

# MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION FORM B - BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING  
220 MORRISSEY BLVD  
BOSTON, MA 02125

### Photograph

(3"x3" or 3-1/2"x5" black and white only) Label photo on back with town and property address. Record film roll and negative numbers here on the form. Staple photo to left side of form over this space. Attach additional photos to continuation sheets.

Roll	Negative(s)



### Sketch Map

Draw a map showing the building's location in relation to the nearest cross streets and/or major natural features. Show all buildings between inventoried building and nearest intersection or natural feature. Label streets including route numbers, if any. Circle and number the inventoried building. Indicate north.

**Town** Provincetown  
**Place** (neighborhood or village)  
**Address** 61 COMMERCIAL ST  
**Building ID** 1616  
**Parcel No. (PID)** 06-2-021-0  
**Mapbase #** 06-2-021  
**Building Area** 1215.529  
**Historic Name**  
**Present Use** Residential  
**Original Use** Residential  
**Date of Construction** 1820  
**Source** Tax assessment  
**Style/Form**  
**Architect/Builder**  
**Exterior Material** Clapboard, wood shingle on sides  
**Foundation** brick  
**Wall/Trim** wood  
**Roof** Side Gable  
**Outbuildings/Secondary Structures**  
 formerly associated with cottage at 61A Commercial

### Major Alterations (with dates)

Ell addition; Replacement windows (c. 1990s)

**Condition** Good  
**Moved**  no  yes **Date**  
**Acreage** 0.058  
**Setting**

**Recorded by** Vanessa Zeoli  
**Organization** Kise Straw & Kolodner  
**Date** (month/year) September 2003  
**Form Status**  new  update

Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

Follow Massachusetts Historical Commission Survey Manual instructions for completing this form.

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### ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

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*Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings in the community.*

61 Commercial St. is a 1-1/2-story; 5-bay side gable cottage with a 1-story rear ell; the exterior is clad in clapboard on the primary façade and wood shingles on secondary façades; the roof is clad in wood shingles and includes front gable dormers; a shed dormer on rear slope and a corbelled interior brick chimney; fenestration includes 6/6 and 2/2 DHS vinyl windows; the primary entrance has a wood paneled door and dimple wood surround; the hipped-roof rear addition is clad in vinyl siding.

### HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

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*Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.*

As per Tom Boland (1994): One of several buildings in the area relocated from the settlement as Long Point. Originally owned by John Ghen. Mr. Ghen is noted as having run a store at the Long Point settlement. As of 1880, the site, still owned by Mr. Ghen, had a small wharf attached. By 1907, the property had come under the ownership of Mrs. J. Sears.

### BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. *If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*