

Area	Form no.
	42-4

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

Town Uxbridge

Address 28 South Main Street

Historic Name Uxbridge Passenger Depot

Use: Original passenger station

Present Savers Cooperative Bank

Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization

Public

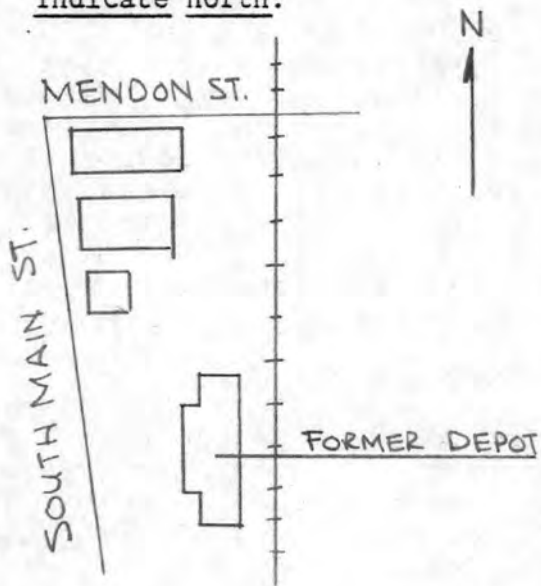
Original owner Providence & Worcester
 Railroad

PHOTO (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
 Staple to left side of form
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SKETCH MAP

Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



DESCRIPTION:

Date 1895

Source Sprague 1927: 72-73

Style eclectic-elements of Queen Anne

Architect unknown

Exterior wall fabric granite & brick

Outbuildings none

Major alterations (with dates) sash
 changed, glazed porch added-1970's

Moved no Date N/A

Approx. acreage .30 acres

Setting in commercial district bordering
 railroad bed, set back from street
 opposite town hall.

UTM: 19 282520 4661290 Quad: UX

Recorded by B.R. Pfeiffer

Organization Uxbridge Historical
 Commission

Date May 1981

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

The former Uxbridge Passenger Depot retains all the major elements of its original design and serves as a good example of late-nineteenth century architecture. The building consists of a one-storey central section enclosed by a high hip roof and two flanking wings. The whole structure rests on a high basement of rock-faced granite ashlar. Decorative details of the street front (west) include a central dormer with a decorated gable and copper trim. The east elevation, facing the railroad bed, contains a recessed platform supported by posts with braces. The building also retains a slate roof.

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

The former Uxbridge Depot derives its historical significance both from its preservation of its original design and from its use as the town's major passenger depot until the mid-twentieth century. A petition requesting that the Providence & Worcester Railroad provide a suitable passenger depot at Uxbridge was filed by local residents with the Massachusetts General Court in May 1893. Although the bill was approved and the railroad company was required to replace the original passenger and freight depot that had been built in 1849, construction of the present building did not begin until July 1894 and was not completed until 1895 when the new station opened. After 1895, the building remained in use until the mid-twentieth century when declining train travel led to its closing and sale to the present owner.

The Uxbridge Passenger Depot possesses integrity of location, design, setting and workmanship, as well as historical associations as one of several major civic improvements made during the 1890s, a period during which village improvement became active throughout the region. The Depot meets criteria A and C of the NRHP.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Maps & Atlases: 1855, 1857, 1870, 1898
Sprague 1927: 69, 72-73

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community:

Uxbridge

Form No:

42-4

Property Name: Passenger Depot

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

Alterations consist of the addition of a glazed porch (west) and the installation of modern sash within existing window openings, neither of which damages the basic integrity of the building's design.

OWNER

Savers Cooperative Bank
15 Elm St.
Southbridge, MA 01550

Staple to Inventory form at bottom

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

For NPS use only
received 8/26/83
date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

Page 4 of 5

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Uxbridge Multiple Resource Area
State MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Substantive Review

Date/Signature

Determined Eligible

31. Sprague, Albert, House

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Keeper

Eligible Patrick Andrews 10/7/83

Attest

32. Southwick, Elisha, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melores Byers 10/7/83

Attest

33. Southwick, Israel, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melores Byers 10/7/83

Attest

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34. Farnum, William and Mary,
House

Substantive Review

for Keeper

Bruce Van Driel 1/20/84

Attest

35. Thomson, C. R., House
and Barn

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melores Byers 10/7/83

Attest

100

36. Uxbridge Common District

Keeper

Bruce Van Driel 1/20/84

Attest

37. Uxbridge Passenger Depot

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melores Byers 10/7/83

Attest

38. Uxbridge Town Hall

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melores Byers 10/7/83

Attest

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39. Waucantuck Mill Complex

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melores Byers 1/20/84

Attest

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40. Wheelockville District

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melores Byers 1/20/84

Attest

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Uxbridge Passenger Depot (Uxbridge MRA)
Worcester County
MASSACHUSETTS

