Good evening, my name is Fr. Sean Murray from St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Oakley. I would like to start this meeting off with a prayer and I would ask that everyone please bow your heads and join me:

Dear Heavenly Father, we ask you this evening to bless the members of this assembly before me and allow them to see fit to do what is in the very best interest of the city of Brentwood and East Contra Costa County on the issue of the Project Labor Agreement for the Brentwood Civic Center. We humbly ask you to allow their decision to include a strong commitment to our men and women returning from the military, providing jobs for these people who have sacrificed to keep our nation safe. We also ask that their decision include provisions for our local skilled craftsmen here in East County, men and women; that they may be able to find work locally and feed their families with jobs that provide a good wage, good healthcare and a pension that they may retire on with dignity. Finally, we ask that this decision may bring prosperity into the city of Brentwood by approval of this Project Labor Agreement. May this project be built with skill and care and be completed on budget and on time. We ask this through Christ our Lord...Amen.