

Draft FSTF Meeting Minutes

June 5, 2024

1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

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Present: Paula Jones (SFDPH – Food Security/Office of Anti-Racism & Equity); Guillermo Reece (San Francisco African American Faith-Based Coalition); Jade Quizon (API Council); Tiffany Kearney (Department of Disability and Aging Services); Chester Williams (Community Living Campaign); Geoffrey Grier (SF Recovery Theater); Emily Cohen (SF Dept. of Homelessness and Supportive Housing); Anne Quaintance (Conard House); Mei Ling Hui (Urban Agriculture Program); Hannah Grant (Meals on Wheels SF); Lura Jones (Leah’s Pantry); Jeimil Belamide (HSA/CalFresh);

Also Present: Eric Chan (SFDPH/Office of Anti-Racism & Equity); Alex Goldman (SF Health Plan); Alexis Dailey (SFDPH/Office of Anti-Racism & Equity); Anna Duning (SF Mayor’s Office); Anthony Khalil (BVHP Community Advocates); Anthony Olubiyi, Asha Chirackal (Vouchers 4 Veggies/Eat SF); Beverly Bitagon (EPIBIO, UCSF); Brianna Carmona, Colleen Rivecca (TNDC); Emontes Ramirez; Erika Wong; Haley Nielsen (Farming Hope); Jack English (SF Mayor’s Office); Janna Cordeiro (Food as Medicine Collaborative); Josue Ruiz (Facente Consulting); Kaela Plank (Center for Data Science/SFDPH); Shelley Facente (Facente Consulting); Kalil Macklin (Anthem Blue Cross); Kimberly Jower (SFDPD Shelter Health); Leah Walton (Department of Disability and Aging Services); Linda Huerta (Homeless Prenatal Program); Luana Mears (NEOP, SFPDH); Lura Urban (Children’s Council of San Francisco); Melinda Martin (CHEP, SFDPH); Melinda Gordon; Mia Schwartz (Food as Medicine Collaborative); Michael Pon; Noriko Lim-Teppe (SFMFB); Sarah Nelson (18 Reasons); Serena Ngo (Hirsch Philanthropy Partners); Susie Smith (HSA); Tiffany Dang (Department of Disability and Aging Services); Tommy McClain (Citywide Food Access Team/HSA); Veronica Shepard (SFAAFBC)

Agenda Item	Discussion	Next Steps
1. Call order to order 1:30 p.m.	Call to order at 1:35 p.m.	None.
2. Land Acknowledgment 1:30 p.m.	Eric Chan recited the Land Acknowledgement.	None.
3. Welcome, member roll call, introductions, Paula Jones (Vice Chair, OARE/SFDPH) 1:35 p.m.	Eric Chan did roll call and Paula Jones introduced the agenda. Public Comment: None.	None.
4. Approval of minutes from May 1, 2024 1:40 p.m.	Hannah Grant made motion to approve meeting minutes. Geoffrey Grier seconded the motion.	None.

	<p>Public Comment: None.</p> <p>Majority task force members voted to approve motion.</p> <p>Motion has passed and minutes are approved.</p>	
<p>5. General Public Comment 1:45 p.m.</p>	<p>Veronica Shepard: My name is Veronica and I'm with the San Francisco African American Faith Based Coalition as well as the San Francisco NAACP. My comment is directed towards the Mayor's office regarding the discussion on food security and how funding is being distributed into the Black African American community. Based on the data I have read in the most recent BFSE report, Black people are the hungriest people in San Francisco and yet working with HSA previously as a retired City employee, very little of this money went into the Black African American community outside of homelessness, which we know has a high population of Black African Americans. There is a huge concern that our population is not getting equitable funding, especially through a health equity lens, the funding that is needed to address our nutritional health and wellness needs. So I do hope that the Mayor's office is taking a hard look at this and how money is being distributed, what areas its going to, the amount of grocery bags offered by this agency for certain neighborhoods compared to neighborhoods like 94124, 94134, 94107, and in the Western Addition as well. We really need to up our game when it comes to feeding this community as we know the health disparities are huge, yet we are getting very little funding, never enough to robustly address these issues. Thank you.</p> <p>Colleen Rivecca: Hi my name is Colleen Rivecca, I work for the Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation. I wanted to share an update on the California Nutrition Incentive Program, also known as Market Match, jointly funded by the state and federal government. It gives folks who use EBT a bonus value when they use their benefits at farmers markets. People are able to get more bang for their buck for fresh healthy produce. The governor's budget</p>	

