

CAG 101

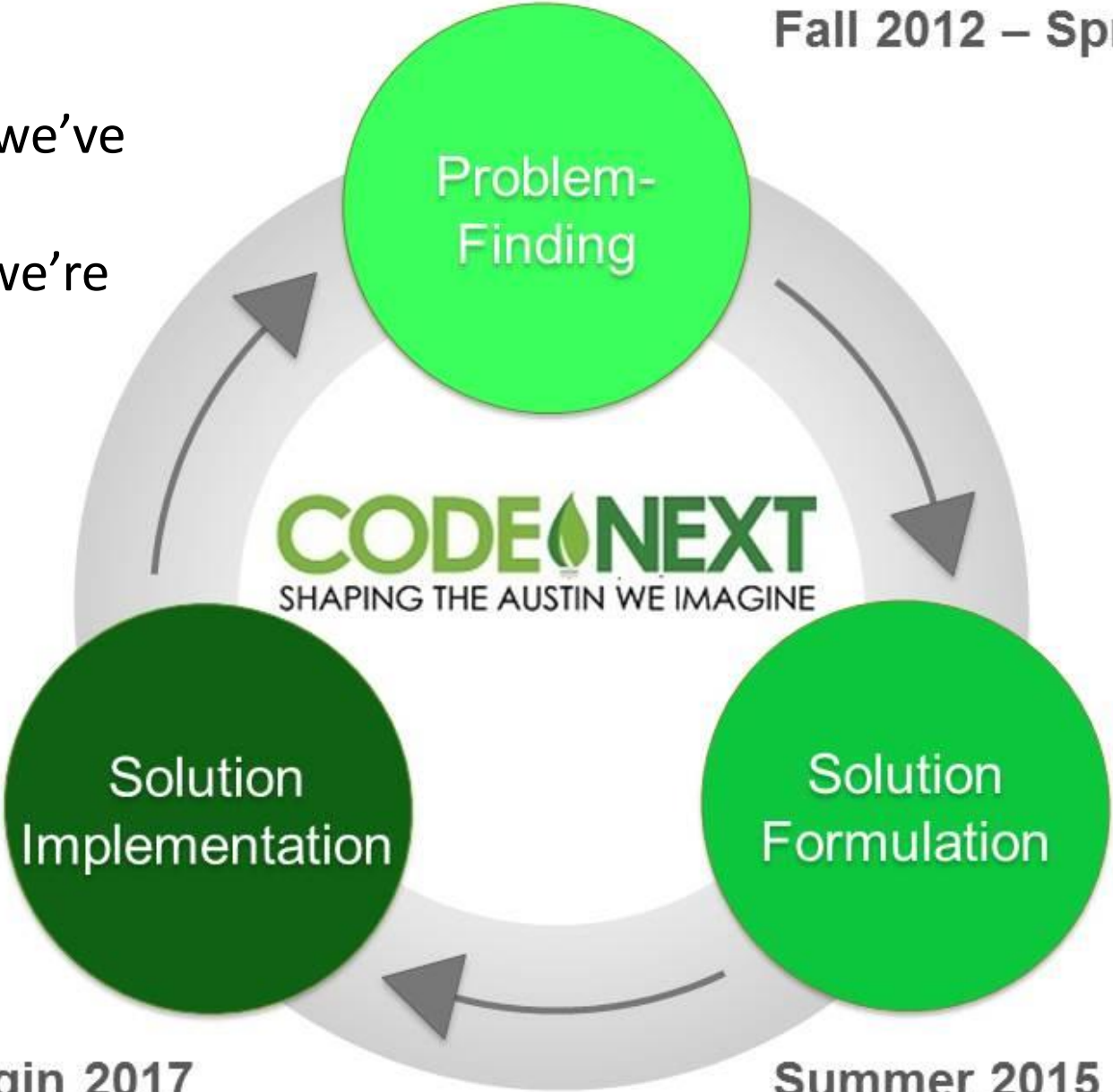
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- How to maximize effectiveness of service on the CAG.
- Our meeting formats: what do you think?

Role of the CAG

- *Resolution #20150521-026*: Assist in public outreach & provide feedback on development & implementation of a revised land development code.
- We can pass resolutions on any agenda item, and send to Staff or Council, or to the Consultant (but only via the Staff).
- We can talk to stakeholders and the Press.
- We cannot direct staff or the consultant.

Fall 2012 – Spring 2015

Where we've
been &
where we're
going...



