

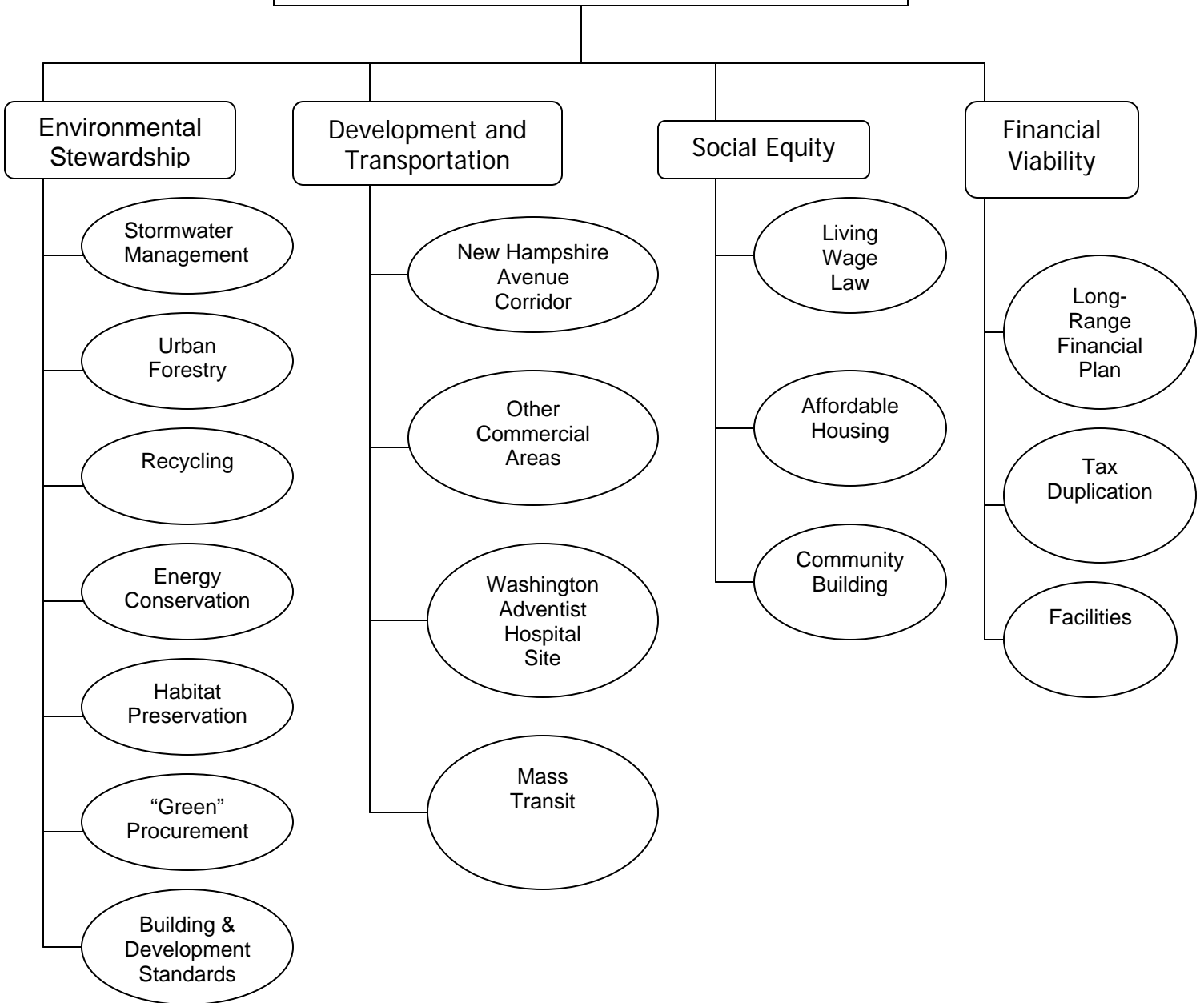
Worksession

Agenda Item #	6
Meeting Date	February 11, 2008
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Discussion Item	Identification of Council Priorities
Background	<p>A general election was held in November 2007, and a new Council subsequently took office. On January 31, 2008, the Council held a worksession to begin the process of setting priorities for their term of office. This discussion will continue on February 11, 2008.</p> <p>In preparation for the February 11 worksession, staff has drafted some possible priority areas for the Council’s consideration. The areas reflect the community feedback received through the resident survey process, as well as from the Council discussion on January 31. They are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainability • Livable Community • Engaged, Responsive, and Service-Oriented Organization <p>Staff has prepared an outline, reflecting some of the programmatic elements that are components of each policy area.</p>
Policy	The City Council is the policymaking making body for the City of Takoma Park and establishes organizational priorities through direction given to the City Manager.
Fiscal Impact	None—Discussion Only
Attachments	Outline for Possible Council Priority Areas
Recommendation	Staff recommends that the City Council consider the information prepared by staff, discuss other policy areas of interest, and reach consensus on the priorities to be pursued. As part of this discussion, staff suggests that the Council also agree on the objectives to be achieved through the City’s efforts.
Special Consideration	