	<p>proposal this year is slated for cuts that would have resulted in its elimination, and it's something this group has been concerned about as well as community members who use the program have been very concerned about and our farmers and folks/vendors are also concerned about. A couple weeks ago we had some good news on this where the state legislature's version of the budget actually reverses all the cuts and it includes full funding for Market Match. The process that's happening right now is that the governor and the state legislature's budget need to be worked out by June 15th. It's in a great place to have the funding restored in the legislature's budget. If folks are interested in continuing to advocate for that funding, a great thing to do would be to use the governor's office website to put in a comment about how important Market Match is. We're in a really great place to have full funding for Market Match statewide this year. That's all, thank you.</p> <p>Paula Jones: If you have that website, please put it in the chat, thank you.</p> <p>Colleen Rivecca (online comment) : This website has a link to the Governor's website and a sample script that people can use when emailing the governor: https://nourishca.org/blog-category/legislatures-budget-package-rejects-many-of-governors-proposed-cuts-to-food-assistance-and-safety-net/?emci=3018a98d-121e-ef11-86d0-6045bdd9e096&emdi=c71fba0e-5d23-ef11-86d2-6045bdd9e096&ceid=24881763</p>	
<p>6. City Budget Updates, Anna Duning (Mayor's Office) 1:50 p.m.</p>	<p>Please refer to the video recording linked at the top of this document. This agenda item starts at the 10:08 minute mark and ends at the 53:40 minute mark.</p> <p>Anna Duning, the Budget Director from the Mayor's Office gave a presentation on the mayor's proposed budget for FY 24-25 and FY 25-26.</p> <p>Task Force Member Comments:</p>	

	<p>Paula Jones: Would you be able to send us these slides so that we can post them?</p> <p>Anna Duning: Yes, I am still actively updating them. We will finalize them by the end of this week.</p> <p>Colleen Rivecca (online comment): I know what a Beilenson hearing is, but wondering if you can explain the line about FY 25-26 RFPs in DPH needing those hearings.</p> <p>Anna Duning: We do two year budgeting, every year we propose next year's budget and a budget in the second year as a placeholder, and we revisit this when we do the whole budget again. In the second year of the budget, sometimes there are further reductions. The reason for that is we're continuing to see very slow revenue growth even as costs that are really nondiscretionary peak and grow even faster. One example is across public health contracts – public health has hundreds of millions of dollars of contracts and instead of saying specific programs are reduced this year, we tasked public health with over the next year, how to make a 5% reduction across all their contracts. Beilenson is a state law that requires everytime public health services are reduced, a special hearing is held by a public entity. The origin of that law is that if a health clinic or hospital is closing, people know to get care elsewhere. But this applies to all of our public health services. To be consistent with the law, we need to hold hearings this year. The hearings will be sometime the week after next. It may have already been posted, it will be June 25 or 26 and should be on the Board's website.</p> <p>Jade Quizon: I wanted to ask about the soda tax grants that seem like they're going to be cut even though these grantees/programs received praise from the mayor last week. So just curious why this is being cut, they're in the first year of their multi-year RFP, it seems like not a great time to be cutting funding to these programs. I know the budget talks a lot about funding for food access programs but we need food access funding, food nutrition education, workforce</p>	
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	<p>development, policy programming, healthy lifestyle programming, we need it all.</p> <p>Anna Duning: I can speak a bit to the food security programs. I'll say off the bat there are no easy choices in this budget. We tried to sustain as much of the what we would call the direct access to food, and reductions came more from education/outreach and policy funding areas.</p> <p>Anna Duning shared a document summarizing food security initiatives and funding levels in the mayor's proposed budget. This document is up on the FSTF website.</p> <p>Anne Quaintance: Can you give more information on the one-time only revenue for DPH?</p> <p>Anna Duning: I will do my best. The City is funded through multiple revenue sources. The General Fund subsidizes our public health system right now. The general hospital and clinics are reimbursed through Medi-Cal and Medicare. And sometimes they are reimbursed on a cycle different from the budget process, so they often get one-time retroactive payments, or settlements after Medi-Cal has done all of its work to determine how much they owe back to our hospital system. In any given year, we might see a one-time uptick in public health revenue that allows us to reduce the General Fund subsidy. The public health system saw some big one-time revenues and retroactive payments from prior years that meant we could put that much less General Fund revenue to keep hospitals and clinics running, which allowed us to balance this budget.</p> <p>Paula Jones: One thing we saw in the BFSER was that there was a very wide range for the cost per unit for grocery bags and meals. Did you look at that information and did you take that into consideration? There are some programs with a much higher cost per unit and some with lower costs per unit and we know that there might be differences in what's provided.</p>	
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Anna Duning: I have seen that information before. It has been a helpful input point. We mostly tried to make decisions at the high program level and tasks departments at a contract by contract level. I will say in the past we have looked at some of this information; there's been obvious cases in which one organization or program type can maybe feed a lot more people per dollar, yet may not be reaching all communities equitably. We've gotten feedback that some programs with higher costs are reaching communities that nobody else is reaching, and sometimes these higher costs might be attributable to different program designs that doesn't reach as many people but reaches people that no one else is serving.

