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The City of Oneonta Planning Commission unanimously approved the site plan application for the proposed Lofts on Dietz at their special meeting held Wednesday night. The Lofts on Dietz mixed use building will provide 40 units of affordable live/work space for artists and 24 middle income apartments in addition to providing a home for the Hartwick College Grain Innovation Center and a first floor art gallery. The Hartwick College Grain Innovation Center will be a key component of their developing Institute for Sustainable Foods.

The Planning Commission's approval follows Tuesday night's Council action to approve the sale of approximately ½ acre of the 2 acre Dietz Street parking lot to Parkview Development, LLC for \$257,500. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in 2020.

City of Oneonta Mayor Gary Herzig stated, "Together, we have taken a significant step forward in bringing commerce, vibrancy, and creativity to downtown Oneonta. The proposed Hartwick College Grain Innovation Center brings an academic presence to our downtown that has long been sought. Lofts on Dietz will help address our need for better housing options and will provide a spark to our efforts in positioning Oneonta to be a thriving community of the future".

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