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money for programs that they knew could take place. With so much uncertainty around whether large gatherings could be held, the Committee decided not to fund event activities.

Regarding the \$10,000 being set aside for GVCC events, I'm happy to share that the Council decided that these funds should be set aside annually to help organizations who would like to hold events at the Community Center, but cannot afford the space rental and/or ask the GVCC to donate the space. The organizations would simply reach out to City staff (you can direct them to me) and Michelle will review the requests and grant up to \$2,500 in support per request. This will hopefully help with the amount of requests for the GVCC to donate the space for various events since the Council recognizes that the events rental fees are important for your budget.

This was all decided in February of this year and the upcoming \$10,000 in funding is the first time we have set aside funds for this so I'm sure there will be some kinks to iron out, but don't hesitate to reach out any time along the way.

Also, regarding Juneteenth, that is great to know the GVCC would be interested in working with the group if they wanted to do a Goleta event. We are unsure if they will want to/be able to do anything separate in Goleta, but it's great to know. Would you like to me to submit that portion of your email as public comment to be read to the Council at this evening's meeting?

Again, thank you for being so proactive and for your understanding. I look forward to working with you throughout the year.

Best,

**Dominique Samario**

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**From:** Charlie Johnson <[cjohnson@thegvcc.org](mailto:cjohnson@thegvcc.org)>

**Sent:** Monday, July 06, 2020 11:10 AM

**To:** Dominique Samario <[dsamario@cityofgoleta.org](mailto:dsamario@cityofgoleta.org)>

**Subject:** Award of Goleta City Grants

Dominique,

July 5, 2020

I do not plan to actively participate in the City Council Meeting tomorrow evening July 6<sup>th</sup>, However I've read thru the Awards of Goleta City Grants document for the 2020/21 Program Year. We had applied for \$5,000 for Support of our Donated Space, and while I'm disappointed in the request not being recommended for funding, I fully understand the difficulties and challenges of trying to put dollars where they will truly make a difference.

I see that the City set aside and allocated \$10,000 to be used at the discretion of the City Manager to support request for special events at the Goleta Community Center. Can you provide me information on when and how to request those funds? I'm not sure what that process might be.

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