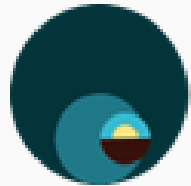


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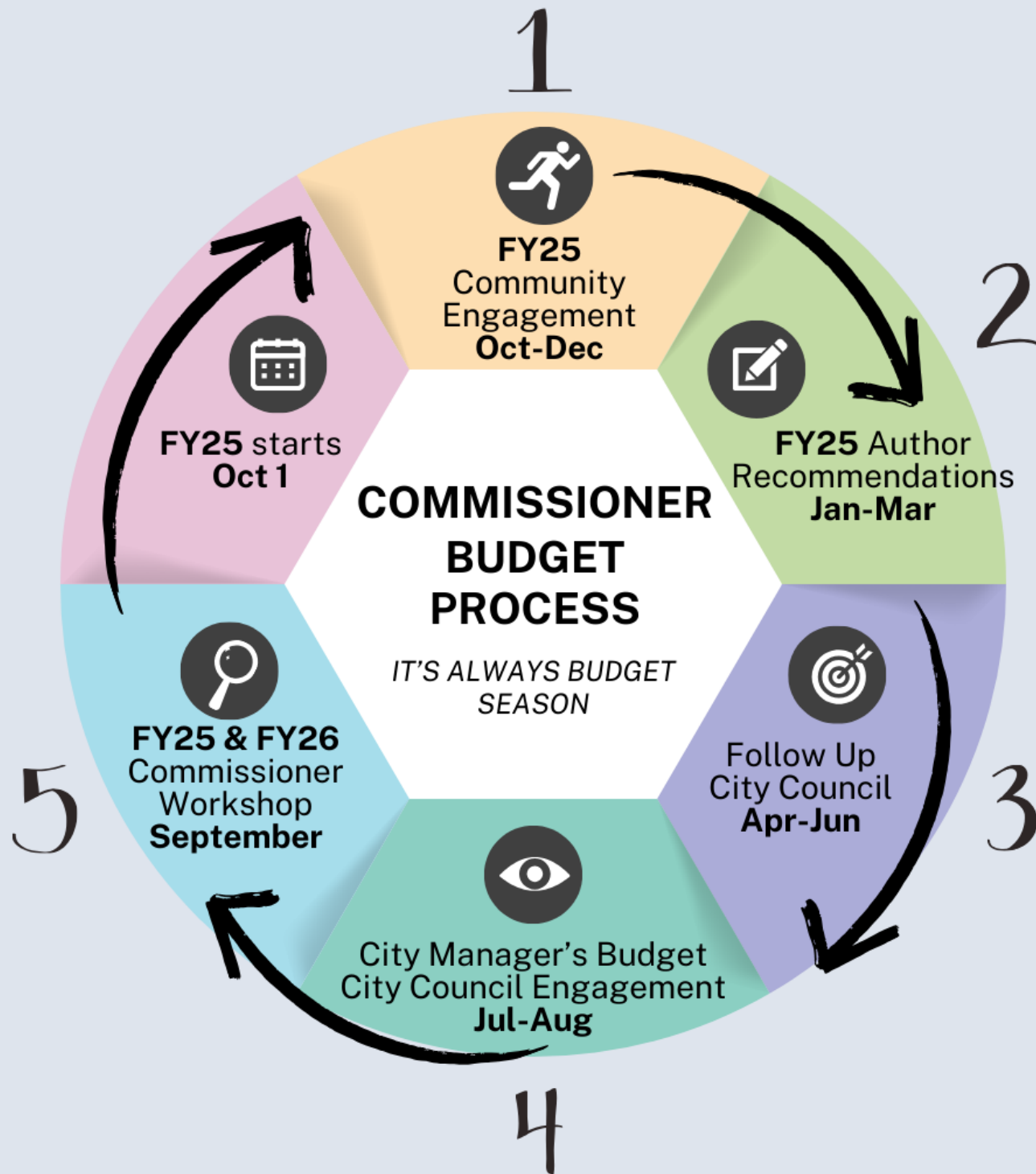