Guillermo Reece: I wanted to support Veronica Shepard's question at the beginning of the meeting. I heard you say that you want to bring back spending to pre-pandemic levels. If people were hungry before the pandemic and after the pandemic, we're taking it back to the way it was, I think that would be exacerbating the situation. If we're going back to pre-pandemic, the need for food is going to be that much greater.

Anna Duning: I will not argue with you on that point. I think the point that I would make from a budgeting perspective is that what enabled us to increase funding so much during the pandemic were resources that we no longer have available, and that is the challenge.

Jade Quizon: I appreciate your comment Guillermo and totally resonate with you. I'm at Syracuse for this National Right to Food Summit, and just hearing how everyone is trying to preserve the programs initiated during the pandemic because they know it's necessary, it just really resonated with me and I feel the same for San Francisco. We need to keep what we started in the pandemic going. The food system is already a little wonky to begin with, so I think this a moment that everyone else I'm seeing and working with here is using to leverage so that we can do better for our citizens.

Chester Williams: I'm familiar with what's going on in the Bayview, the food support program that just started and is well attended. The community knows

there is a need. My question is what is being done in the Fillmore and Lakeview areas? Are there projects moving to do things in those areas?

Anna Duning: I apologize Chester, I don't know specifically about any new programs. I'm very familiar with the Food Empowerment Market. I don't have an answer for you today but I can work with others and try to get back to you.

Anne Quaintance: The cost of doing business reduction, which basically enables us to not expand services but sustain them. I was surprised to see the reduction in the mayor's budget because .5% to us is significant.

Anna Duning: Just to catch everybody else up, in prior years, the Mayor's budget and sometimes the Board's budget has augmented a cost of doing business for non-profit providers. That amount was somewhat discretionary, varied between 2% going back to 5-10 years ago, last year we were able to do 3.75% for all providers, and the Board added even more. So this year, based on new legislation that required that we project a more fixed amount, and that was 3% and that's subject to what's allocated in the budget. When all the pieces of the budget landed, we were able to afford 2.5%, which is in line with CPI and recognize that this is not enough to expand programs. Years past, the Board has done more so maybe they would make up the extra half percent, but I can't say for certain.

Public Comment:

Ellen Garcia: I'm Ellen Garcia, I work with Vouchers 4 Veggies and we're also a member of the FAACTS coalition, and I'm a resident of 94134. Dovetailing off Guillermo and Veronica's comments, I wanted to uplift the concern about the SDDT funds that are being diverted to HSA for food security. I want to point out that the spirit of the soda tax is for those funds to be used for health equity and healthy food and lifestyle initiatives. You might not be able to answer this question, Anna, but certainly something we want to keep in mind is and study is how these funds are being diverted and which programs they're being diverted to. HSA funds a lot of great, really important programs that are not about health

equity or nutritious food. They're about getting calories to people which is surely needed in certain situations, but chips and juice and things like that may be included in any given pantry aren't necessarily in the spirit of the soda tax and what is needed in the communities pointed out by the BFSER – African American communities in southeast San Francisco, the Pacific Islander communities where the rates of diabetes and heart disease are so high. I just really hope that there is a deliberate, strategic intention that those funds being diverted, are being diverted to programs that support healthy foods and healthy lifestyles and aren't just being poured into a fund to provide chips and juice to people, which is appropriate in some situations I don't question that, but that's not the intention of the SDDT tax.

