

# **Sugary Drinks Distributor Tax Advisory Committee Data & Evidence Subcommittee**

## **Draft Minutes**

September 9, 2026 - 10:00AM

1. Call to Order/Roll Call – Meeting called to order: 10:03am  
SDDTAC members present: Laura Urban, Saeeda Hafiz, Jamey Schmidt, Abby Cabrera, Tiffany Kenison, Monica Ferrey  
Staff: Jacklyn Wong, Kaela Plank, Marianne Szeto, Cathleen Xing
2. Approval of August Meeting Minutes  
Abby motions to approve minutes. Saeeda seconds. 4 votes motion passes.
3. Review and Consider Agenda  
Jamey motions to approve agenda. Abby seconds, 4 votes, motions passes.
4. General Public Comment – no public comment
5. Housekeeping
  - Staff thanks members for being able to transition quickly to attend meeting virtually due to fire incident at 25 Van Ness
  - Food coordination legislation to be reviewed by Board of Supervisors Rules Committee on 9/14/26 [and Community Engagement meetings for the Biennial Food Security & Equity Report on 9/29/26 at 25 Van Ness](#)
  - Shape Up SF Coalition will hold its coalition meeting on 9/17 at Community Well at 12pm and the [Health Commission will be honoring the coalition on its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a resolution on 9/21/26.](#)

Member shared that SUSFC – PSEAT has invited Supervisor Mahmood (District 5) to discuss around work around grocery access. He is not available to attend but possibly his legislative staff. SUSFC backbone will follow up with legislative staff availability.

6. Review of Proposed SDDTAC Meeting Calendar Cadence  
Chair shared that staff and co-chairs discussed the possibility of changing SDDTAC meetings bimonthly. A proposed 2027 calendar was shared as well as justification for change, such as subcommittees will continue to meet monthly where most of the SDDT work will be completed, shift will help to ease the burden of meeting quorum for in person meetings, etc.  
Members agree to consider the proposed bimonthly SDDTAC meeting cadence and to revisit if the schedule is effective, as well as suggested recommendations that

subcommittee chairs meet with co-chairs to ensure alignment and to be updated throughout the process. Member suggested to ensure that the committee keeps the momentum of the work and not having to catch up each meeting. Members will discuss at September SDDTAC meeting and if a motion is presented, voting would happen at the October SDDTAC meeting.

7. Upcoming SDDT Budget Recommendations Discussion

Chair shared that at the previous SDDTAC meeting the results of the budget recommendation survey was reviewed. Knowing what the committee knows now, does the committee want to continue with two budgets? Member suggests SDDTAC hear what the administration is recommending but continue to remind administration that the community is saying and experiencing more issues when the beverage industry continues to harm our communities. The SDDTAC is to support the community and its needs through the SDDT budget recommendations. It's important that we continue and stick to the SDDTAC north star, the administration should inch towards our recommendations and not the SDDTAC inching towards the administration. Members agree with staying true to the north star recommendations and not conceding to the mayor's recommendations and to conduct more advocacy to prioritize our north star budget recommendations. Members agree to invite speakers to provide background and data on SDDTAC priority focus area to help inform SDDTAC budget recommendations.

8. SDDTAC Strategic Implementation Plan

No updates, staff will be meeting with Prasanthi to plan for next steps of the implementation plan. Stay tuned.

9. SDDT D/E November Meeting Change

Due to the November 2026 data and evidence subcommittee falling on a Veteran's Day Holiday, members discuss a meeting date change for November 12, 2026, 10am. Jamey motions to move November Data & Evidence subcommittee meeting date to Thursday, November 12, 2026, at 10am. Abby seconds. 5 votes, motion passes.

10. Data Point Sharing

Proposed rule change for Head Start – one of the changes includes the elimination of daily tooth brushing at Head Start sites. If it passes, Head Start sites would still have the option of daily tooth brushing, Mission Head Start presented at last Cavity Free SF meeting;

**Read the rule:** <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2026/08/07/2026-16134/reducing-federal-burden-for-head-start-programs>

**Submit a comment:** <https://www.regulations.gov/document/ACF-2026-0595-0001/comment>

11. Future agenda items for next meeting

- Strategic Implementation Plan
- Chairs debrief on meeting with DPH leadership
- 2026 SDDT data brief
- Vote on new SDDTAC members joining data & evidence subcommittee
- Nomination and vote for subcommittee chair

12. Announcement

- Sept 19, 2026 – [Children's Council hosting its City Kids Family Fair](#)

13. Adjournment

Abby motions to adjourn. Jamey seconds. 5 votes. Meeting is adjourned at 11:25am.