

# City of Rialto - Rialto Network



## Candidates Forum Application

This application must be submitted to the staff of Rialto Network whose office is located at 150 S. Palm, North Annex, Rialto, CA 92376 (909) 421-7235 at a minimum of one (1) month prior to forum. The information required by this application is necessary so that appropriate arrangements for cablecast, equipment, personnel and the cable advisory commission approval can be made.

- A. **Advertisements.** Candidates for public office may not use Rialto Network cablecast time or equipment to advertise for public office.
- B. **Sponsored Candidate Forums/Debates:** Community non-profit organizations must file an application requesting to schedule a candidate forum for the purpose of giving all candidates the opportunity to participate in cablecast forums. No forum will be cablecast without an application being filed with Rialto Network and the cablecast approval being obtained from the Cable Advisory Commission.
  1. The forum shall be open to all candidates for the public offices being contested.
  2. The sponsoring organization shall provide at least ten days notice to all candidates of the intended date, time, and place of the forum and the intended format prior to submitting the application.
  3. Neither Rialto Network, the Cable Advisory Commission, nor the City of Rialto shall be involved in determining the format or content of the forum.
  4. Rialto Network is not subject to the equal time provisions of the FCC regulations, but seeks to ensure that differing viewpoints are represented as equally as possible.
  5. Rialto Network is subject to the fairness doctrine of the FCC regulations which requires that all coverage given to public issues must be adequate and fair. It is the objective of the Cable Advisory Commission to ensure that Rialto Network meets its legal obligation to present different attitudes and viewpoints concerning issues of public importance. All sponsored forums must provide a format that promotes an adequate coverage of the issues and fair treatment of opposing viewpoints.
  6. All candidate forum cablecasts are subject to the Federal Cable Act guidelines regarding unprotected speech. Any tape which in the judgment of Rialto Network's Cable Advisory Commission is in conflict with community standards or California Penal Code §311, or is otherwise unprotected by the United States Constitution will be prohibited.
  7. Rialto Network reserves the right to make additions regarding production announcements or technical applications, including editing for quality, as needed, to the sponsored to ensure a professional finished cablecast.

1. Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Non-profit ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Address: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Representative/Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_
6. Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Please attach Organization's By Laws and/or Mission Statement.
8. Is this to be a live or taped delayed cablecast? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Requesting city staff to record the forum? YES or NO \*
10. Location of Forum: \_\_\_\_\_
11. Time forum is to start: \_\_\_\_\_
12. Date and time requested for initial cablecast: \_\_\_\_\_
13. Please state the number of times you wish the forum to be replayed? \_\_\_\_\_  
*\*Please note that every effort will be made to meet your requested date and time; however, due to other programming commitments Rialto Network cannot guarantee that your program will be cablecast at the times you have requested.*
14. Has your Organization endorsed any candidates for this election? YES or NO
15. If the answer is yes, please list candidate(s) name(s):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
16. Have all legally qualified candidates been invited to participate? YES or NO
17. How many candidates will be attending? \_\_\_\_\_
18. Please attach the proposed format for the Forum, including the order in which each candidate will be questioned. This will aid staff in producing the program and allow the director to take the most appropriate camera angle for each candidate's response.

I certify that I have the legal authority to bind the organization submitting this application and that all provisions of the attached Rialto Network Policy & Guidelines (section 3.3) have been read and will be followed.

\*Note: Your Organization may be charged for city staff time used to set-up, tear down and editing of this program at an hourly rate.

Signature of Representative: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date received: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Reviewed by Staff: \_\_\_\_\_

Referred to Cable Advisory Commission on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Comments from Commission) \_\_\_\_\_

Approved Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Denied Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Staff: \_\_\_\_\_

If approved, cablecast date(s):

Cablecast Time #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Day of the Week: \_\_\_\_\_

Cablecast Time #2 \_\_\_\_\_ Day of the Week: \_\_\_\_\_

Cablecast Time #3 \_\_\_\_\_ Day of the Week: \_\_\_\_\_

Cablecast Time #4 \_\_\_\_\_ Day of the Week: \_\_\_\_\_

Cablecast Time #5 \_\_\_\_\_ Day of the Week: \_\_\_\_\_

Cablecast Time #6 \_\_\_\_\_ Day of the Week: \_\_\_\_\_

Cablecast Time #7 \_\_\_\_\_ Day of the Week: \_\_\_\_\_

Cablecast Time #8 \_\_\_\_\_ Day of the Week: \_\_\_\_\_

Cablecast Time #9 \_\_\_\_\_ Day of the Week: \_\_\_\_\_

Cablecast Time #10 \_\_\_\_\_ Day of the Week: \_\_\_\_\_