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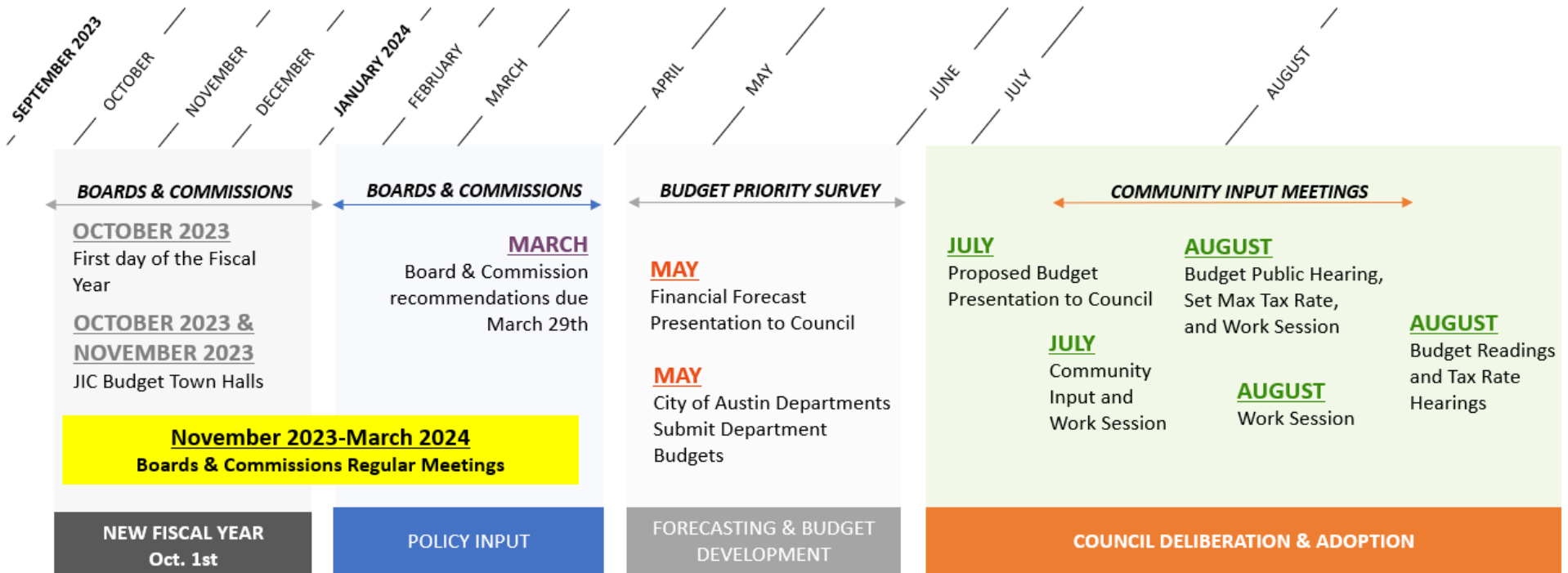
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FY25 Budget Timeline



