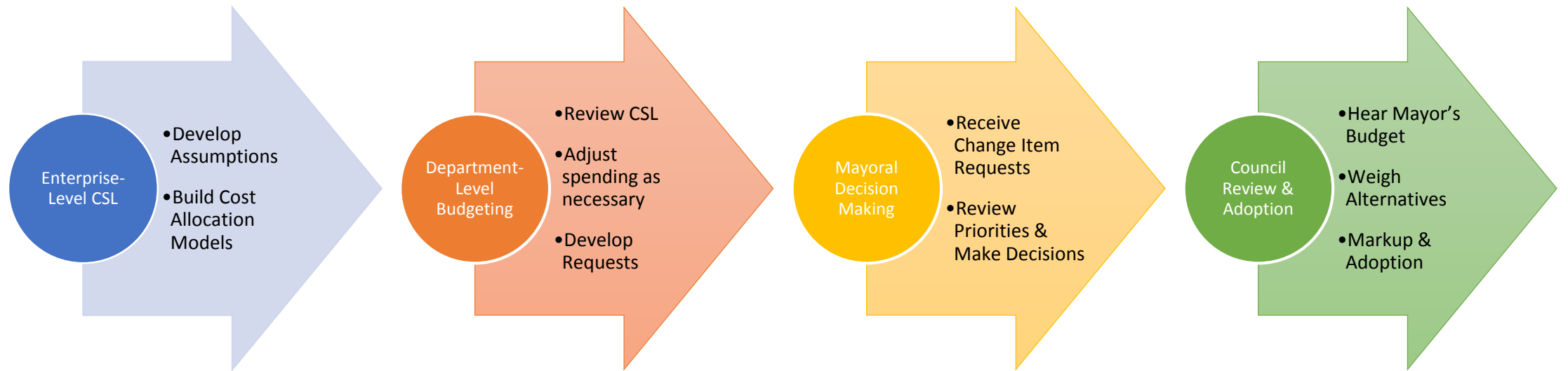




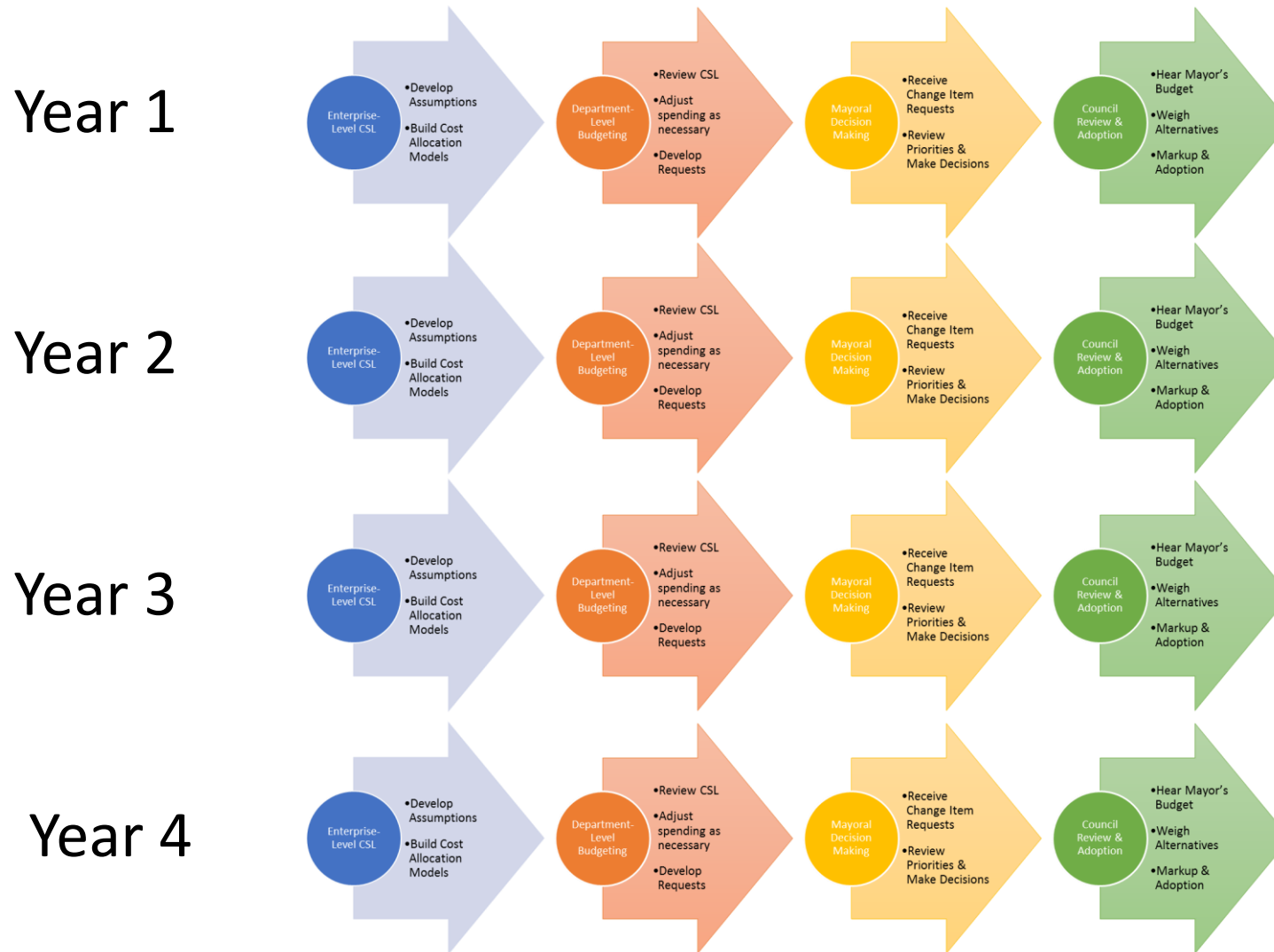
Biennial Budgeting in Minneapolis

Changes for Budget Stability & Evaluation Capacity

Current State