Janna Cordeiro: Hi everyone, I'm Janna Cordeiro, I work for the Food as Medicine Collaborative. I'm making this public comment as a private citizen of San Francisco. I was one of the people who helped develop the legislation and organized and got voter support for the soda tax legislation that passed, and was quite frankly historic and a huge fight against the beverage industry, which has an ugly history of intentionally targeting black, brown, poor communities, queer communities to get them to overconsume sugary drinks that make people sick. The intention of that legislation was to have SFDPH implement those funds and to be guided by an expert and community-based advisory panel. The panel made recommendations to the mayor this year and previous years, and she has often ignored them. This year it was pretty egregious and she took money out of small CBOS, funds/contracts that were offered to them, and now has decided that that money is going to HSA, and as Ellen said, doesn't always fund programs that have a health equity goal in mind. I want everyone to keep in mind that the soda tax funds are not intended for politicians to use anyone they wanted, they are intended for politicians to take the advice of the soda tax committee. We do have an election this year, and as a voter in San Francisco I will be keeping that in mind. I hope that our politicians in the future respect the spirit of that legislation.

Colleen Rivecca: My question was about the soda tax funding, specifically about the ~\$5M being diverted to HSA. I'm wondering which programs that funding is being diverted to. I want to mention for context that DPH just went through a whole RFP process for upcoming programs in the soda tax where organizations applied, the department went through the applications, scored them, and even sending letters of intent to fund. A few organizations that scored the highest, those policies, systems, and environmental change approaches were all based on reaching communities, specific racial and ethnic communities in designated neighborhoods, that would benefit the most from this type of programming. I know for the Tenderloin, our program that would have been funded was specifically for Chinese speaking residents in the Tenderloin. I'm not here to advocate for my own program but more to say that I think it's sad that we're pitting food programs against one another in the budget and wanting to get a fuller story of exactly what will be funded in HSA and finding a path to funding all those important programs as well.

Anna Duning: Specific program types, models, service areas, etc. can be addressed by those specific departments.

Veronica Shepard: I want to reiterate – we take all this time in the City to do a BFSEER. What good is it if no one from our city leadership is using it as a guideline on how funding should be distributed? As you have heard, HSA has not been utilizing this lens, and I was told by one of their leaders that they were not. Why are we doing these reports, collecting data to show the city who is most hungry and then not use the report with our city agencies who are entrusted with funds who are going to impact hunger? We had hungry people before COVID. We just had a plethora of money come and help us during COVID. And during that time the overdose people needed food, the school children needed food, the homeless needed food, the house people needed food, the unhealthy people needed food. So when we think about the highest risk factors and we've got data to show us that, why don't we mandate these agencies to use it as a lens to distribute funds? How can you take this information, escalate it up to the mayor, and let her know that the people with the highest health issues, are

	<p>hungry, and are not receiving city fund equitably? That's the bottom line. Otherwise, it's a huge disrespect to people's time, and it's a façade to the community to have a report that we don't even use. It's very important for us as people on the ground working with hungry communities, stop giving them breadcrumbs and expect them to sustain and hold our city agencies accountable for hungry populations. Thank you.</p> <p>Geoffrey Grier: What she said, and that's that. Record it and play it for the city.</p>	
<p>7. 2024 Food Security Task Force Recommendations, Eric Chan (OARE/SFDPH) 2:20 p.m.</p>	<p>This agenda item was skipped due to time constraints.</p>	<p>None.</p>
<p>8. Update on subcommittee on Reimagining Food Coordination, Jade Quizon (Subcommittee Chair, API Council) and Facente Consulting 2:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Shelly Facente from Facente Consulting presented on the Reimagining Food Coordination Subcommittee's proposal. This presentation included recommendations, the proposed food security landscape, FSTF food structure models, SF Office of Food roles and responsibilities, food advisory council roles and responsibilities, as well as the background on the research conducted.</p> <p>Questions from Task Force Members & Public Comment:</p> <p>Guillermo Reece: Very interesting, well done and presented I'm inclined to vote on this new Council however this Council would have more weight than the present task force job very well done. What department would it sit in?</p> <p>Paula Jones: That has not been determined where it would sit; that's correct right Shelly and Jade?</p> <p>Shelly Facente: It's not determined yet. It's just we know we need an office that is more of a coordinating office and with all the rules. We talked about some different options and some different models and I think the only thing the group felt really clear on was not wanting it to sit within one Department because so much of this needs to be cross- departmental so thinking about what are the other options just as one example. I'm not necessarily saying the Human Rights</p>	<p>None.</p>