The Joint Inclusion Committee

African American Resource Commission	Early Childhood Council
Asian American Quality-of-Life Advisory Commission	Hispanic/Latino Quality-of-Life Resource Advisory Commission
Commission for Women	Human Rights Commission
Commission on Aging	LGBTQ+ Quality-of-Life Advisory Commission
Commission on Immigrant Affairs	Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities

Examples of Other Commissions

Parks and Recreation Board	Commission for Veteran Affairs
Arts Commission	Planning Commission
Bond Oversight Commission	Historic Landmark commission
Environmental Commission	Urban Transportation Commission
Public Safety Commission	Library Commission

Support for Quality-of-Life Commissions

1: History of Exclusion & Underrepresentation

2: Created to help elevate the voices of the most vulnerable & directly impacted communities

3: Commissioners are given elevated privilege:
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4: Council wants community to come to commissions, and then Commissions to advise Council

Community

Need for specific program or service.

Commissions

Commissions call City Departments

Commissioners write formal recommendations on more services/programs

Commissioners follow up by calling the city council members that appointment them to discuss needs and recommendations

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City Departments & City Council

City Departments build relationships with commissioners.

City Council relies on Commissioners.

Commissioners use their elevated positions to advise the city when it makes decisions that impact vulnerable and underrepresented communities.

Community

