



**Pedro E. Segarra**  
Mayor

## **MAYOR SEGARRA ASKS HARTFORD RESIDENTS TO BE PREPARED FOR MAJOR SNOWSTORM**

### **---NEWS AND COMMUNITY RELEASE---**

(January 10, 2011) --- The City of Hartford is preparing for the impending snowstorm and Mayor Pedro E. Segarra says there are actions that residents and business owners can take to help make the snow removal process more effective and efficient.

- Remove cars from the streets when a snowstorm is coming, especially during parking bans, when vehicles may be parked at public schools. **Please take notice: Police will tag vehicles left on the streets and may tow them.**
- Property owners are required by municipal code to clear sidewalks and wheelchair ramps within two (2) hours after the snow has ended or three (3) hours after sunrise if snow has fallen during the night.
- Shovel snow to the back of the walk instead of into the street. This reduces the amount of snow in the street. And, if possible, wait until the plow has passed.
- **Please do not push your driveway snow into the streets—it is illegal.**

“The City is prepared to tackle this snowstorm. Crews are ready and equipment is being prepped. We’re coordinating with the State Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security. Emergency officials advise that residents stock up on necessary food, medical, and safety items like flashlights and batteries,” said Mayor Segarra.

Here’s a quick overview of how Hartford removes snow and ice from its 210 miles of streets:

Before a storm streets are pre-treated with material to help melt the snow and prevent the snow from bonding on the road. Driving over the mixture helps melt the snow and makes removal easier.

Hartford is divided into 27 plowing routes that are plowed in this order:

1. Main streets that carry the most traffic
2. Side streets surrounding the hospitals and streets with hills
3. The remaining side streets

**The Mayor will hold a news conference to update residents on status of storm and storm preps on Tuesday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. in City Council Chambers.**