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The revitalization of the Los Angeles River is a priority for the City and is an important strategy for protecting our environment, connecting neighborhoods, and inspiring development.

New investments are spurring economic activity on both sides of the river through Downtown Los Angeles.

The 7th Street Bridge, owned by the City of LA, is one of the key connections across the River in its lower stretches within the City's jurisdiction.

Members of the public have proposed creative concepts for upgrading the existing 7th Street Bridge and making more of it publicly useable space, including the bridge's lower deck or "atrium."

The LA River Revitalization Corporation (LARRC) is participating in this revival. LARRC is an independent nonprofit corporation working alongside the City to enhance important properties consistent with the City's vision for the River.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Bureau of Engineering and City Attorney review public records to establish bridge and atrium ownership rights and maintenance responsibilities.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Bureau of Engineering, with the assistance of the City Attorney, issue a right of entry permit to the LARRC for access to the 7th Street Bridge and its lower deck to conduct site and environmental analysis.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of General Services explore the mechanism for a private entity to lease the lower level of the bridge.

I FURTHER REQUEST that LARRC develop an adaptive reuse concept(s) for the atrium to improve its accessibility and function as a public amenity and present to the City its recommendations for enhancement of the 7th Street Bridge, including a prospective budget and funding opportunities for implementation.

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