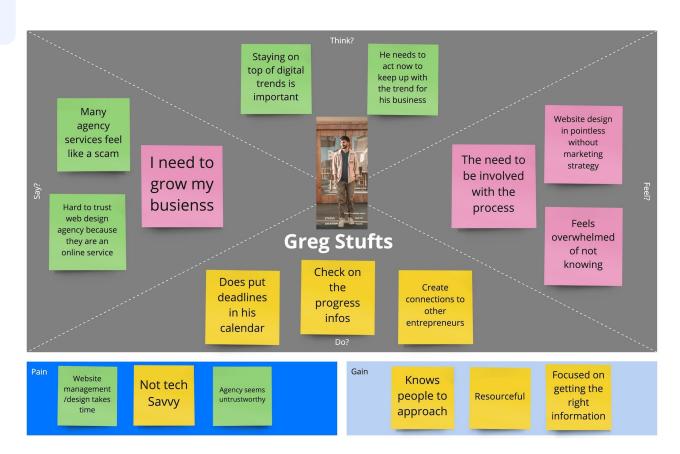
Full survey results available at: Survey Results

# Empathy Map

At this point we have collected a lot of great insights from small business owners.

We decided to better understand our users needs and frustrations by creating an empathy map.

This was the first step in creating our new user persona.



# User Persona



#### **PSYCHOGRAPHICS**

#focused

#entrepreneur #motivation

## **Greg Stufts**

#### **ABOUT**

Greg is a HVAC small business owner who is looking to re design his website to attract more client and imporove his online presense. He wants to start to advertise his services digitally. so he belives having a presentable functional website would be a create start in his goal of expanding his business.

#### **KNOWN HABITS**

- spends alot of time on his phone
- spends a lot of time working and does not have alot of time for side projects
- changes his mind often

### **FAVORITE BRANDS**

PERSONALITY

Organized

Focused

Punctual

Detail - Oriented



Resourceful & Firm









#### **GOALS**

- Attract more traffic to his website to get more clients
- Expand his team and build a trustworthy brand identity
- keep up with digital marketing trends
- Come up on google and build a successful sales, funnel

#### **PAIN POINTS**

- Competitions are all over the place and his current website looks very old and crowded
- His other friends who are in the business are expanding their business very quick but he doesn't know how
- not very tech savy

# Competitor Analysis

Upon completion of our competitor analysis, and all of our initial user testing, we discovered a real need for an agency with a business model like ours.

Now becomes the challenge of how to execute why and how we are different from other agencies.



#### WEAKNESSES

- -Not so clear what they do from the first impression
- their mission statement is attractive but vague

#### STRENGTHS

- -The video/animation hero image is makes the website look attractive
- the look and feel of the website is clean and minimal and modern
- the visuals have very high quality

#### SUMMARY

Konard has worked with big brands such as spotify and mcdonalds, they showcase clients work very neatly using case study format, and subtle animations such as delayed transitions. They have a catagory called capabilities which replaces the 'services' catagory of other agencies, which is celver because and makes them look more professional, like their goals is to come up with an enitre marketing/branding srtategy for their clients whihc incorprates all their services.



#### WEAKNESSES

Website looks fun and minimal
- use of illustrations shows that
agency is pretty up tp date with digital
trends -has live chat feature which
means reliable cutomer service

- have included online marketing as a service offered besides web desing
- include their design process using icons and professional explaination

#### STRENGTHS

- -To many packages might be overwhelming to customers when trying to pick the right package - Some terms used to describe feature
- Some terms used to describe feature might be hard to know for avarage users

#### SUMMARY

Web design lane presets their services in the form of clear packages which include different features includes pricing. At the top of the page they have included known brand logos they work with such as amazon shopify and wix in order to seem trustworthy/reputable



#### WEAKNESSES

Spacing and hierarchy of the website would be better and more organized.

- Some parts look way too crowded
- also logo and colour does not look too modern
- Too many categories in the services section might make the website hard to navigate

#### STRENGTHS

Offer a range of services such as web design, app development, UX/UI, marketing and SEO.