Begin 2017

Summer 2015 – Fall 2016

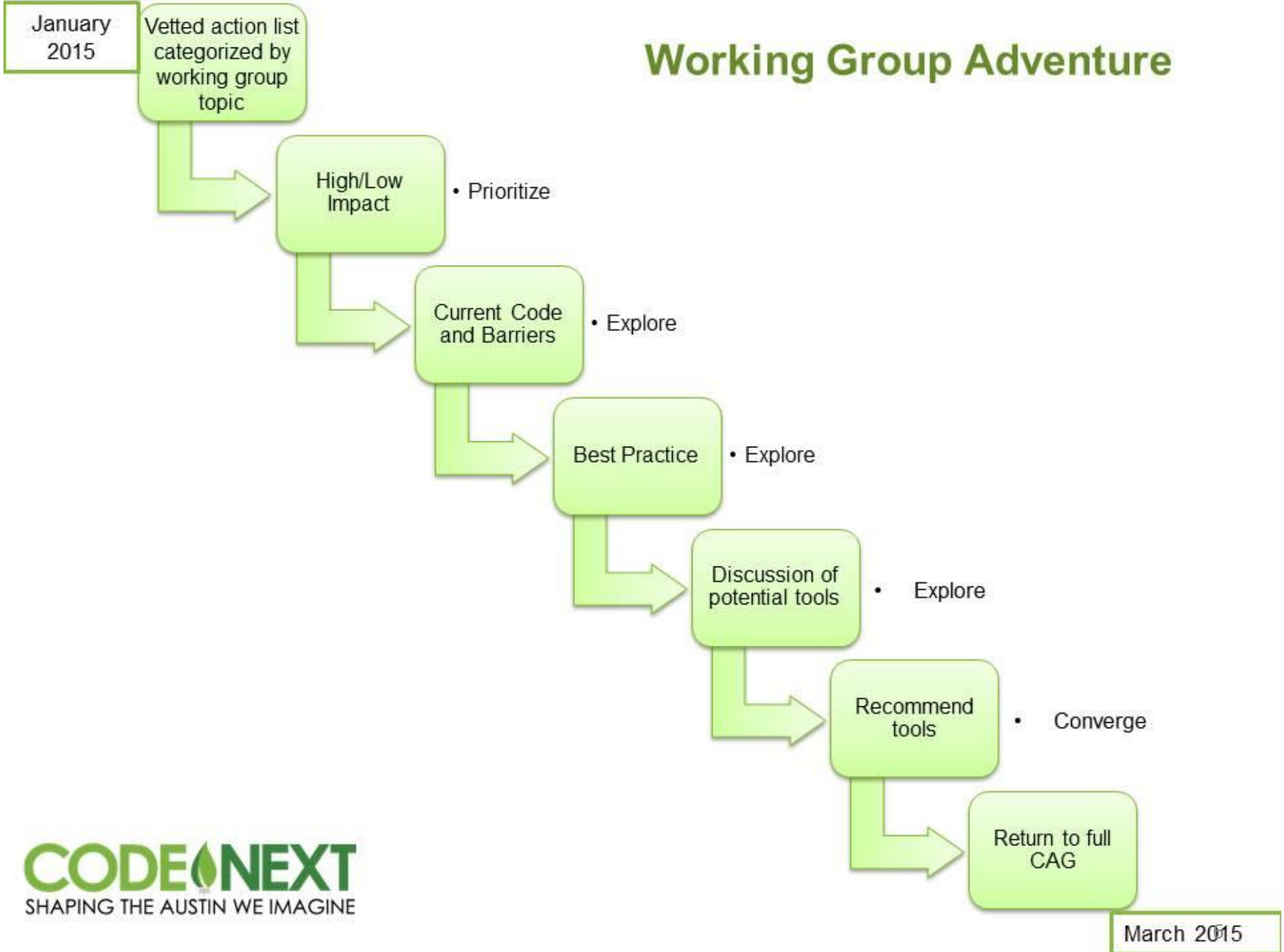
Where we've been...

- CAG resolutions on work products
 - Informal Outreach - January 2013 – CAG suggested stakeholders; many members went to speak with stakeholders
 - Listening to the Community Report - April 2014 – reviewed and accepted by the CAG
 - Community Character Manual - May 2014 – reviewed and accepted by the CAG
 - Code Diagnosis - May 2014 – CAG offered several amendments
 - Approach Alternatives & Annotated Outlines - September 2014 – CAG supported “Option 2.5” for an aggressive re-write with broad application of form-based code
- Working groups