Immigrant Services & Legal Aid in Travis County

Community Health Workers

Emergency Rental Assistance

Requests for new or updated Cultural & Community Centers; like the Gus Garcia Senior Center in Northeast Austin

Commissions

Calls upon the relevant **City Departments** to gather information about the capacity/possibility **to provide for these needs.**

Writes formal recommendations to City Council, advising them to take action on these issues; **like, more funding for specific services/programs.**

Speaks directly to the City Council Members who appointed them, **to influence** by describe needs and why recommendations resolve issues.

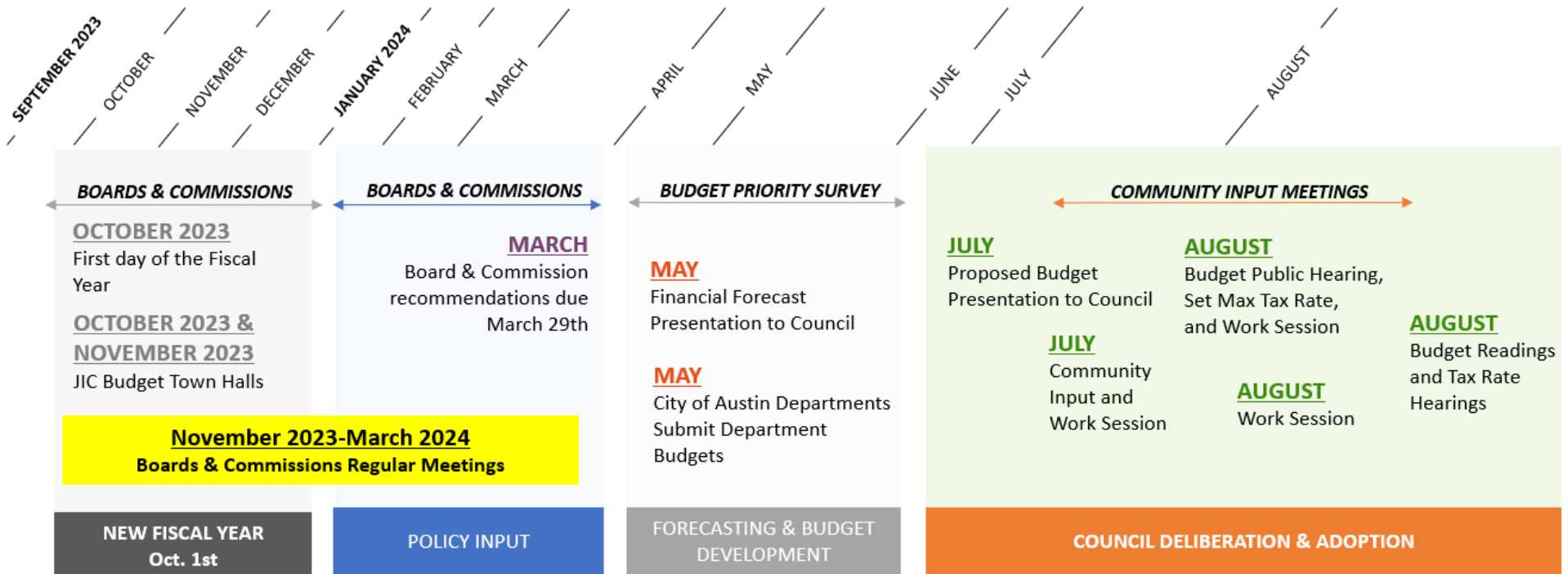
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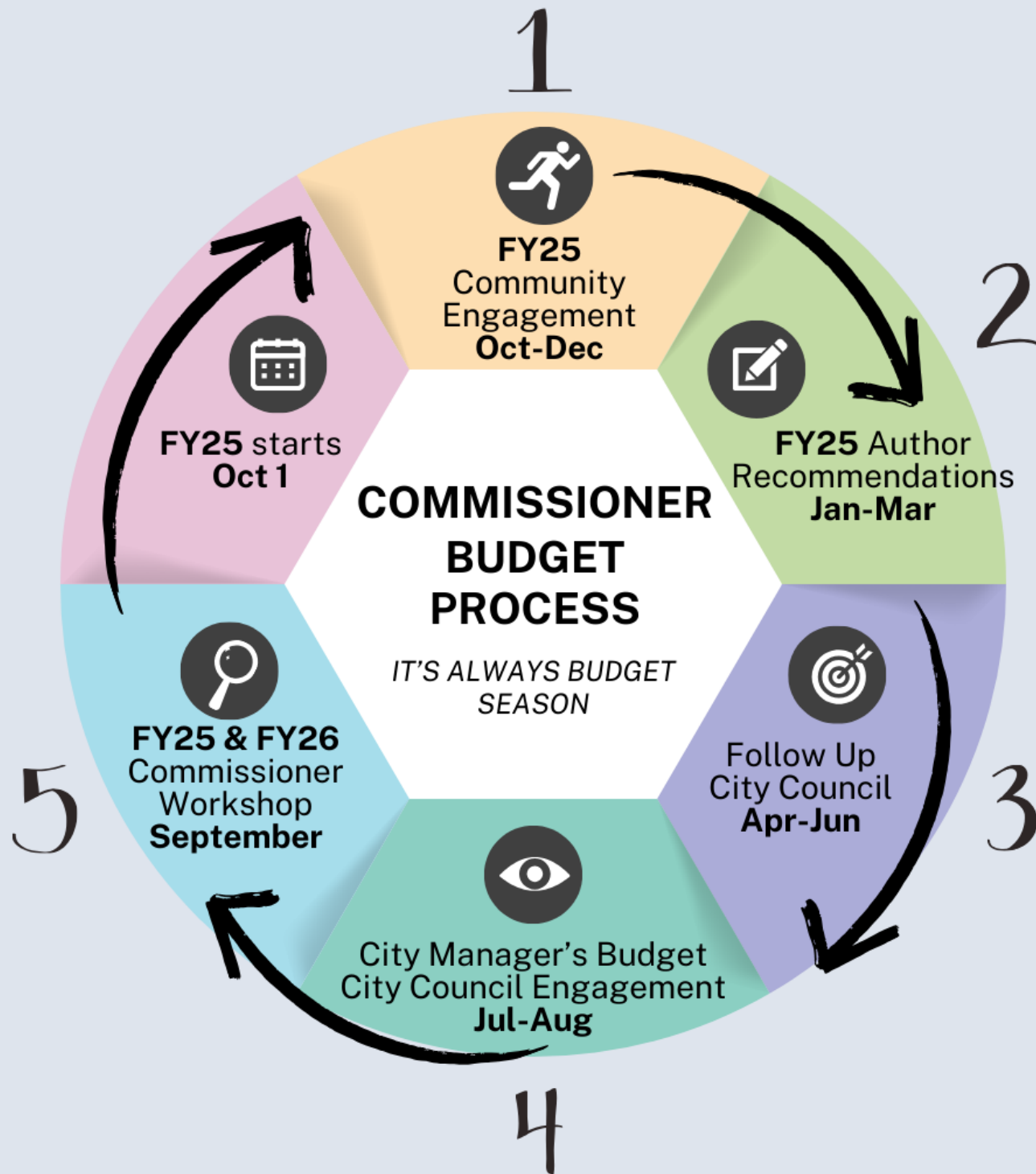
City Departments build relationships with commissioners to work on providing unmet needs for communities through services and programs.

City Council relies on commissions to be a privileged voice for community needs.

Since 2016, the Commissions have worked to build a culture of inclusion, so that all communities are heard, and Commissioners use their elevated positions to advise the city when it makes decisions that impact vulnerable and underrepresented communities.

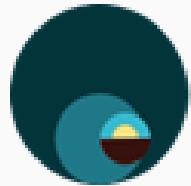
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- Wednesday, October 18th, 2023 (in person)
- Tuesday, October 24th, 2023 (virtually)
- Saturday, November 4th, 2023 (in person)



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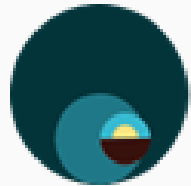


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Questions?

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