- use of animations and video in the landing page makes the website interesting and cool
- -like how they have tried toinform clients about the services and their benifits in simple words and really educated them about the benifits of each

#### SUMMARY

New York website design company, digital marketing agency, social media, and PR agency in one super- creative blender. Lounge Lizard brand tenders, and marketing mixologists always serve up unique Website designs coded with today's modern technologies, social media campaigns, SEO improvements, and revenue-driving marketing strategies for sales leads and customer acquisition. Check out our latest concoctions



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## Problem Statement

During our surveys and user interviews, we discovered that small business owners have a hard time trusting agencies when it comes to their website and digital needs.

Therefore, we believe that **one on one client and customer consultation** might be able to help **customers with the trust factor and help them with their whole digital strategy for growing their business**.

We might do this by having knowledgeable staff that can really help bring the customers vision to life in a more personalized way. Doing this will allow our customizable services to be reliable, meet the needs of each unique business, by offering only the services that the client needs to be successful.

# **UX** Hypothesis

Our web design agency was designed to help small business owners create a digital strategy to grow their business. We have observed that other web design agencies are not trustworthy because of a lack of communication. The agencies are not communicating in simple enough language for their clients to understand, they are taking too long before engaging with their customers. This in turn is causing potential clients to have a hard time approaching agencies.

Through one on one web design consulting we plan to simplify and guide to create a successful digital strategy which aligns with their business goals. Our customers' success will differ based on their specific needs, and we will be able to assess their business growth as we will be working with them throughout the whole process.

# I Like, I wish, What if

Our I like, I wish, What if ideation session was completed with all of the user research completed to date

Understanding the demand for our business model helped us to take all these ideas and synthesize them on sticky notes.

From here we dot voted, are were able to determine what features we should focus on first. We are now able to create a feature prioritization matrix.

Llike

Simple Design

Seeing other work they have

Live chat availability they said that they are not a hot

done

I like the simple break down of what their services

Llike that you can see the clients

Transparency

about their

approach

consistent

brand

identity

I like that the

website have

consistency on

the look of

each pages

I wish

brand voice

You were

able to

customize

your package

Free

audit

I wish the

interaction on

the webpages

arent

overwhelming

I wish that

the words

are easy to

understand

Free revisions

Step by step process

There was a way I could measure

Clear

had a

digital sucess

timeline

What

transferable knowledge

We could develop trust before being locked into a service

What if there are available online seminars offered for existing clients

They could

show the what

work they did

for their client

website maintenance

What if the clients fill out a survey first before the meeting

Retention rewards for existing clients

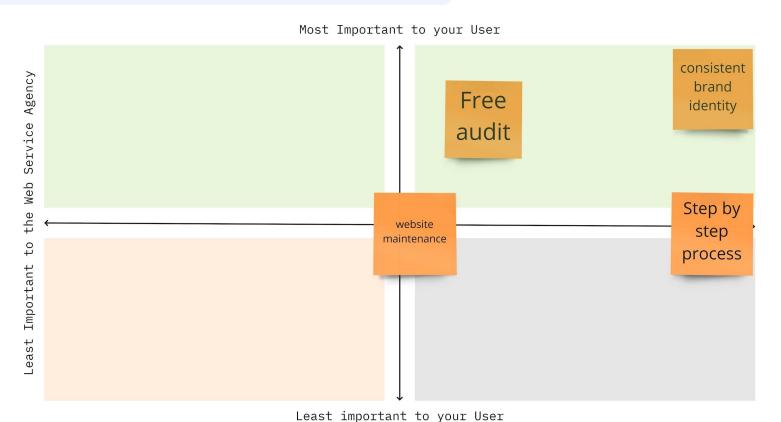
What if, you can

book 5mins to 10mins live video chats to existing clients

There was happiness guarantee

What if there are incentives from the agency

## Feature Prioritization Matrix



Agency Service Web the to Important Most

# Value of Proposition

Our web design agency, Webtrepreneur, was designed to help small business owners create a personalized digital strategy to grow their business.

We know that every business has unique needs so with our adaptable approach together we can bring the vision of your business to life.

We're believable because we want to work with the customer as opposed to simply working for them. By breaking down our industry knowledge to our clients we make them feel confident in their digital journey.

# StoryBoard







Greg has business and he wants to have a digital presence. He has a current website but he feels like it is too simple and out-dated.

He feels very overwhelmed looking at his competitor's websites.

Greg decides to seek help but feels like all the agencies he has contacted were not approachable enough.



He shared this to his friend over coffee and his friend asked him if he have heard of "Webtrepreneur"



He reached out to "Webtrepreneur" and right away, he was impressed by their professionalism and ability to explain simple words on how they can help him with his business goals.



