

RENOVATE VS. MOVE SCORECARD

(FILL IN 1-5)

SCALE: 1 = STRONGLY DISAGREE · 3 = NEUTRAL · 5 = STRONGLY AGREE

TIP: DON'T OVERTHINK IT. YOUR FIRST INSTINCT IS USUALLY RIGHT.



RENOVATE & STAY

1. I love my location, and I'd pay to keep it. _____
2. I can live with construction disruption, or phase the work. _____
3. The home's "bones" are solid (not all big-ticket items failing at once). _____
4. The changes I need are realistic (not a full re-build). _____
5. Keeping my current mortgage/ rate meaningfully improves affordability vs. moving. _____
6. I can get the outcome I want without changing my address. _____

Renovate & Stay total
(add 1-6): _____ / 30

MOVE

1. I need a fundamentally different home (one-floor living, less upkeep, or different size). _____
2. The issues feel stacked (layout + systems + roof + drainage + electrical, etc.). _____
3. I don't want renovation stress, dust, delays, and decision fatigue. _____
4. Even after renovating, the house would still have major compromises. _____
5. I'd rather pay for finished space than manage a project. _____
6. I can accept tradeoffs (HOA fees, less storage, different parking), if needed. _____
7. I can handle the moving math (closing costs, potential rate change) and still sleep at night. _____

Move total
(add 1-7): _____ / 35



RESULTS

- If one total is clearly higher, that's usually your answer.
- If they're close, use the tie-breakers below.

TIE-BREAKERS (ONE SENTENCE EACH)

1. Can this home work for the next 5 years with realistic changes? _____
2. What matters most next: space, simplicity, or location? _____
3. Which stress do you prefer: renovation stress or moving stress? _____