MINUTES
HEALTH COMMISSION
COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE
Tuesday July 16, 2019 2:00 p.m.
101 Grove, Room 302, San Francisco, CA  94102

1) CALL TO ORDER
Present: Commissioner Dan Bernal, Chair
Commissioner James Loyce Jr., Member

Excused: Commissioner Cecilia Chung, Member

2) APPROVAL OF JUNE 18, 2019 COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE MINUTES

Action Taken: The Committee unanimously approved the June 18, 2019 meeting minutes.

3) TOBACCO AND SMOKING PROGRAM – RETAIL TOBACCO RULES AND REGULATIONS
Jen Callewaert, MS, REHS, Environment Health Branch Tobacco and Smoking Program, presented the item.

Commissioner Comments:
Commissioner Bernal asked how San Francisco compares with tobacco licenses per capita. Ms. Callewaert stated that San Francisco has approximately one tobacco license per 1,250 residents. Other urban areas are listed below:
- Chicago 1:900
- Alameda County 1: 1,450
- Oakland 1: 1,060

Commissioner Bernal asked for more information regarding the density of tobacco outlets in District 3. Ms. Callewaert stated that historically Chinatown has had a busy commercial corridor with many tobacco sales outlets.
Regarding flavored tobacco products, Commissioner Bernal asked which products are most problematic. Ms. Callewaert stated that the tobacco industry is now using colors instead of flavors to attract youth; this is the strategy to avert any regulations against “flavored” tobacco products.

Commissioner Loyce stated that the revised rules do not seem to lead to tobacco sales revocation if there are multiple violations of the regulations. Ms. Callewaert stated that the DPH Director of Health may still revoke a sales license for just cause.

4) “DEVELOPING OUR PEOPLE LOCALLY AND NATIONALLY,” AN UPDATE FROM THE CENTER FOR LEARNING AND INNOVATION

Jonathan Fuchs MD, MPH, Director, presented the item.

Commissioner Comments:
Commissioner Loyce asked if the interns are all undergraduate students. Dr. Fuchs stated that the SHARP program interns are undergraduate students.

Commissioner Loyce asked if the SFDPH continues to mentor the SHARP interns after their internships are completed. Dr. Fuchs stated that funds are made available to send some interns to conferences to present their findings.

Commissioner Bernal asked if there are resources to respond to all technical assistance requests. Dr. Fuchs stated that the Center for Learning and Innovation has collaborated with other entities to ensure that technical assistance needs were met.

Commissioner Loyce noted that working within an equity framework is important for collective impact projects such as Getting to Zero.

5) EMERGING ISSUES
This item was not discussed.

6) PUBLIC COMMENT
There was no public comment.

7) ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 3:07pm.