3 months later, Greg is extremely happy with the results and new clients he gained from his online presence!



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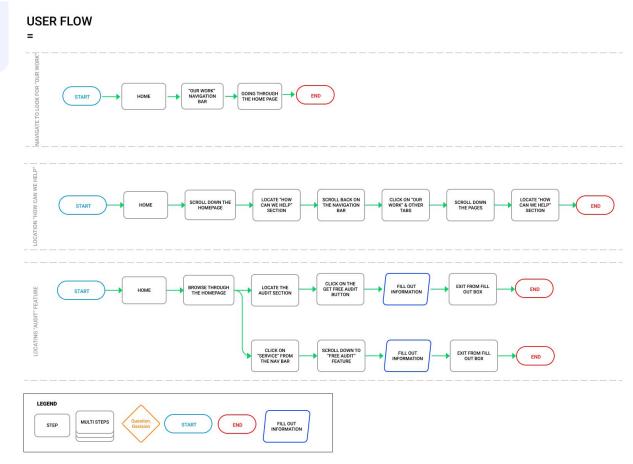
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## User Flow - Lo-Fi

Based on our storyboard, we identify 3 tasks that would help our user personal achieve his goals.

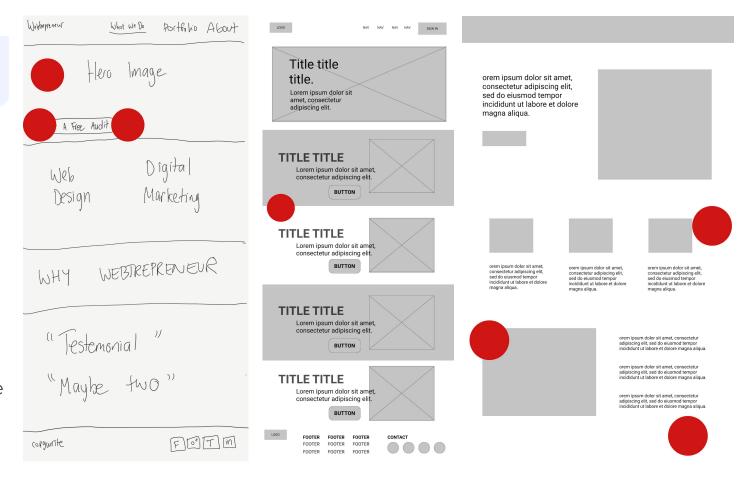
- Locating work completed for other clients
- 2. Accessibility of immediate assistant
- Ability to get a free assessment on their current website



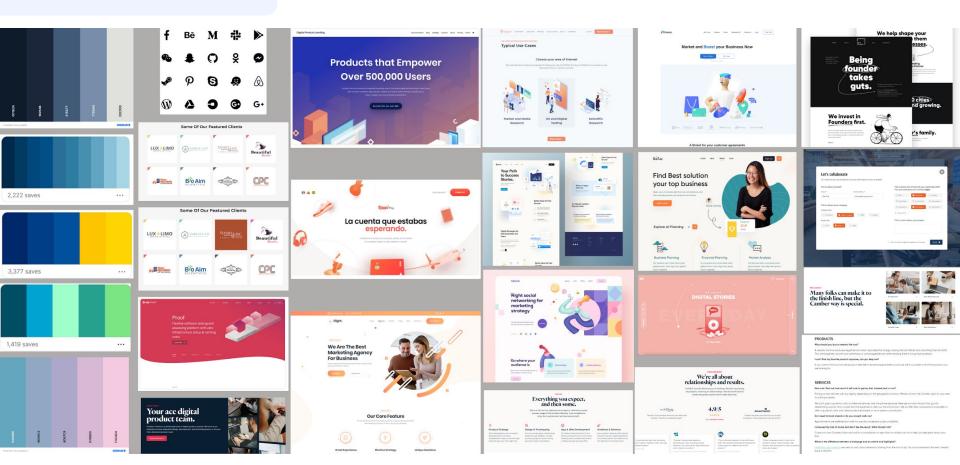
## Sketches

We all sketched or created a digital sketch of how we envisioned our website looking.

Dot voting was a great way for us to incorporate our favourite features from each of our sketches. From here we were able to create a low fidelity clickable prototype so we can test our design.



