To amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 608, Parks, to regulate the use of bake ovens and tandoor ovens in City parks.

WHEREAS under sections 7 and 8 of the City of Toronto Act, 2006, the City may pass by-laws respecting the use of its parks system; and

WHEREAS Council has approved the use of bake ovens and tandoor ovens within City parks; and

WHEREAS Municipal Code Chapter 608, Parks must be amended to include these conditions;

The Council of the City of Toronto HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

1. Chapter 608, Parks, of the City of Toronto Municipal Code is amended by deleting § 608-10 and substituting the following:

   § 608-10. Campfires, barbecues, bake ovens and tandoor ovens.

   A. Definitions.

   As used in this article, the following terms shall have the meaning indicated:

   BAKE OVEN - An enclosed or pre-cast structure with an oven opening used for baking or cooking food. A fire is set inside the structure's oven chamber by burning dry, seasoned hardwood. Bake ovens are often built as permanent structures set on a concrete pad. Food items are placed into the front opening, onto the flat, horizontal surface of the oven.

   TANDOOR OVEN – A structure often constructed of stainless steel with a clay pot/oven set inside, used for baking or cooking food. Tandoor ovens can be permanent or portable structures, set on a concrete pad. A fire is set to heat the oven by burning dry seasoned hardwood or charcoal, and food items are lowered into the oven through the top opening of the oven.

   B. While in a park, no person shall;

       (1) Light, build, use or stoke an open fire, bonfire, bake oven or tandoor oven unless authorized by permit;

       (2) Use any portable barbecues unless authorized by permit or where posted to allow the use;

       (3) Use fuel other than;
(a) Charcoal or briquettes in permanently fixed barbecues;

(b) Dry seasoned hardwood in bake ovens; and

(c) Dry seasoned hardwood or charcoal in tandoor ovens; or

(4) Leave a barbecue, campfire, bake oven or tandoor oven without extinguishing the fire and ensuring that the embers are cold.

2. This by-law shall come into force on the day after the set fine order is issued by the Regional Senior Judge of the Ontario Court of Justice.

ENACTED AND PASSED this ___ day of November, A.D. 2011.

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