

Former Grand Rapids Mayor George Heartwell is coming to Traverse City to share his experiences at the Paris climate talks and to discuss how cities can take local action in the fight against global climate change.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 7-8:30pm

Central United Methodist Church 222 S. Cass Street, Traverse City



Early in his tenure as Grand Rapids mayor, George Heartwell saw the threat of climate change to his community and began working to mitigate climate impacts and to create a city infrastructure that will be resilient to those impacts. During his 12 years as mayor, Heartwell led the city to set a 100% renewable energy goal—the first in Michigan—and significantly reduce its carbon footprint through a variety of other measures.

Introduction from Traverse City Mayor Jim Carruthers

There will be a closing panel discussion with Heartwell and local leaders.

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