## MoodBoard



# Site Map

## Legend:

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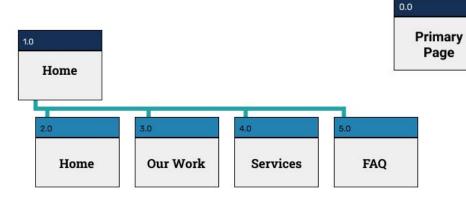
**Primary** 

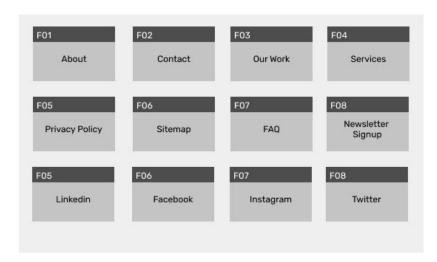
Navigation

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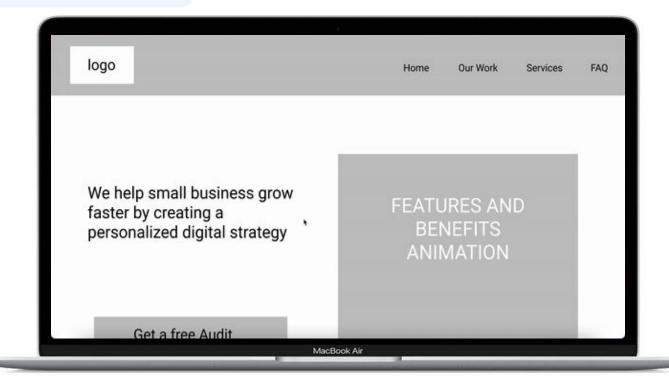
Footer

Navigation





# Lo-Fi Prototype



# Usability Testing Plan

As we prepare to test our prototype we created a usability testing plan:

### **Objective**

• To identify any navigation and content layout issues and opportunities for our Web Service Agency (Webtrepreneur)

### **Questions We Want Answered**

- Is the user able to easily find what they are looking for?
- Does the user trust the agency and understand it's mission/goal?
- Does the user understand that the agency is targeted for small business owners?

### **Tasks**

- Locate "Our Work" on the website
- Locate "How Can We Help"
- Find where we describe the audit feature in detail

Full usability testing plan available at: Usability Testing Plan

# Lo-Fi Usability Testing Results

Audit **Feature** 

Audit feature what is it?

Did not find info on audit feature that easily

Didn't automatically know what an audit is

Thinks the audit is a great idea

Reword

Audit for

sure.

Thinks this was auditing for her business

Contact Form

Like to see "How can we help" in every page

There is nowhere to explain how we can help

how can we help form looks needv

Will there be a in call/chat bot feature?

No option to write message in form

Found the "How can we help" easily

Visuals

Like to see

more

minimal

look

Doesn't want

to have to

read so much -

imagery will be

important

Feels like the

homepage

have a lot of

information

Nice skeleton of a web agency

likes the layout so far

Wants more colours and pictures in order to trust the website

Our Work

If Our Work would be in the homepage - needs to be impactful

Likes our work in the nav - gives it separation

If none, wants to see "What you are working on"

Easily located "Our Work" well laid out and clean

Our work page shows client instead of work

> I like that it is on your nav bar, makes it easier to look for

Other

Doesn't think we call out what we do in a clear enough way

Wants. website for his business selling clothes

Thinks we should add careers to the footer

he makes

should go digital Has a website

for her

Stationary

"If it's your first

website or you're

experienced we're

here for you"

