

Q&A with the Candidates

Minnesota House District 58A

Many voters are wondering where their candidates stand on key issues. Below, we've gathered select answers so you can make an informed choice.



Kristi Pursell (D)



Gary Bruggenthies (R)

<p>Where do the candidates stand on cost of living issues?</p>	<p>Kristi Pursell supports raising the minimum wage and says that she will never vote to raise taxes on middle-class families.</p> <p>Source: https://www.kristipursell.com/my-priorities</p>	<p>Gary Bruggenthies wants to make it harder to crack down on price gougers and bad actors, who take advantage of moments of crisis for personal gain.</p> <p>Source: VoteBruggenthies.com/Issues; State of Minnesota, Emergency Executive Order, 20-10, 3/20/20</p>
<p>Where do the candidates stand on women's health and abortion access?</p>	<p>Kristi Pursell describes herself as "a fierce protector of every Minnesotan's fundamental right to make their own personal decision about abortion."</p> <p>Source: https://www.kristipursell.com/my-priorities</p>	<p>Gary Bruggenthies is committed to restricting abortion in Minnesota, including supporting extreme proposals that could make it harder for victims of rape and incest to access reproductive services.</p> <p>Source: VoteBruggenthies.com/Issues; MCCL Primary Election Voter's Guide, June-August 2022</p>
<p>Where do the candidates stand on vote-by-mail and election issues?</p>	<p>Kristi Pursell says that she'll support legislation to make it easier for eligible voters to vote and that she'll work to ensure that local officials can conduct elections fairly, transparently, and without intimidation.</p> <p>Source: https://www.kristipursell.com/my-priorities</p>	<p>Gary Bruggenthies supports repealing laws intended to make it easier and more convenient for Minnesotans to vote. He cast doubt on the outcome of the 2020 election, despite there being no evidence of widespread voter fraud.</p> <p>Source: VoteBruggenthies.com/Issues; Longview News-Journal, 5/20/22</p>

We encourage you to look at the candidates' websites and reputable news outlets for more information on these and other issues. Visit MyVoterInformation.org for information on early voting. The last day to vote is Election Day, Tuesday, November 8. We hope this information is useful to you and that you will be sure to vote!