Commission is the right place for this but we talked a fair amount about the Office of Racial Equity being a similar sort of cross departmental initiative or office and it's housed in the in the Human Rights Commission, not in a single department so it could be something like that but we weren't able to come up with a specific location.

Anne Quaintance: Thank you Shelley and everybody for all the work I was just saying we don't obviously need to approve it today but I just thought because it's two entities as opposed to one, a visual would be so great to understand how they are actually going to relate to each other, how policies kind of get back and forth and so I can tell from your slides and certainly we'll be interested in going through them but it's just a little challenging to see. I also think kind of budget wise and kind of the summary of seeing these two entities together would just be helpful so how many are we adding in total kind of employees and members.

Paula Jones: The proposal was the office of food and would actually be staffed by existing City staff from some of the Departments that really touch the food system. I think that's where we thought the group kind of proposed to get out the gate would be bringing staff from different departments so it wouldn't be new FTE at this point which we know would be difficult. Then Shelley can you remind us how many seats this advisory Council would have the big change I think would be it's a bit bigger, but it also only has a couple seats for City staff and the majority would be CBOs, (SFAAFBC) and people with lived experience.

Shelly Facente: The group landed on 16, a range of 16 to 29. So 16 at the smallest end, and 29 at the largest end. Two of those would be appointed from City government, one from the city office and one from the mayor's office. It could be just one of those but up to two. Then the other 15 to 27 seats would be a mix of unaffiliated community members with lived experience of food insecurity, CBO and Coalition staff, and then people who have specific expertise or representation of different areas like urban agriculture or nutrition, or healthy retail, which could be community folks or could be more government

folks. Then there's staffing the four staff from the city office but as Paula said I think the idea is at this point that wouldn't include any new staff being added it would be asking for staff contributed from the various places.

Paula Jones: Jade did you want to say anything?

Jade Quizon: Just the biggest thanks to Shelly and team per usual. It's a complex model and a lot of information went into it and it's just so well presented and digestible so thank you always forever.

Paula Jones: Do any other task force members have comments?

Jeimil Belamide: What are the next steps for this to get approved? I'm hearing positions are kind of being taken from other departments to fill the office of food. Can someone take us through what the actual logistics look like?

Paula Jones: I think what we would do here as the task force is do we agree conceptually with what has been presented for both? We could take it separately in office of food and then a new advisory body? That's the first step is what does this group think? Our subcommittee is a part of our task force - it was formally created, and they've been having public meetings. So does the task force agree with is? I think the next step is once we can get that agreement on what this group believes. Before we do that, we definitely have to take public comment and hear from everybody on the call what they're thinking about this. Once we get that point, we would then take it, and start talking to department heads, talking to the Board, talking to the Mayor's Office about this. We are not an implementer, the implementation would be the elected officials, department heads, etc. I think this is where we're at, is what does this group vote on? What does this group advise?

