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The Los Angeles River Bike/Jogging/Walking Path is enjoyed by Angelinos and residents of neighboring communities day and night. The communities along the river have raised concerns over the safety issues involving this exact pathway.

The Police Department and the Fire Department have suggested that street signage or other appropriate location markers be placed along the River Bike/Jogging/Walking path to help ensure safety and facilitate more efficient responses from emergency services.

Currently, emergency first responders are faced with an unnecessary challenge of having to locate the whereabouts of an emergency call for help, often with little help from victims who are not able to quickly or accurately explain a location.

Immediate action is needed to address and easily remedy these safety concerns.

The City should also explore mapping specific locations along the river for emergency call boxes. Call boxes can be a useful tool along the river path, where many joggers may not have their phone or lose reception while jogging.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Recreation and Parks Department, with the assistance of the Police, Fire, and Transportation Departments, be directed to report with recommendations for installing street signage or other appropriate location markers to the Los Angeles River/Bike/Jogging/Walking Path in order to address emergency response concerns.

I FURTHERMOVE that the Bureau of Engineering work with the Recreation and Parks Department to identify locations where Emergency Call Boxes may be appropriate.

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