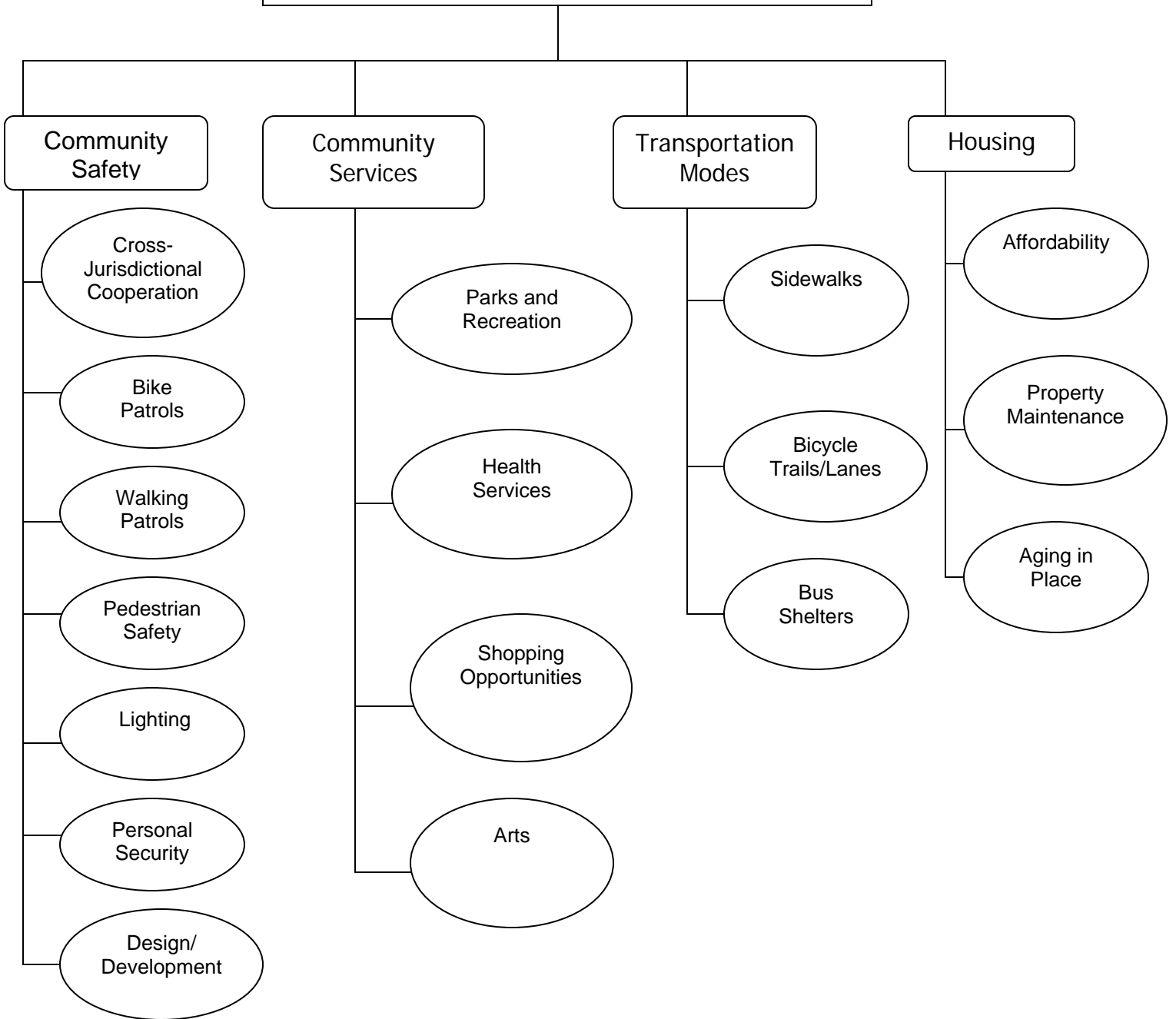
Sustainability

Work in partnership with City residents, the business community, and other governmental agencies to build a more sustainable Takoma Park.



Livable Community

Work in partnership with City residents, the business community, schools, and other governmental agencies to build a more livable Takoma Park.



Engaged, Responsive, and Service-Oriented Organization

Enhance the responsiveness and the provision of City services through engagement with the community.