CAG Workgroups

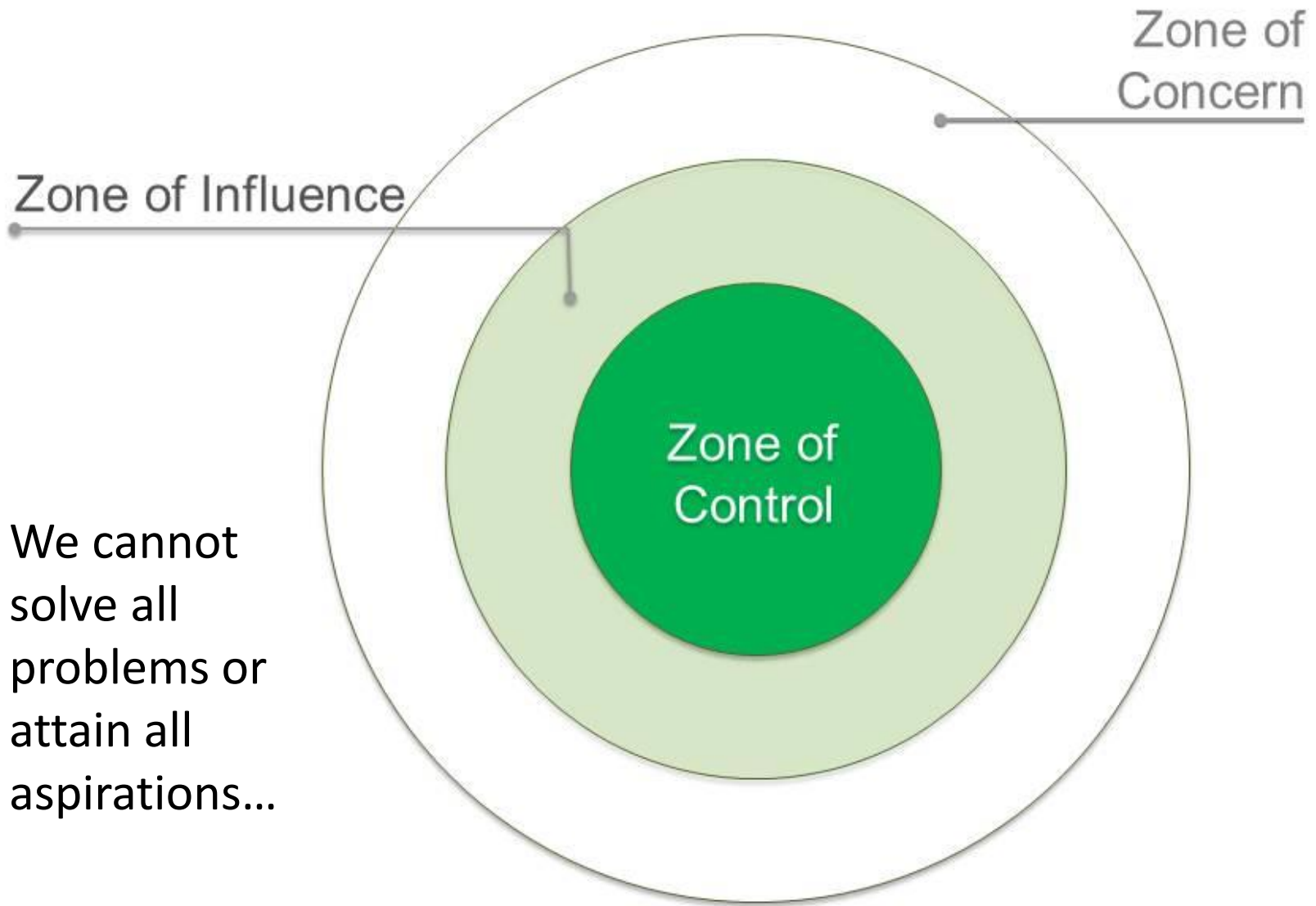
- CAG split up into three work groups to address areas for which the consultant wanted help
 - Household affordability
 - Infill & compatibility
 - Barriers to small businesses
- Members of the public CoA boards and commissions participated
- CoA Innovation Officer assisted in the process
- Additional workgroups were composed by City Staff, and some CAG members participated

Working Group Adventure



What should CAG members know?

- Austin demographics:
<http://www.austintexas.gov/page/top-ten-demographic-trends-austin-texas>
- The City Charter requires “all city regulatory actions relating to land use, subdivision & development approval consistent w comp plan.”
- “various types of local regs or laws concerning development of land may be combined in in a single ordinance known as the LDC.”
- Comp Plan = ***Imagine Austin***, adopted 2012



We cannot solve all problems or attain all aspirations...

How to maximize effectiveness of service on the CAG

- Attend CAG mtgs
- Attend Imagine Austin & CodeNEXT talks
- Read up on the best practices in urban planning
- Meet with stakeholders to gather opinions and ideas
- Submit your personal findings to the CAG, Staff, & Consultants
- Spread the word about our work

Our meeting formats: what do you think?

- We have traditionally held two types of meetings:
 - Monthly meeting with briefings, occasional votes, public comment, team response
 - Quarterly hold 90-minute public comment mtg, at locations around the city (Carver, Millwood, Terrazas, Pleasant Hill, South East Branch Libs.)
- Hybrid meeting format:
 - Chair convenes meeting, calls for motions & votes.
 - Professional Facilitator calls on speakers from CAG, staff, consultant, public.