

Proposal to Develop Recommendations for New Food Organizing Structure for San Francisco

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Review: FSTF Food Organizing Structure Activities

 FSTF 2018 Assessment calls for advancing food systems that prioritize principles of food justice

2018

2020/2021

- FSTF member & stakeholder survey
- FSTF recommend changes in structure to FSTF for reauthorization & to compensate resident members
- Office of Racial Equity presents Food Sovereignty Framework
- Supervisor Safai/Mayor Breed call for "Reimagining Food Security"
- Jade Quizon researches different models for food organizing for the FSTF
- FSTF reauthorized by BOS until 2026 without changes in structure

- FSTF 2022 & 2023 Recommendations calls for centralized food policy office in City government; invest in neighborhood-level community-led food policy and compensate members
- FSTF presents to BOS/Mayor's office, Department heads
- Fall 2023 Proposal for moving this recommendation forward

2022/2023



Proposed Process



Goal: Develop detailed recommendations a new food policy body that will be presented to the Board of Supervisors, Mayor, Department Heads

- Proposed Process:
 - FSTF vote to form subcommittee
 - Need at least 1 task force member to Chair Subcommittee
 - Hold Public Meetings
 - FSTF and Community members are encouraged to join (and hold leadership positions)
 - DPH/Office of Anti-Racism and Equity will staff subcommittee
 - FSTF defines and prioritizes criteria that the new structure should address
 - Subcommittee reviews different models
 - Uses prioritized list of criteria when making recommendations for a new structure
 - Develops detailed recommendations (what would be best for San Francisco)
 - Subcommittee presents models to FSTF
 - FSTF votes on model

Weighted Criteria:

A process to assess advantages and disadvantages of each model & what's most important for San Francisco

Some Examples:

- Community voice in decision making
- Addresses silos in city and non-city entities
- Administrative feasibility
 - Ease of implementation (high, medium, low)
 - Legal and regulatory requirements
- Political feasibility
 - Engagement and availability of stakeholders
 - Political will among city (mayor's office, BOS, department heads)
- Resources (e.g., staffing, cost)
- Equity criteria
 - Community/district inclusion
 - Process-based, Outcome-based
- Addresses food sovereignty
- Addresses food sourcing and worker's rights
- Others...

Draft Process & Timeline

1) Present Proposal at Sept. 6 FSTF meeting 2) Create official Subcommittee of FSTF 3)
Subcommittee meets

Jan: Subcommittee continues to meet to develop recommendation

February 7, 2024 – FSTF votes on model to recommend to BOS/Mayor

Process to adopt recommendations is outlined and FSTF takes action to implement

Sept/Oct 2023

Nov/Dec

Jan/Feb 2024

Feb/March/April

May/June/July

Bring in presenters from other city/state food policy councils to show examples of other models

November 1, 2023 FSTF meeting –
Subcommittee brings back
recommendations for criteria and FSTF
votes on criteria

Present recommendations to BOS, Mayor, Department Heads, community meetings

Refine recommendations (if neded)



Draft Agenda For Subcommittee

- Welcome & introductions
- Brief review of process and timeline
- Share out: conversation with Johns Hopkins Food Policy Network
- Discussion on criteria
 - What's missing?
 - Discussion of ranking process
- Brief review of models already researched
 - What's missing?
- Next Steps (who, what, by when)

