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CITY OF TORONTO

BY-LAW No. 1093-2009

To amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 608, Parks, to change certain definitions, to allow working dogs providing a service to the City on swimming beaches and prohibited areas at all times, and to restrict swimming beach access to other dogs.

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

WHEREAS Council has approved changes to City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 608, Parks to allow working dogs providing a service to the City on swimming beaches and prohibited areas at all times, and to restrict swimming beach access to other dogs; and

WHEREAS City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 608, Parks must be amended to reflect the changes to such access;

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

1. Chapter 608, Parks, of the City of Toronto Municipal Code is amended as follows:

A. Section 608-1 is amended as follows:

- (1) By deleting the definition of “BLUE FLAG BEACH”.
- (2) By deleting “or blue flag designated beaches” from Subsection H of the definition of “PROHIBITED AREAS”.
- (3) By adding the following after “SPECIAL EVENT”:

“SWIMMING BEACH — A pebbly or sandy shore on Lake Ontario maintained and supervised by the City for bathing, swimming, sun bathing and other recreational activities.”

B. Section 608-34 is amended as follows:

- (1) Subsection A is amended as follows:
 - (a) By deleting Subsection A(1) and (2) and substituting the following:
 - “(1) Excluding a working dog providing a service to the City, allow the dog to run at large, except in a posted designated off-leash area.
 - (2) Excluding blind persons reliant upon a guide dog, and a working dog providing a service to the City, allow the dog to enter a prohibited area.”

- (b) By deleting “or” in Subsection A(3).
 - (c) By deleting the period in Subsection A(4) and substituting “; or”;
 - (d) By adding the following:
 - ”(5) Excluding blind persons reliant upon a guide dog, and a working dog providing a service to the City, allow the dog to enter a swimming beach except between November 1 and March 31.”
 - (2) Subsection B is re-numbered as Subsection C and the following is added as a new Subsection B:
 - “B. Despite § 608-34A(5), dogs are permitted off-leash below the snow fence line at Kew-Balmy Beach and Woodbine Beach between November 1 and March 31.”
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 27th day of October, A.D. 2009.

SANDRA BUSSIN,
Speaker

ULLI S. WATKISS
City Clerk

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