Angel Island Ferry Public Input Meeting

Written Comment Cards Provided During the Meeting
January 16, 2014

Card 1: Vote for Maggie

Card 2: Will we ever have service by Golden Gate Ferry to east side of island. The landing docks have been built years ago.

Card 3: I am a teacher since 1968 in the Reed District and as an Art teacher in Tiburon. I took children on overnights for 30 years. Classrooms with fathers as help. Angel Island Ferry has been helpful to help with fares and schedules. No other ferry company does special rates and helps.

Card 4: Take one look and you know it right.

Card 5: There should be information on the ferry about services and history available on Angel Island.

A percentage of tickets should be set aside at low or no cost for low income communities to have better access to the island.

Card 6: Keep it up Maggie.

Card 7: Next time pass agenda at sign in.

Card 8: Angel Island Tiburon Ferry/Captain Maggie McDonough have done a wonderful job over years of supplying a first class ferry operation at a great price and with efficiency.

Card 9: Diversity is in our mutual interest common sense design involves including elements of varying size. A nimble and prepared ferry fleet must include smaller boats and carriers to succeed. DPR should not be questioning whether to continue its relationship with AITF, but how to negotiate the best deal for the people of the State, and rather than pit AITF with B & G, encourage more smaller carrier competition. Recommendations of Dornbusch Report are well-
founded and should be implemented. Overall service to Angel Island will benefit from participation from multiple carriers (and multiple types of carriers). AITF should be recognized for the many extra services it has and will bring to the team. Then expected to compete fairly. Non-economic considerations have their place but is not at the top!

Card 10: Use local dispatched vessels from Tiburon; more fuel and time efficiency; 2 D Minutes—as experience in the Angel Island fire.

Card 11: Maintain local businesses by supporting Angel Island Ferry Service closest vessel and crews to Angel Island. Reduce pollution to the environment. Use minority owned female business.

Card 12: Why take away a family besmas…B and G.

Card 13: Dear State Rep: I represent 30 plus retail and office tenants located in downtown Tiburon. The loss of the Tiburon Angel Island Ferry routes would simply be disastrous to our town and to so many retailers and restaurants. The town is incredibly reliant on the ferry traffic for its business and traffic into town. THIS WILL BE DISASTROUS IF THIS IS LOST TO THE TOWN. THE TOWN WILL DIE IF MAGGIE DOES NOT GET HER CONTRACT. THANK YOU.

Card 14: Go away Blue and Gold…seriously.

Card 15: Go local!!!

Card 16: Let Maggie keep her job!

Card 17: Angel Island Tiburon Ferry Company deserves to keep the contract: First class service, Reliable, Hire local individuals, Family owned company; This company represents Marin County in a very positive way.

Card 18: Angel Island Tiburon Ferry: Family owned business, Hires local people and mentors young people, Reliable service and Great people run company.
Card 19:  Go locals!

Card 20:  Let's go locals.  LET'S GO!

Card 21:  My best friend is Maggie's daughter. Ever since I met Maggie, my life has turned. Maggie is a very hard working woman. She works the ferry business, not goes for money, not goes for a job but to continue a family tradition and love, and I think a family run business is way more important than any other business. One time my aunt Suzan was on Angel Island, and they were late coming down the hill. Maggie could have left them, but instead she waited for them, and they don’t have to spend the night. Thank you I will only hope to behave what Maggie is NOW.

Card 22:  Keep the SF Angel Island and the Tiburon Angel Island contracts separate.

Card 23:  Apply existing transit law requires local government agency to get a 10% preference to any bidder on a service contract to provide public transit services who agree to retain employees of the prior contractor or sub for a period of not less than 90 days.

Card 24:  Half the fun of going to Angle Island is the slow beautiful cruise on the very unique ferries of the AI Tiburon Ferry service. No other boats like those anywhere on the Bay, no other dock anywhere on the Bay, like their dock and historical buildings. The park service spent millions on restoring Angel Island to keep its historical stature. The ferries, docks and building are historical also. A family operated business that’s more than a job for them, it’s a passion. Terrible to loss that to powerful interests with the rest of the Bay at their disposal. The Angel Inland Tiburon Ferry Service only runs that very short run. Try it, you’ll see how wonderful it is.

Card 25:  I support continuation of the family owned local Angel Island Ferry Service. Thank you.

Card 26:  Please retain AITF as the provider from the Tiburon access point. We support the continuation of the long standing family owned and operated ferry concession.
I believe you will find that repeat AI visitors are definitely behind the AI Ferry.

Additionally, they are close at hand in case of a local emergency on the island or in the local waters.

Card 27: I hope that the RFP lines up closely with the Cal Parks mission statement, vision, and values. I read the concession feasibility study and found it to be a narrowly focused economic assessment treating park visitors and ferry operators mostly as consumers and logistics groups. As a long time Cal Parks Foundation supporter, I value the parks for the excellence of their sites and staff. As a many time return visitor to Angel Island (since 1994), I love the ferry approach. I recognize the consistent excellent concessionaire’s welcome and assume that the values and service they provide would be prized as consistent with the stated legacy and 7th generation ideas encapsulated in the strategy documents of California’s Dept. of Parks and Recreation.

Card 28: How can you think of turning over the ferry?

Card 29: You can’t complain this is a family run business…come on guys.