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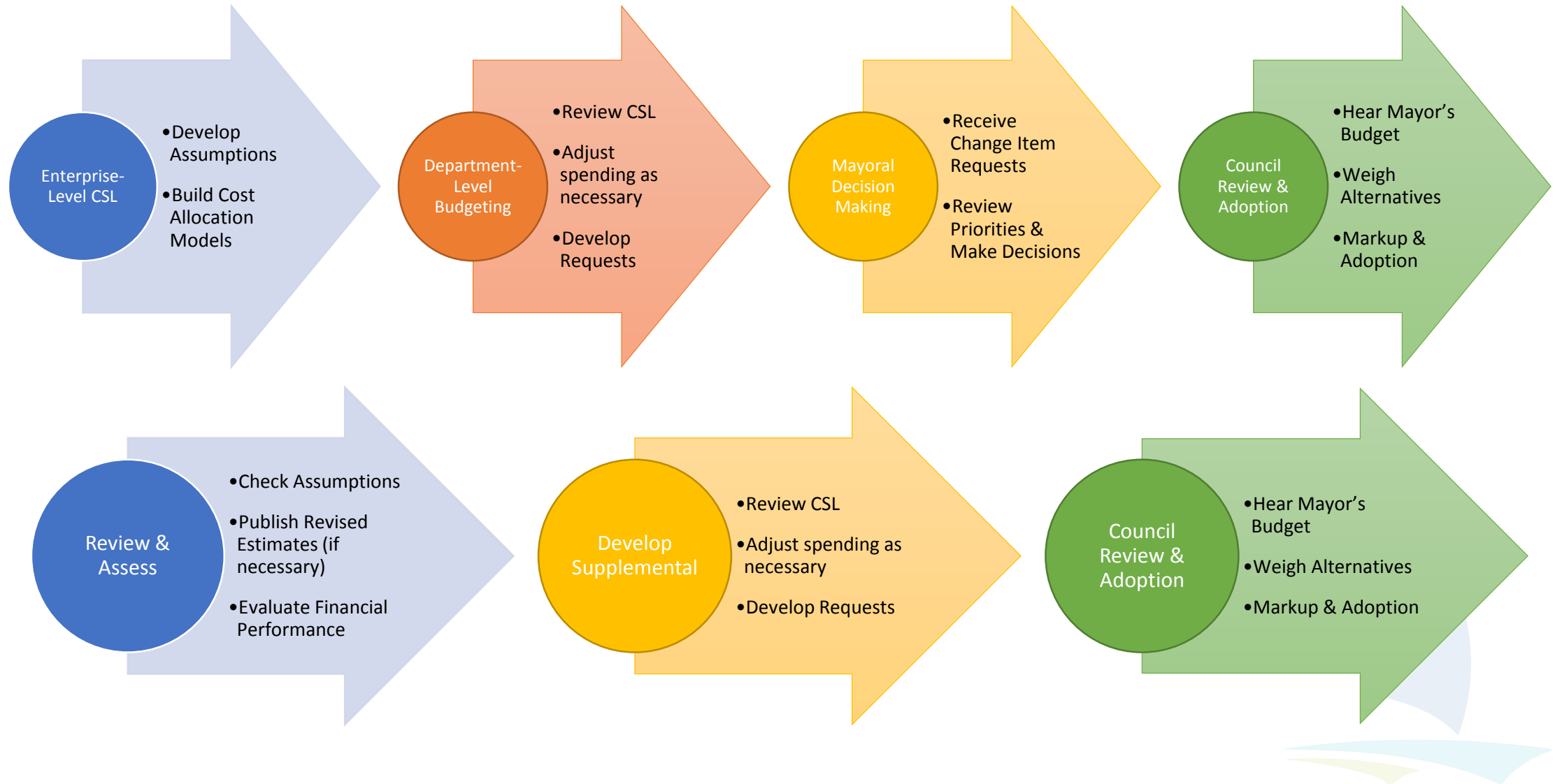
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Problem Statement: The City of Minneapolis spends too much time writing a budget; not enough time budgeting.

