



**Pedro E. Segarra**  
**Mayor**

## **MAYOR SEGARRA CONCLUDES COLLABORATIVE BUDGET WORKSHOPS CLOSES 6-MEETING SERIES WITH COUNCIL MEMBERS**

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

(March 31, 2011) – Tonight Mayor Pedro E. Segarra called to a close a month-long series of budget workshops with City Council members.

“For a second straight year, the Mayor’s office and Council joined together in a respectful and productive process to discuss desired budget outcomes that benefit the residents of this great City. For me, this process provided insight into a great number of issues and concerns and I will rely a great deal on my findings when crafting and finalizing my budget,” said Mayor Segarra.

Tonight’s meeting focused on policy proposals brought up throughout the Committee of the Whole (COW) process, in addition to reviewing several unaddressed items from the 2010 budget process. Council members were provided with two documents; one that assessed potential impacts on both the expense and revenue sides of the budget, and another that provided detailed information and assessments on 25 issues and questions that were raised throughout this year’s series of workshops.

Mayor Segarra continued, “I want to thank Ted Carroll and the wonderful staff at Leadership Greater Hartford for facilitating these sessions, and I want to thank members of the City Council for their commitment to this collaborative process. I look forward to submitting a budget to Council in a few weeks that holds the line on spending; focuses on quality of life concerns; and properly balances the needs of residents, business owners, and our diverse neighborhoods.”

*Here are some important dates:*

Budget due from Mayor to Council:	April 18 <sup>th</sup>
Department Hearings:	April/May
Public Hearing at Bulkely High School:	April 26 <sup>th</sup>
Final Adoption of Budget:	May 31 <sup>st</sup>