FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Ferson |                   |       | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC [ AVB ] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |   |                       |  |  |
|---|-------------------|-------|---|---|---|-----------------------|--|--|
| <u>WILLIAMS AMY P</u>                   |                   |       | [ I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I                                       | X   | Director  | 10% Owner             |  |  |
|   |                   | ,     | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)                              |   | Officer (give title below)  | Other (specify below) |  |  |
| C/O AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC.         |                   | INC.  | 05/18/2005  |   |   |                       |  |  |
| 2900 EISENHOW                           | ER AVE., SUITE 30 | 0     |   |   |   |                       |  |  |
| (Street) ALEXANDRIA                     | VA                | 22314 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                      | 6. Indivi   | dual or Joint/Group Filing (C<br>Form filed by One Reporti<br>Form filed by More than C | ing Person            |  |  |
| (City)                                  | (State)           | (Zip) |   |   |   |                       |  |  |

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

|   |  |   |                                 |   |        |               | -         |  |   |   |
|---|--|---|---------------------------------|---|--------|---------------|-----------|--|---|---|
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)         | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transac<br>Code (II<br>8) |   |        |               |           | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially Owned<br>Following Reported<br>Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |
|   |  |   | Code                            | v | Amount | (A) or<br>(D) | Price     | (Instr. 3 and 4)   |   | (Instr. 4)  |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 05/18/2005                                 |   | A                               |   | 1,998  | A             | \$0.00(1) | 8,816(2)   | D   |   |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 05/19/2005                                 |   | М                               |   | 7,000  | A             | \$44.35   | 15,816(2)  | D   |   |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 05/19/2005                                 |   | S                               |   | 7,000  | D             | \$76.61   | 8,816(2)   | D   |   |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 05/19/2005                                 |   | М                               |   | 7,000  | A             | \$46.36   | 15,816(2)  | D   |   |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 05/19/2005                                 |   | S                               |   | 7,000  | D             | \$76.83   | 8,816(2)   | D   |   |

# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transac<br>Code (li<br>8) |   | Derivative |       | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security (Instr.<br>3 and 4) |                                     | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|--|---|--|---|---------------------------------|---|------------|-------|--|--------------------|--|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
|  |   |  |   | Code                            | v | (A)        | (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |   | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4)   |  |  |
| Stock Options<br>(Right to Buy)                  | \$44.35   | 05/19/2005                                 |   | M                               |   |            | 7,000 | 05/15/2002   | 05/15/2011         | Common<br>Stock  | 7,000                               | \$0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>                               | 14,000 <sup>(4)</sup>  | D  |  |
| Stock Options<br>(Right to Buy)                  | \$46.36   | 05/19/2005                                 |   | М                               |   |            | 7,000 | 05/14/2003   | 05/14/2012         | Common<br>Stock  | 7,000                               | \$0.00 <sup>(5)</sup>                               | 7,000 <sup>(6)</sup>   | D  |  |

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Reflects grant of shares of Restricted Stock under the issuer's Stock Option and Incentive Plan, which are subject to vesting requirements.
- 2. The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, some of which may be subject to vesting requirements.
- 3. The options exercised were granted on May 15, 2001 under the issuer's Stock Option and Incentive Plan.
- 4. The number of derivative securities beneficially owned following the reported transaction includes options with varying exercise prices and vesting dates. Following the reported transaction the reporting person holds no more options that expire on May 15, 2011 with an exercise price of \$44.35
- 5. The options exercised were granted on May 14, 2002 under the issuer's Stock Option and Incentive Plan.
- 6. The number of derivative securities beneficially owned following the reported transaction includes all options beneficially owned. Following the reported transaction the reporting person holds no more options that expire on May 14, 2012 with an exercise price of \$46.36

#### Remarks:

By Edward M. Schulman under 05/20/2005 Power of Attorney dated May 20, 2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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