



**THE HONORABLE SHENG THAO • MAYOR OF OAKLAND**

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**Letter of Appointment**

January 16, 2023

Dear President Bas and members of the City Council:

Pursuant to City Charter Section 601, the Mayor has appointed the following person as a member of the following board or commission, subject to City Council confirmation:

**Sugar Sweetened Beverage Community Advisory Board**

**Lesley Latham** to the Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Community Advisory Board as a medical professional who has public health experience and/or engages in whole or in part in the prevention, diagnosis, treatment, or research of, or education about chronic diseases linked to the consumption of sugar, to serve a three-year term that began June 15, 2023 and ends June 14, 2026, filling a seat previously held by Julia Liou.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sheng Thao".

Mayor Sheng Thao

**Profile**

Lesley Latham  
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

[Redacted] mail Address

[Redacted] Street Address  
[Redacted] City

[Redacted] Suite or Apt  
[Redacted] State [Redacted] Postal Code

[Redacted] Primary Phone [Redacted] Alternative Phone

[Redacted] Employer [Redacted] Pediatric Dentist Job Title

**Which Boards would you like to apply for?**

Sugar Sweetened Beverages Community Advisory Board: Submitted

**Interests & Experiences**

**Please tell us how your qualifications and participation will relate to the requested board and/or commission's mission.**

Thank you for your work for our City, our children, and our health. Thank you for the opportunity to apply for the Sugar-Sweetened Beverages Advisory Board to serve the City of Oakland. Within this brief answer, I want to effectively impart my experiences and passions, which have prepared me for this work. I am a UCSF pediatric dentist. During residency, I served as Community Outreach Chief, allowing me to work with the San Francisco Public Health Department and County Free SF to implement effective medical and pediatric dental resources for the Bayview-Hunterspoint. After my time in San Francisco, I moved to the East Bay, drawn by the rich history of Black families in Oakland and the various cultures that have successfully lived together. As the community health fellow for The Ohio State University, I worked with the City of Columbus to improve children's access to healthcare. During the 2020 pandemic shutdown, I served on the frontline as Dental Director of the Alameda Health System Eastmont Clinic to retrofit the office for coronavirus precautions. I continue to advocate for equitable healthcare and education because the children of Oakland deserve it. I am optimistic about our progress in protecting ourselves and improving our awareness. Work is needed to continuously instill these values of preserving the health of our community by promoting accessible resources. I have participated in previous sugar-sweetened beverages meetings and conferences since 2019 and spoke to the SSB audience in 2020 via Zoom about the intersection of SSBs and pediatric dentistry. Again, thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to using my experience to serve my beloved City of Oakland best.

*Please submit your resume or curriculum vitae. You may upload a document. (A Word format is preferred.) Alternatively, you may paste the text of your resume in the field provided below.*

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Please click the acknowledgement below.

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Service on City of Oakland boards, commissions, and committees may require filings of the FPPC's Statements of Economic Interest (Form 700). Upon appointment and determination of filing status, I will comply with all filing obligations.

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I Agree \*

# Lesley Latham, DDS, MS

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References provided upon request.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY



CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY MAYOR SHENG THAO

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### RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF LESLEY LATHAM AS A MEMBER OF THE SUGAR-SWEETENED BEVERAGE DISTRIBUTION TAX COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD

**WHEREAS**, Section 601 of the City Charter provides that members of City boards and commissions shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the affirmative vote of five members of the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No 86161 C.M.S., approved May 3, 2016, placed a measure on the November 8, 2016 ballot to impose a tax on the distribution of sugar-sweetened beverages; and

**WHEREAS**, the voters of the City of Oakland adopted the Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Distribution Tax Ordinance in the November 8, 2016 general municipal election; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Distribution Tax Ordinance establishes the Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Distribution Tax Community Advisory Board (the "Board") and provides that the Board shall consist of nine (9) members serving not more than two consecutive three-year terms appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council in accordance with City Charter section 601; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Distribution Tax Ordinance (Oakland Municipal Code Section 4.52.080 (B)) provides that the Board shall be comprised of: At least three residents who live in areas disproportionately impacted by diseases caused by sugar consumption; two medical professionals-one medical and one dental with public health experience or who engage in whole or in part in the prevention, diagnosis, treatment or research of, or education about chronic diseases linked to the consumption of sugar; two parents of current students of Oakland Unified School District ("OUSD"); and two members of the public with experience in addressing public health issues, related to diabetes, obesity and sugary drink consumption, community-based youth food and nutrition programs, school-based food and nutrition programs, oral health or early childhood nutrition; and

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable Mayor Sheng Thao has appointed Lesley Latham to serve a three-year term subject to confirmation by the City Council; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That pursuant to City Charter section 601, the City Council hereby confirms the Mayor's appointment of **Lesley Latham** to the Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Distribution Tax Community Advisory Board as a medical professional who has public health experience and/or engages in whole or in part in the prevention, diagnosis, treatment, or research of, or education about chronic diseases linked to the consumption of sugar, to serve a three-year term that began June 15, 2023 and ends June 14, 2026, filling a seat previously held by Julia Liou.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FIFE, GALLO, JENKINS, KALB, KAPLAN, RAMACHANDRAN, REID, AND  
PRESIDENT FORTUNATO BAS

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

ASHA REED  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the  
City of Oakland, California

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