



Pedro E. Segarra
Mayor

MAYOR SEGARRA ISSUES STATEMENT ON COUNCIL'S BUDGET ACTIONS TODAY

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(May 17, 2011) --- Hartford Mayor Pedro E. Segarra thanked members of the Court of Common Council for their swift action today as the City moved closer to finalizing the FY 2011-12 Budget.

“From day one, this has been a collaborative process that was designed to best serve and meet the needs of the residents and businesses of our diverse City. I am proud of my administration’s prudent and responsible fiscal decisions; no increase in the mil rate and no layoffs; and our investment in Summer Youth Employment and in our Department of Public Works. I set out to produce a budget that did not raise taxes, invested in quality of life and public safety issues, and maintained the level of essential services. I’m proud to say that we met that goal. Over the next few days I will look to implement the additional cuts in a manner that is consistent with my administration's mission and goals,” said Mayor Segarra.

At this point, the budget process is moving at what could be the earliest budget agreement reached in recent memory. For that, Mayor Segarra cited the tireless efforts of his staff, department heads, and the collaborative effort with Council that started in February with the Committee of the Whole (COW) meetings that were facilitated by Leadership Greater Hartford.