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Tonight's Public Meeting Postponed on Angel Island-Tiburon Ferry Service

ANGEL ISLAND – Upon learning of ferry-service contractor Milton McDonough's passing, California State Parks postponed a public meeting to gather feedback on the ferry service from Tiburon to Angel Island.

McDonough, 96, passed away on Saturday. State Parks canceled the meeting today, upon returning to the office after the three-day weekend honoring Martin Luther King Jr.

"We postponed the meeting out of respect for the family and this community where Mr. McDonough operated the ferry service for decades," said Dave Gould, Marin District Superintendent.

The existing contract has been on month-to-month status for several years, following the original contract's expiration. To obtain a new long-term contract, California law requires the state to go through the contract bidding process.

The intent of the meeting is to gather feedback on the current service and learn what visitors would like in the future. The information will be utilized to prepare a Request for Proposals (RFP) and ultimately enter into a new concession contract. The contract will be awarded based on a competitive process.

The public meeting will be held on <u>Tuesday, February 19 at 7 p.m., at Town Hall, 1505 Tiburon Boulevard, Tiburon, CA 94920</u>.

This contract is not affiliated with transportation to Angel Island from other Bay Area locations, which are each provided through separate contracts.

The public meeting and new RFP are being pursued in compliance with state law that requires a competitive process, open to all companies for concession operations. A contract may go on month to month status when the original term of the contract expires.

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