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MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	51
COUNCIL MEETING	1979 07 30

RE: AGAPE FORCE CANADA
P. O. BOX 233,
LEDUC, ALBERTA T9E 2Y1
FUND RAISING CANVASS
(ITEM 11, REPORT NO. 47, 1979 JULY 03)

Appearing on the agenda for the 1979 July 30 meeting of Council is a further letter from S. Morrison, Secretary for Agape Force (Canada) Inc., regarding solicitation of donations from Burnaby residents.

The following is a report from the Chief Licence Inspector in this regard.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the recommendation of the Chief Licence Inspector be adopted.

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER 1979 July 24
FROM: CHIEF LICENCE INSPECTOR
RE: FUND RAISING CANVASS

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council not endorse the request of Agape Force Canada to conduct a door-to-door fund raising canvass.

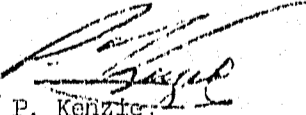
REPORT

On the agenda for the meeting of 1979 July 30 is a letter from Agape Force Canada requesting Council to further consider their request for endorsement of a door-to-door fund raising canvass.

At the meeting of 1979 July 03, the recommendations of Item 18, Manager's report No. 47 (copy attached) were adopted.

The Agape Force Canada organization now proposes to conduct their canvass at a time that would not overlap the United Way Appeal. They suggest three weeks in either August, September or October, as may be determined. This could eliminate one of the concerns set out in the report of 1979 July 03. However, it is still of concern at this time they have no plans to use proceeds from a canvass to provide facilities in the Municipality of Burnaby or the Greater Vancouver area.

In my opinion, the collection of funds to provide out of province rehabilitation programs for drug addiction and alcoholism is unwarranted because such facilities are available locally through the Provincial Government and other community organizations. Therefore it is recommended that Council not endorse the request of Agape Force Canada to conduct a door-to-door fund raising canvass.


P. Kenzie
Chief Licence Inspector

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Attach.

cc. Municipal Treasurer
Municipal Solicitor

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RE: LETTER FROM AGAPE FORCE (CANADA)
 10532 - 83rd STREET, EDMONTON
 FUND RAISING CANVASS
 (ITEM 11, REPORT NO. 56, 1978 AUGUST 14)

On the agenda for the 1979 June 25 meeting of Council appeared a request from Agape Force (Canada) for permission to collect donations from residents in Burnaby during the period 1979 September 01-30.

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RECOMMENDATION

1. THAT the recommendations of the Chief Licence Inspector be adopted.

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1979 June 28

TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER
 FROM: CHIEF LICENCE INSPECTOR
 RE: FUND RAISING CANVASS

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT no appeals or fund raising campaigns be approved for dates overlapping the United Way Appeal; and
2. THAT Council not endorse the request of Agape Force (Canada) to conduct a door-to-door fund raising canvass.

REPORT

At the meeting of 1979 June 25, Council received a request from Agape Force (Canada) to conduct a door-to-door fund raising canvass throughout the Municipality from 1979 September 01 to 30.

It should be recalled that this organization made a similar request in 1978. Council received Item 11, Report No. 56, copy attached, and took no action.

In 1978, they intended to canvass door-to-door and on the street. This year, they propose to go door-to-door only.

The activities of this organization do not constitute the operation of a business, therefore a Municipal licence is not required.

The Burnaby Street and Traffic By-law 1961, No. 4299, Section 24(6) reads:

"No person shall hold a tag day or otherwise solicit for donations of money or in kind or for material assistance upon any street, except with written permission of the Council."

The Municipal Solicitor has determined that the by-law does not have application to persons who canvass or solicit door-to-door. Further, Council is only empowered to enact regulations governing such activities when they are conducted on a highway only.

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Contact with Mr. John Follows, at their Edmonton office, determined:

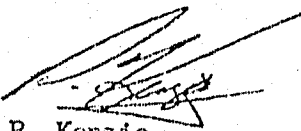
1. Fund raising will be conducted throughout the Greater Vancouver area. In Burnaby, it will be door-to-door only.
2. Proceeds from canvassing and other sources are used for:
 - rehabilitation programs. Included in this activity is the operation of a farm located in the Edmonton area where persons seeking help for drug addiction or alcoholism are accommodated.
 - to establish a proposed school for the training of their members in missionary fellowship and counselling.
 - living and travel expenses of canvassers and counsellors, and a monthly allowance or \$25.00 to \$120.00, based on an individual's length of service.
 - their Christian Outreach program. This involves taking their religious program into the community via local groups and organizations. They propose to conduct this program in the Greater Vancouver area during the Fall of this year.
 - donations to other registered charitable organizations.
3. Canvassers and counsellors are full-time members of the organization.
4. Record albums are given if a contribution is \$10.00 or more. For lesser amounts, contributors receive religious pamphlets.
5. They operate from rented premises in the Edmonton area. This is their Canadian headquarters. They propose to build their own facilities in the Calgary area. The parent body of the organization is located in Texas and they operate facilities in California also.
6. At this time, they do not propose to develop facilities or provide programs in the Municipality or the Greater Vancouver area, except the Christian Outreach service mentioned in item 2.

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A copy of the organization's financial statement to 1978 December 31 is available at the Municipal Clerk's office.

With respect to their rehabilitation programs for drug addiction, or alcoholism, such services are provided in B.C. through the Provincial Government and by other organizations with facilities located locally.

It is of concern that the dates of the proposed canvass are overlapping the United Way Appeal, which is regularly conducted during the months of September and October. Of further concern is that Agape Force (Canada) does not intend to provide facilities that would be available to the community. Based on these concerns, it is recommended that Council not endorse the request of Agape Force (Canada) to conduct a door-to-door fund raising canvass.


P. Kenzie
CHIEF LICENCE INSPECTOR

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Attach.

cc. Municipal Treasurer
Municipal Solicitor