Public Comment:

Veronica Shepard: It's a wonderful presentation. What gave me pause was in my 17 years of working with the Department of Public Health, and just recently retiring, I was looking at the slide about how are these dynamics with City

agency people versus Community people. There's a power in equity and sometimes in a room and I've seen where people who represent, especially if they have different high range positions, the people who are from the faith-based and the community-based organizations tend to just kind of listen. I've seen where Community advisory or even commissions listen and give their insights and give their recommendations and the city does whatever they want to do, but they can write down we heard from the community. We heard from the faith people, we heard from the council, but this is what we're going to do anyway. So how are you dealing with those power dynamics as you're thinking about this body to be a voice? Because, I have personally seen an experience where we extract, we share and then the city decides to do whatever they want. So where is there the accountability mechanism to all of the people involved where you've got a huge power dynamic of an entire city system and people that are on the ground? Then I wanted to get some clarification on that unaffiliated space. What I find in the Black community, one we only make up 44,000 people plus people in this city, and half of them are sick and have so many issues so it's kind of like the same people are always showing up for these things, because we're the ones on the ground, on the phones at our homes in the community working with partner organizations, many who are on this call. How do we identify an unaffiliated member who's really affiliated just because? Thank you for the presentation; it was awesome.

Shelley Facente: Thank you for those important comments, because I think you're right that what we want to do is set up a structure that like looks nice on paper but doesn't actually have any real influence because that's just wasting a lot of people's time. I think some of the strategies that we talked about, one important one was that was part of the reason behind having one governmental co-chair and one community co-chair so that right from the top there's some power sharing there between the group being co-led by folks who are not just government making decisions and community members there to hope that someone listens to them. So that was part of it, also the idea of having the city office and the mayor's office seats on the council was also strategic for that

reason with the idea that it's not just all community folks who are then trying to make recommendations and advise government to make decisions, but part of who are making those recommendations are also government folks. So, it's really like everyone working in solidarity to come up with recommendations and advising which then goes to the government. So, it's a little more balanced than sometimes you see in these types of community structures. That was also the reason we thought it would make sense to have this advisory council report to the board supervisors and the mayor's office, because then there's a little more built-in accountability if the Board of Supervisors is who's creating this public body through legislation, and then this body is reporting to the Board of Supervisors. If the city does whatever they want and ignores what the group is saying, then there's a bit more hold there with the Board of Supervisors saying wait a second that's not what we were hearing that this group recommended. Whether that would all work in real life we try to deal in realities, but I think those were some of the strategies that that the group was thinking through for how to try to address some of those issues you raised Veronica.

Paula Jones: I would add that having the Mayor's office because that's where you see the budget is created right by the Mayor. The Board gets it later so if this task force reports to the Board but I think the idea was there are some groups that report to both the board and the mayor.

Jade Quizon: I think like one of the benefits of this proposal such as what we're coming up with here with the task force together is that we can present this to the Mayor and present this to the Board of Supervisors. It's agreed upon by all of us members, the public now knows about it, we can tell more people about it, and we present it. We know that this is what we want our city to have; now we have something to hold our city officials and elected officials accountable too. The question for me is what are we holding our elected officials accountable to? So we can hold them accountable to this plan and then with FAACTS I know we're urging our elected officials to come up with a long-term plan so once we have that plan co-created with them hopefully that's something

else that we can hold them accountable to. Veronica I always appreciate your questions, because like they're always the toughest questions like accountability. The accountability piece is the toughest piece to this all, but I also think that's why we need our external community Watchdogs, like coalitions like FAACTS so that you know they can apply that pressure from outside.

Haley Neilsen: It gives me pause when the folks that are going to be staffed by this potentially come from current departments, because one of the issues that the this is intended to solve is the silos of food funding and different departments. I feel like if we just take staff from different departments that maybe already are invested in food that's just going to be another way of reinforcing those silos so that gives me pause. I do think that it's important sometimes to bring in outside expertise. Maybe that doesn't necessarily have the same departmental allegiances or political histories. That can definitely be a point that you can get sucked into. I just wanted to register that part. Then also with the accountability piece, I think making sure that this office is situated somewhere in the city that actually does have real power. If it was like the mayor's office of food, something that sits outside of any one specific department like we've talked about but that does actually have real teeth because that's the accountability part. I think that really can be influential is if it's from the mayor. I can't really think of a better place for it than that. Obviously other people here might have ideas, but I do think it really needs to be somewhere like at the top where decision making power really means something so just keep that in mind. I really appreciate all the hard work on this. It was amazing to see it thank you.