AUG 26 1983

Working No. _____
Fed. Reg. Date: 2-5-85
Date Due: 9/22/83 - 10/10/83
Action: ACCEPT 10/7/83
 RETURN _____
 REJECT _____
Federal Agency: _____

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Entered in the _____
National Register _____
Federal Agency: _____

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*) _____

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

title _____ date _____

13. Other

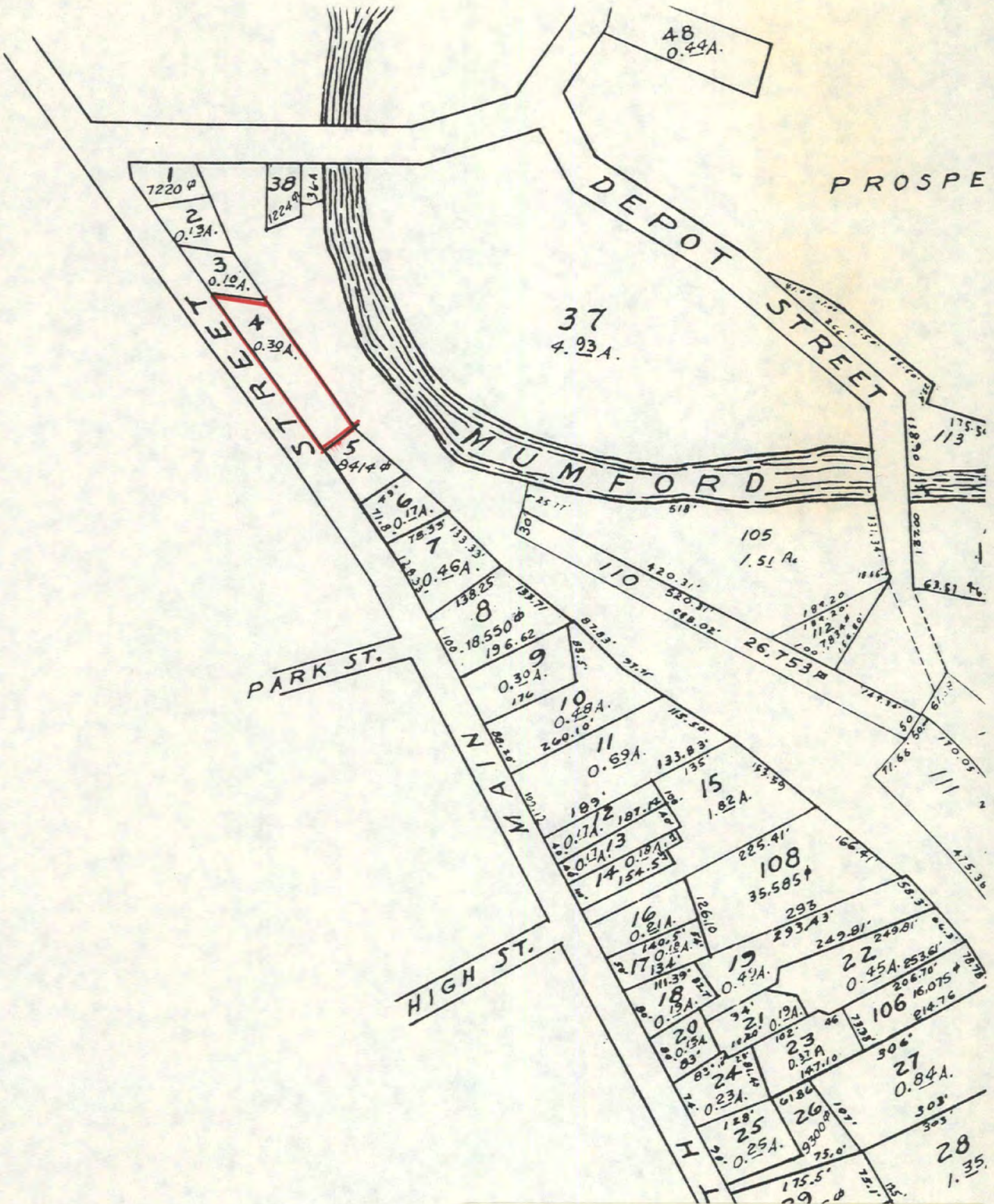
- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



PLAT 41



Uxbridge Multiple Resource Area
 Uxbridge Passenger Depot
 28 South Main Street
 Map #42 Lot #4

Uxbridge Assessors
 1" = 200' 1983

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000299