

A. Downtown Chamber Ribbon Cutting Policy

It is the policy of the Chamber that ribbon cutting ceremonies shall be conducted in association with Member businesses and their employees and representatives, as well as individual Members (collectively “Member” or “Members”) only. To qualify as a Member, the Member must have paid dues to the Chamber for the current membership year.

As a matter of policy, inquiries from Non-Members will be answered with guidance on becoming a Member.

Members qualify for a free ribbon cutting ceremony if and only if they meet one of the following requirements:

1. New business to the downtown chamber area; or
2. New chamber member

Existing Members will be assessed a fee for the following items:

\$100 Fee: Existing business downtown and/or current Member, **anniversaries and special celebrations, remodelings and grand openings, etc.**

\$250 Fee: **Ribbon Cutting & Business After Hours Combination**

Members scheduling a ribbon cutting will be invoiced upon scheduling. Payment in full is required prior to event promotion unless special arrangements have been requested and approved.

Exceptions to the policy must be approved by members of the Executive Committee (“Executive Committee”) of the Des Moines Downtown Chamber Board of Directors (“Chamber Board”).