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**MINUTES**

**HEALTH COMMISSION COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Tuesday May 17, 2022 2:00 p.m.**

**Remote Meeting via Webex Event**

**1) CALL TO ORDER**

Present: Commissioner Suzanne Giraudo, Ph.D , Chair  
Commissioner Cecilia Chung, Member

Excused: Commissioner Susan Belinda Christian, J.D.

The meeting was called to order at 2:02pm.

**2) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE HEALTH COMMISSION COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING OF APRIL 19, 2022 MEETING**

Action Taken: The Health Commission unanimously approved the April 19, 2022 meeting minutes.

**3) DPH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES INTERNSHIP PIPELINE UPDATE**

This item was deferred to the July 19, 2022 meeting.

**4) SUGARY DRINKS DISTRIBUTOR TAX UPDATE**

Christina Goette, MPH, Community Health Equity and Promotion Branch, presented the item.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Giraudo noted that on slide 14, the sample size is small. She would prefer to have more data and use a scale measuring physical activity. Ms. Goette stated that one of the reasons the sample size is small is because during much of the COVID-19 pandemic the epidemiologist working on evaluation was activated to the City's COVID efforts. She noted that the team is working on ways to enlarge the sample size.

Commissioner Giraudo asked if consumption rates during the pandemic are known. Ms. Goette stated that the DPH will be purchasing consumption data for months of the pandemic and will share the analysis once it is available.

Commissioner Chung noted that the manner in which data is being tracked, it is not possible to understand if consumption habits of distinct groups (e.g. children and youth) have been impacted. Ms. Goette stated that the hope had been that funded organizations would ask participants this information, capturing more demographic data. She noted that the team is working to develop other effective ways of data collection.

Commissioner Chung asked if hard seltzer and other sweet liquor drinks fall under the category of sugary sweet drinks. Ms. Goette stated that the soda tax omits alcoholic beverages. She added that the DPH datasets do not include alcoholic beverages.

Commissioner Giraudo asked if the San Francisco Unified School District has data on its vending machine top purchases. Ms. Goette noted that the school vending machines should have no sugary drinks, based on a 2015 school policy. Commissioner Giraudo suggested that a summer intern may be able to collect and analyze this data to better understand the consumption trends of school aged youth.

**5) EMERGING ISSUES**

This item was not discussed.

**6) PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**7) ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:38pm.