

Council Amendment A to Substitute CB 118965 (D10a) – Food Banks (Juarez)

On page 10, beginning on line 10, amend subsection B of section 3 as follows:

"B. The remainder of net proceeds from the beverage tax shall be used to support, in order of priority:

1. Public health, nutrition education, addressing the food security gap, and access to healthy and affordable food through programs including, but not limited to:

a. Community-based investments to expand food access, such as food banks and meal programs;

b. Fresh Bucks and Fresh Bucks to Go;

c. Implementation of the Seattle Food Action Plan;

d. Public health and nutrition programs targeted to assist persons experiencing diabetes and obesity;

e. Public awareness campaigns to highlight the impact of sugar-sweetened beverages on health outcomes and increase education about healthy food and beverages; and

f. Capital investments to promote healthy choices, such as water bottle filling stations in schools and community centers.

2. Evidence-based programs that improve the social, emotional, educational, physical health, and mental health for children, especially those services that seek to reduce the disparities in outcomes for children and families based on race, gender, or other socioeconomic factors and to prepare children for a strong and fair start in kindergarten.

3. Administration of assessing and collecting the tax.

4. Ensuring resources for the Office of Sustainability and the Environment and the Sweetened Beverage Tax Community Advisory Board.

5. The cost of program evaluations conducted by the Office of the City Auditor under subsection 5.B of this ordinance, including costs borne by other City departments in facilitating such evaluations.

In the annual City budget or by separate ordinance, the City's legislative authority shall from year to year determine the services and funding allocations that will most effectively achieve the goals and outcomes in accordance with chapter 35.32A RCW. "

Effect: Provides food banks and meal programs as examples of the permitted community-based investments to expand food access.