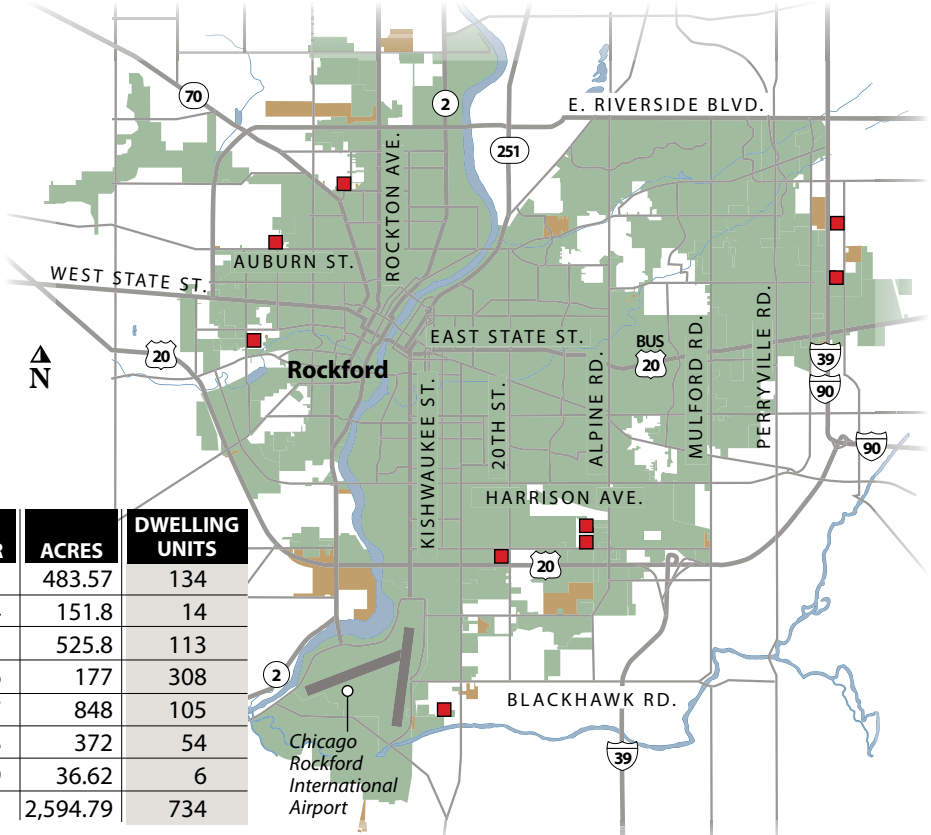


Land-grab plan

After some fairly active years of expansion, Rockford's growth came to a screeching halt in 2009. Now, a bill sponsored by Illinois Rep. Chuck Jefferson would allow the Rockford to forcibly annex unincorporated land in excess of 60 acres if it has been completely surrounded by the city for at least 10 years. Here's a snapshot of land the city has annexed.

ANNEX YEAR

■ Before 2006 ■ 2007-08 ■ 2009



YEAR	ACRES	DWELLING UNITS
2003	483.57	134
2004	151.8	14
2005	525.8	113
2006	177	308
2007	848	105
2008	372	54
2009	36.62	6
Total	2,594.79	734

Source: City of Rockford