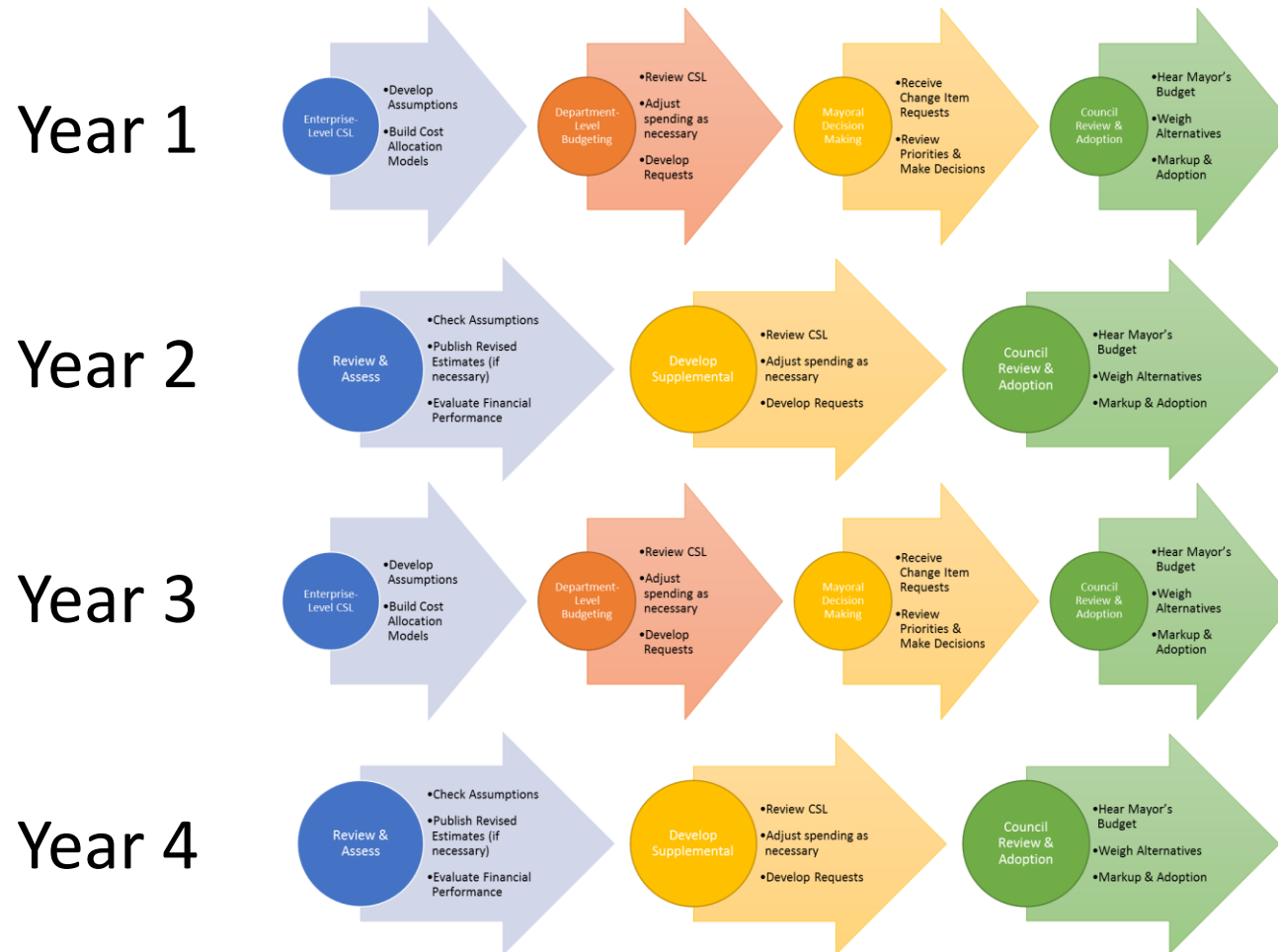
- Continuous Cycle of Budget Writing
 - Document production drives decision-making timelines
 - Departments experience budget burnout
- Little Room for Planning & Evaluation
 - Pilot programs barely take flight before full funding requests are made
 - Long-range financial vision is obscured by continual decision-making



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Future State

- Budget in Even Years; Evaluate in Odd Years
 - Levies are still set annually, as required by law
 - Supplemental budget process can be used as needed
 - Can continue to amend throughout the year as needed
- Builds space for program and financial performance evaluation
- Additional Benefits
 - Better alignment of appropriation cycles with financial planning
 - Creates opportunities to redeploy staff to other pressing work
 - Shifts budget focus from outputs to outcomes

