The Council of the City of Shaker Heights met in a special meeting at 7:02 p.m., Mayor David E. Weiss presiding.

Council Members Present: Mr. Earl Williams  
Mr. Zimmerman  
Mr. Malone  
Mrs. Moore  
Mr. Roeder  
Ms. Anne Williams  
Ms. Carmella Williams

Council Members Absent: None

Audio of this meeting may be found [here](#) through September 15, 2020.

The Mayor asked the Clerk of Council if we have received any public comments on the agenda item.

CAO Chaikin stated that no public comments were received on the agenda item by email or by phone.

**Ordinance No. 20-48, by Mrs. Moore, amending Section 1230.03, Office Zoning District, and Section 1263.15 of the Zoning Code of the Shaker Heights Codified Ordinances to add laboratories and research facilities and limited production/processing as permitted uses.**

Senior Planner Daniel Feinstein stated that this is the second reading for this item. This is a request of the City to make Zoning Code text amendments. The City proposes to add laboratories and research facilities and limited production and processing uses to Section 1230.03 in the permitted use section of the Office Zoning District as well as a reference to the Office Zoning District in 1263.15 in the conditional use standards for these uses. This item was reviewed by the City Planning Commission on June 2, 2020 and first reading was held by Council on June 8, 2020. Council action on a Zoning Code text amendment requires three readings and a public hearing. The third reading and public hearing is scheduled for June 22, 2020. The uses we are proposing to add to the Office Zoning District are already listed uses in the Commercial Mixed Use Zoning District and C-3 Business Commercial Zoning District.
The uses are limited by the standards in Section 1263.15 and further limited by the environmental standards in Section 1260. The uses are further detailed by the definitions in Section 1211.

Mayor Weiss stated that he believes Council is pretty well informed on the background on this between committee meetings, briefing sessions and the first reading, relating to a constructive change of our Zoning Code to enable us greater flexibility to continue to attract new businesses to Shaker as well as important for one of our existing office users, CTL.

Council member Mr. Malone stated that this is a good idea for all the same reasons he discussed at the last Council meeting and at the City Planning Commission meeting.

Mayor Weiss reiterated that these are already permitted as conditional uses. We are not adding anything new, but adding it to the Office Zoning District.

Mr. Feinstein stated that we are taking existing uses that we have in a couple of our other commercial zoning districts and adding them to the Office Zoning District. Right now the Office Zoning District has three permitted uses: office, medical office, and playgrounds which we allow in every zoning district in the City. It is quite restrictive and this will open up the possibilities for uses in that Office Zoning District.

Mayor Weiss stated that this item will remain on second reading.

*   *   *   *

There being no further business before Council, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

_________________________________________
DAVID E. WEISS, Mayor

_________________________________________
JERI E. CHAIKIN, Clerk of Council