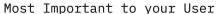
Not very tech

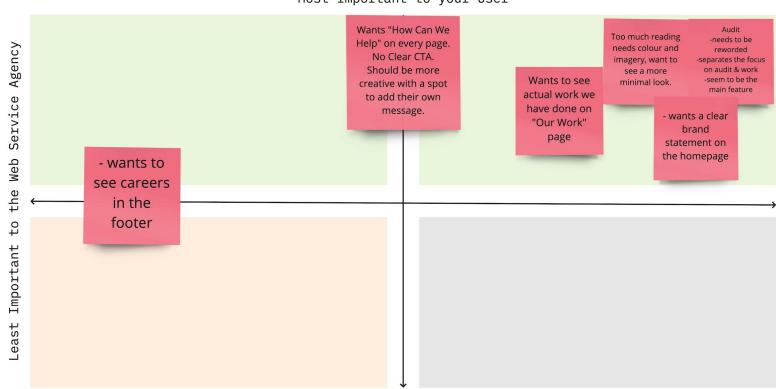
savvy but

knows he

event business

## Lo-Fi Feature Prioritization Matrix





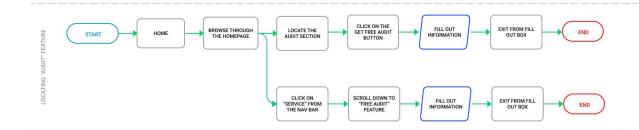
Most Important to the Web

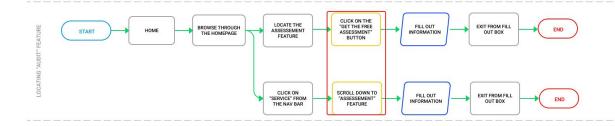
Service Agency

Least important to your User

## User Flow - Iterated

From this testing we also iterated our final User Flow just by changing the "Audit" word to "Assessment" as part of our user's important feedback.







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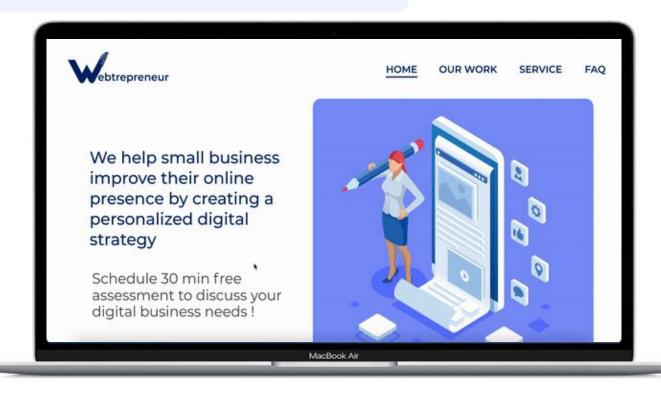
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# Hi-Fi Prototype - Version One



# UI Style Guide

### Starter Design System

### Logo

#### Primary Logo

#### Secondary Logo





### Colors

Primaries and Grays



### **Typography**

Heading 1 Montserrat Medium - 40px

https://fonts.google.com/specimen/Mon tserrat

Heading 2 Montserrat Medium - 35px

Heading 3 Montserrat Regular - 35px

Body Montserrat Regular - 24px

Main Nav Montserrat SemiBold - 24px



Tabs

Tab Active Tab Inactive Tab Hovered

**Forms** 



**Icons** 







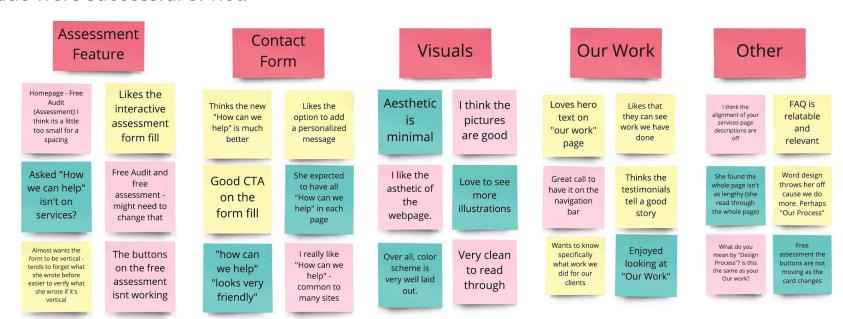


### **Photography**

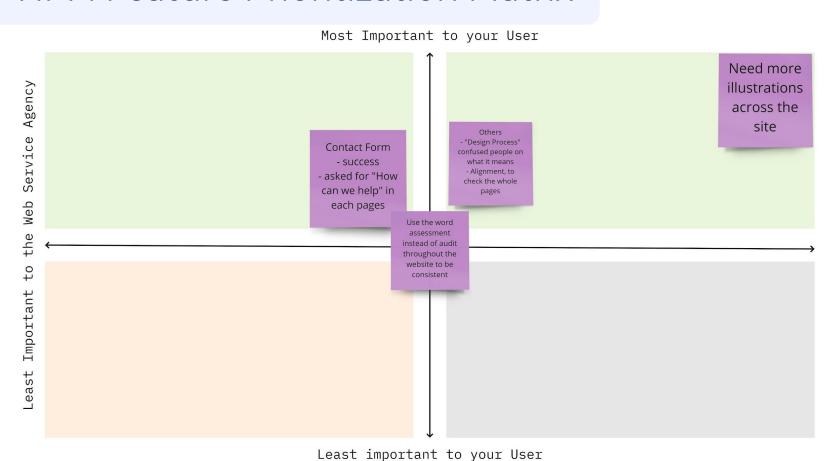


# Hi-Fi Prototype Usability Testing Results

For this round of testing we decided to use the same testing plan to see the iterations we made were successful or not.



