



## **Downtown Corridor Minutes**

SETRAC  
Conference Center  
Houston, Texas 77008  
December 6, 2024



### **A. Call to Order**

Ashlee Thurman called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

### **B. Approval of Minutes (C101)**

Ms. Thurman requested review and approval of the October minutes. Jenny Pfannes (Memorial Hermann System) made a motion to approve the minutes, Michael Carrier (Memorial Hermann Southwest) seconded the motion, and the corridor members carried the motion. The minutes were approved as written.

### **C. New Business**

- **Generac – New State Initiative**

Ms. Spivey reported there was some miscommunication regarding meeting date therefore the Generac representative will be at the next Downtown Corridor meeting (February) to give a presentation on what the initiative is and how it will work; however, he will be at the upcoming RHPC Board meeting on January 6<sup>th</sup> to give an overview of the initiative. She mentioned the initiative involves the purchasing and support of generators for rural and stand-alone facilities. She is not sure how it will work for the bigger facilities, but he will explain in more detail at the upcoming meetings.

### **D. HPP Capabilities Review**

- **Pulsara Update**

Ms. Spivey introduced Jax Kincade as our new point of contact for Pulsara training. SETRAC and Ms. Kincade have met and discussed the region's issues, and beginning in January 2025 we will be conducting true MCI training with her guidance and assistance. Ms. Kincade gave a brief update on upcoming trainings and offered her email address ([jax@pulsara.com](mailto:jax@pulsara.com)) and welcomed the corridor members to contact her with any issues.

- **World Cup 2026**

Ms. Spivey stated the World Cup meetings have started. Lori Upton and Dr. Schulz are on the City of Houston Health and Medical Committee representing RHPC at these meetings. There will be representatives at these meetings from Harris and Montgomery counties, along with other areas they believe the base camps will be located. SETRAC is aware there is going to be a base camp in College Station and have already started communications with that RAC should an MCI occur, they will more than likely need to transport to the medical center. SETRAC is also communicating with the Dallas RAC as this is where the other games will be held. The increase in Houston population is about ten percent which indicates our EMS and hospitals will be stressed, therefore planning ahead to have these resources in place is important.

### **E. EMTF Update**

Ms. Spivey reported EMTF has been busy since the last meeting (see below):

Activity:

- EMTF Prehospital IDRUC course was held on Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Plans to hold a second Prehospital course in Q1 of 2025.
- EMTF prepositioned WLFS Wild Land Fire Support teams to multiple different locations in our region they activated 2-Task force leaders, 1-technical specialist, 1-Mist, 3-Wildland Paramedic Units, and 2-Ambulances to support the Wildland Firefighters. The total length of deployment was from 10.04 to 11.07.
- EMTF hosted an EMTF day at the SETRAC warehouse and went over EMTF101 and EMTF Deployment Basics. These courses are a part of the new curriculum and a prerequisite for attending the MIST course among others.
- During the Texas EMS Conference the newest response element of the EMTF was announced and on display. The RRU (Radiological Response Unit), and a full-time employee has been hired on to develop the Mission, SOG, and training regimen for the RRU. EMTF Region 6 will be receiving a large cache of equipment to compliment the prehospital and hospital RRU teams. Training will begin in 2025 and become operational early 2026.

Upcoming meetings AMBUS workgroup on January 9<sup>th</sup> hosted at SETRAC.

Sign in Roster if you would like to be added to EMTF 6 List Serve or Mass Notification system (please provide method of providing updated contact information.)

## **F. Training and Exercise Update**

The Training and Exercise Schedule was distributed to the corridor members and reviewed (*filed in the Downtown Corridor minutes binder*).

James Meaux announced SETRAC will begin conducting CMOC-101 training again in 2025 with registration information forthcoming. He also reminded the corridor members of the upcoming ICS classes should anyone want to attend. Anyone with questions regarding the regional exercise or training classes should contact James Meaux and/or Timothy Chapman at [exercise@setrac.org](mailto:exercise@setrac.org).

## **G. Special Populations Update**

*Deferred*

## **H. Inventory Update**

*Deferred*

## **I. Partners Updates (C101)**

The corridor members shared public health, hospital, and EMS matters regarding infectious illnesses, shelters/warming centers, trainings, and active shooter drills.

No updates were provided to be added in the minutes. Anyone wanting their partner update included in the minutes should send their update via email to Roxie Ward at [roxie.ward@setrac.org](mailto:roxie.ward@setrac.org). This will ensure updates are documented accurately in the minutes.

## **I. Open Discussion/Other Business**

- MCI Threshold Notification  
The discussion regarding MCI threshold criteria will be postponed pending the pre-hospital group's review and revision of the No-Notice plan.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Ms. Thurman adjourned the meeting at 1:38 pm. The next Downtown Corridor meeting is scheduled for Friday (February 7<sup>th</sup>) in-person at the SETRAC (1111 North Loop West, Suite 160, Houston, Texas 77008) in the conference center.

**ATTENDEES:** Ashlee Thurman, Kevin Guerrero, Gisela Cinta, Manuel Macias, Michael Carrier, Fanny Frederick, Carrie Cox, Kimberly Hobson, Jenny Pfannes, Jax Kincade, James Meaux, Danielle Calhoun, Lisa Spivey, Clayton Ehrlich