

ORDINANCE #513 - 2018

AMENDMENT TO THE BOROUGH OF FOREST CITY ORDINANCE #477-2008

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF FOREST CITY,
SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY AND COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,
AMENDING ORDINANCE #477-2008 OF FOREST CITY BOROUGH
RESTRICTING FIRES AND OPEN BURNING.**

WHEREAS, Forest City Borough has the authority to amend Ordinance #477-2008 under the exceptions to the burn ban as outlined in Ordinance #477-2008 on page 2; and

WHEREAS, Forest City Borough Council has determined the restrictions on burning in the Borough of Forest City should be amended to allow certain fire pits; and

WHEREAS, Borough Council of the Borough of Forest City desires to amend the said Ordinance to allow the use of certain recreational burning with specific limitations:

WHEREAS, Ordinance #447-2008, page two is amended as follows:

Exceptions:

Section 1 -

Paragraph E. Burning for recreational purposes, the use of fire pits, or any unit intended for burning clean, untreated wood, charcoal, natural gas or propane shall be permitted under the following conditions:

- i. Unit must be constructed of masonry, metal or other non-combustible rigid material containing a bottom, sides and a cover (a metal screen with spaces not more than one-half (1/2) square inch which covers the entire open area above the burn container opening.

- ii. Cover shall be maintained in good order as to prevent particles from escaping the burn container during operation.
- iii. Unit must be at least 20 ft from any structures or neighboring property.
- iv. An immediate source of water or a fire extinguisher must be maintained within 20 ft. of the unit.
- v. Hours of use are limited to 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight and adult supervision is required.
- vi. Burning in this type of unit or any burning within the Borough will not be permitted when a county-wide Burn Ban has been declared by Susquehanna County and violators may be subject to fines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Council of Forest City Borough, Susquehanna County and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania this 2nd day of July, 2018.

ATTEST:

FOREST CITY BOROUGH

By: _____
Sharon M. Vannan, Secretary/Treasurer

By: _____
Nicholas H. Cost, Council President

EXAMINED and APPROVED this 2nd day of JULY 2018.

By: _____
Mayor