Chester Williams: Halley I want to throw in a statement to back up what you just said. The reality that you have to understand is how San Francisco clicks, and the politics is heavy, and it's well set and concrete so there's certain things that you are going to always find difficult, but I agree with you. I agree with what you know. I think a younger generation, I think that's where you guys want to go,

and I appreciate that you're pushing it that way but it's going to be a hard uphill battle on Shelley's situation. It is very good, the concept of bringing in a community person along with someone from the city I think it's a great idea, but I'm kind of looking at it now from the next generation. I don't think it's going to happen with my generation. I think as we get this younger generation that we educate that concept will help them to improve food security set up in this city so I would vote for it. I think it's a great way to go with a few changes that we'll discuss later, but the reality is San Francisco is a hard nut to crack and you really have to work hard and convince people politically on terms of things that you want to get done; thank you.

Janna Cordeiro: I'll just echo what Chester just said. We can set up a lot of systems and structures that can help. The soda tax committee has a co-chair situation where one is community and one is from one of the City organizations and you know like I said earlier their advice has just been eroded and eroded less and less power and it's frustrating. I think ultimately, we all have to work towards making sure those of those elected officials understand food justice and food sovereignty. So that they make the right decisions. We don't have to advise them and call you know, hold them accountable. That's part of what they do and it's part of the expectation in San Francisco that this is how we treat each other. It's sad to me in a lot of ways and for those of us who've been working on the ground and some of you many more years than I have that we even have to fight for this. I hope that you know part of this work that we do is really about changing norms and expectations of what the people in our communities who are the sickest as Veronica said earlier who have been underserved and who've been mistreated by our systems. Our systems that are based on white supremacy you know are uplifted and valued the most and provided the most kind of resources. I appreciate the work you guys have done a great job. I said that before. I think the way that you've compiled this information, this very complex information is very helpful for those of us trying to figure it out. I know we're all wanting a better system because it's frustrating when you constantly do this work, do these reports and you don't get listen to

	<p>and the money just keeps getting cut and the politicians pit us against each other. Last year it was childcare versus the food programs. This year it's the soda tax money against the food HSA and that's wrong so hopefully we have a better future in front of us.</p> <p>Paula Jones: Is there any other public comment because we only have about four minutes and I'm going to see if this group is ready to make a motion that we would accept this proposal, that we would start having conversations to move it forward. Obviously, the details will be determined by those who are implementing, but is there anyone here ready to make a motion to accept the proposal? Please if you do, please state the proposed motion.</p> <p>Jade Quizon: Am I allowed to make the motion? What's the language I should use?</p> <p>Paula Jones: You want to make a motion that the task force advises recommends creating a new structure for food organizing for food. Which is a city office of food and a new advisory body.</p> <p>Jade Quizon: I'd like to make a motion of what Paula said for this food security task force to approve the model and move forward with proposing, and presenting it to the Mayor and Board of Supervisors.</p> <p>Chester Williams: I second.</p> <p>Paula Jones: Got a second. Now I'm going to take a vote. All those members in favor please raise your hand. Please lower your hand. All task force members that are abstaining. Please raise your hand. Abstaining are Jeimil, Emily and Tiffany. All the task force members opposed please raise your hand. Eric would you tell us what the counts are right now?</p>	
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	<p>Eric Chan: We have eight task force members who voted to approve the motion three task force members that abstained and zero opposed.</p> <p>Paula: The motion's passed so with that, this is conceptually going to move forward. Thank you all, thank you Jade, thank you for Facente and Eric and everyone that has participated in the subcommittee; we really appreciate it. We will talk at our next task force meeting about next steps. We can all talk about next steps before we do anything. Eric we do want to let everybody know we know we've ran out of time. We have finished our 2024 recommendations for the task force they're in the chat. Eric reached out and had sent them to all the Board of Supervisors and we're looking for scheduling meetings, and we will let task force members know when those meetings are. We had project updates but at this point we're out of time. I think we will also reach back out to task force members - our July meeting is scheduled for July 3 and we know July 4th is a holiday, we're anticipating that many people may be taking off so Eric will be reaching out to task force members to gauge whether we need to reschedule our July meeting. Does anyone else have any comments or any public comments? All right with that, this task force meeting is closed and thank you all for your participation today. We will send out all the information from the Mayor's office the recommendations and everything else we discussed. Thank you all.</p>	
8. Updates and emerging issues 3:20 p.m.	None.	None.
9. Adjournment 3:30 p.m.	Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.	None.