## Hi-Fi Feature Prioritization Matrix



Agency Web Service the 40 Important Most

# Hi-Fi Prototype Iterations (Redlining)

Upon completion of our final round of testing we made some finishing touches iterations.

We discovered during testing that the header "Design Process" was confusing some of our users. As a result, we decided to change it to "Our Process." This is much more clear to users.

Right below that section, our "Services" tab had some spacing issues. That was an easy fix and it is now much easier on the eye.

### DESIGN PROCESS





#### Consultation

We start with a one on one consultation to really understand your business model and goals.

#### Strategy

Based on your specific business needs we come up with a strategy for you which is harmonized with your vision.

#### Develop

From there we execute and start to analyze and measure changes so we can adapt to forthcoming needs of the business.

#### **SERVICES**



#### Web Design

Having a user friendly and attractive website is now more important than ever, to adapt in the digital age we build a website for you which you and your clients will love.

#### Digital Marketing

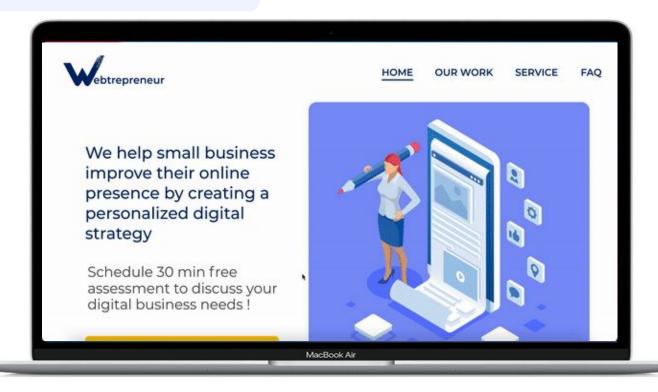
A quality digital marketing strategy is the secret sauce of every successful business. To generate traffic and increase we match you with the right marketing model for your business.

#### Social media

Social media management takes a lot of time and effort, by managing your social platforms we ensure you have a smooth sales funnel in place.

All redline documents: Redline

# Final Hi-Fi Prototype





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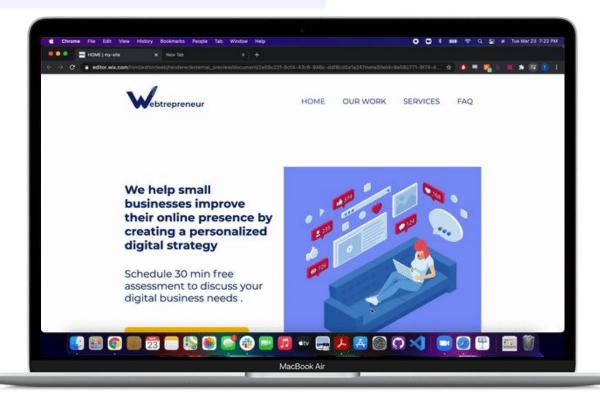
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# Wix Design Final Design





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# Case Study Conclusion

Throughout our design process we learned that existing digital agencies are intimidating for small business owners to approach. The complexity and technical terms of such services, make it difficult for non-tech savvy individuals to confidently understand and commit to them.

By developing a one stop digital agency website for small business owners, we hope to have simplified the access to all digital business needs of the common user.

# Future Development

Moving forward we have prioritized where we should be allocating our time. For starters we plan to:

- 1) Complete all aspects that are incomplete
  - a) Complete all the pages for the footer
  - b) Complete FAQ answers and keep FAQ up to date
- 2) Display more of our work
  - a) Call out better what we did for each client
  - b) This will help with trust for future clients
- 3) Keep the website up to date, relevant
- 4) Expand our services while maintaining trust with our current and future clients
- 5) Making sure we can incorporate some analytics on our website to ensure its continued success

### Final Work Links