

Empire Township

Land Use (in Acres)	1970	1975	1980	1984	1990		1997		2000		2005	
					MUSA	Total	MUSA	Total	MUSA	Total	MUSA	Total
Residential Total	342	363	420	437	0	483	0	527	182	620	256	737
Single Family Total			418	435	0	481	0	525	181	619	240	695
Single family detached									170	367	234	484
Manufactured housing park									0	0	0	0
Seasonal/vacation									0	0	0	0
Farmstead			214	214	0	217	0	219	11	252	6	211
Multifamily Total			2	2	0	2	0	2	1	1	16	42
Single family attached									0	0	15	18
Multifamily									1	1	1	1
Mixed use residential									0	0	0	23
Commercial Total	13	13	14	14	0	14	0	10	3	10	3	5
Retail									3	10	3	4
Office									0	0	0	1
Mixed use commercial									0	0	0	0
Industrial Total	32	74	97	109	0	112	0	184	0	283	7	476
Industrial and utilities					0	112	0	47	0	52	3	95
Extractive							0	137	0	190	0	335
Mixed use industrial									0	41	3	45
Airports					0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Railways									0	0	0	0
Institutional and Recreational Total	116	116	116	116	0	76	0	503	30	185	67	296
Institutional			92	92	0	65	0	367	1	32	36	118
Parks and recreational			24	24	0	11	0	136	29	153	30	178
Parks									29	31	30	59
Golf courses									0	122	0	120
Major 4-Lane Highways	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nonurbanized Land Total	21,777	21,714	21,571	21,542	0	21,289	0	20,284	449	20,370	366	19,100
Wetlands					0	2,464	0	2,397	15	2,357	23	2,278
Areas with 18% or greater slope									0	8	0	6
Undeveloped and Agricultural					0	18,825	0	17,887	434	18,005	343	16,816
Undeveloped									71	1,437	68	1,515
Agricultural									363	16,568	275	15,301
Open Water Bodies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	35
Total	22,280	22,280	22,218	22,218	0	21,974	0	21,508	664	21,504	700	20,650

The National Wetlands Inventory (NWI, data collected during the 1980s) was used to define the wetland boundaries and acres. Based on NWI, wetlands in this municipality total 2,417 acres (including open water).

Source: Metropolitan Council.