

# **Sugary Drinks Distributor Tax Advisory Committee**

## ***Subcommittee: Data and Evidence (D/E)***

### **MINUTES**

**August 12, 2026 – 10:00AM**

**25 Van Ness, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room**

**San Francisco, CA 94102**

#### **Order of Business:**

- 1. Call to Order / Roll Call** [discussion and action] Meeting called to order at: 10:19am  
Members present: Tiffany Kenison, Jamey Schmidt, Clara Obstfeld, Abby Cabrera  
Staff: Cathleen Xing, Kaela Plank, Marianne Szeto, Melinda Martin, Phil Lowenthal
- 2. Approval of June Meeting Minutes**  
Tiffany motions to approve. Abby seconds. 3 votes, motion passes.
- 3. Review and Consider Agenda**  
Jamey motions to approve. Tiffany seconds. 3 votes, agenda is approved.
- 4. General Public Comment** - No public comment
- 5. Housekeeping**
  - a. SDDTAC member updates:
    - Youth seat – member’s last SDDTAC meeting on August 19<sup>th</sup>, college bound
    - Oral health seat – member resigned from seat due to work duties and responsibilities, backbone staff will work with DPH leadership on oral health seat appointment
    - DCYF seat – new member Clara Obstfeld appointed by DCYF
    - RPD seat – new member Monica Ferrey appointed by RPD
  - b. SDDTAC Budget Recommendations Process Survey – reminder to complete survey, deadline to complete survey August 14, 2026. The survey results will be reviewed at August 19 SDDTAC meeting.
  - c. SB 707 Brown Act revisions  
Staff share that all public bodies including the SDDTAC meetings are required to be held in person due to the revisions to the Senate Bill 707 Brown Act.
- 6. Brown Act Subsidiary Bodies Teleconference Requirements**  
Staff share process and process and timeline of the Brown Act requirements for subsidiary bodies to meet virtually. According to the Brown Act, the following is defined for members who aren’t able to join the meetings in person: “The Act defines “just cause” narrowly: (1) childcare

or family-care needs; (2) specific health or medical needs (contagious disease, immunocompromised family member, physical or family medical emergency, or a physical/mental condition not subject to disability accommodation); (3) military service obligations; and (4) travel while on official business of the policy body or another state or local agency. The City Attorney's memorandum further notes that "routine personal or business travel does not qualify." Attending school—whether locally or out of state, including Yale—is personal, planned, and voluntary." Members discuss SB 707 Brown Act revisions and the request to the SDDTAC for the data and evidence subcommittee to meet virtually.

Jamey motions to move discussions forward and request to the SDDTAC for the data & evidence subcommittee to meet virtually and add to August SDDTAC meeting agenda. Tiffany seconds. 3 votes, motion passes.

#### **7. 2026 SDDT Data Brief, DPH Center for Data Science**

DPH Center for Data Science staff present 2026 SDDT data brief data. Data on sugary drink sales, adult/youth sugary drink consumption, youth water consumption, food insecurity by neighborhoods, oral health, morbidity, and life expectancy was presented.

Members suggest for the 2026 data brief:

- Highlight the top 5 food insecure neighborhoods
- On the food insecurity map, label Chinatown and Treasure Island.
- Explore potentially noting when big events happen in SF on the ounces of SSB sold per quarter chart to explain spikes in sales.
- Note in the Life Expectancy chart that NHOPI is not included
- Potentially add youth dental data if available.

#### **8. Data Point Sharing – No data points to share**

#### **9. Proposed Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

- SDDTAC Implementation Plan
- Updates from DPH/Center for Data Science
- Debrief of InAdvance presentation at August SDDTAC meeting
- Upcoming budget season discussion
- Evaluation
- November meeting data change

#### **10. Announcements**

- 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Shape Up SF Coalition (SUSF), month of September, different celebrations with CBOs and to promote. Next SUSF Meeting at Community Well 9/17/25.

#### **11. Adjournment**

Tiffany motions to adjourn. Jamey seconds. Meeting is adjourned at 11:30am.