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 Person* |                 |          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC [ AVB ] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |   |                       |  |  |  |
|--|-----------------|----------|---|---|---|-----------------------|--|--|--|
| NAUGHTON T                               | <u>IMOTHY J</u> |          | AVALONDAT COMMONTHES INC [ AVB ]  | X   | Director  | 10% Owner             |  |  |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)                  |                 | (Middle) |   | X   | Officer (give title below)  | Other (specify below) |  |  |  |
|  |                 |          | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/23/2006                   |   | ,   |                       |  |  |  |
| (Street) ALEXANDRIA                      | VA              | 22314    | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                      | 6. Indiv  | dual or Joint/Group Filing (Che<br>Form filed by One Reporting<br>Form filed by More than One | Person                |  |  |  |
| (City)                                   | (State)         | (Zip)    |   |   | 2, Word than one  | 5                     |  |  |  |

### 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 (I<br>8) |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |               |            | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially Owned<br>Following Reported<br>Transaction(s) (Instr. | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
|   |  |   | Code                           | v | Amount  | (A) or<br>(D) | Price      | 3 and 4)   |   | (Instr. 4)                                 |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 02/23/2006                                 |   | М                              |   | 4,400   | A             | \$33.75    | 91,584.871(1)  | D   |  |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 02/23/2006                                 |   | S                              |   | 4,400   | D             | \$104.01   | 87,184.871(1)  | D   |  |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 02/23/2006                                 |   | G                              |   | 100   | D             | \$0.00(2)  | 87,084.871(1)  | D   |  |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 02/24/2006                                 |   | М                              |   | 6,900   | Α             | \$33.75    | 93,984.871(1)  | D   |  |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 02/24/2006                                 |   | S                              |   | 6,900   | D             | \$104.0459 | 87,084.871(1)  | 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 (Ir<br>8) |   |     |       | 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)   |  |  |
| Employee Stock<br>Options (Right to<br>Buy)      | \$33.75   | 02/23/2006                                 |   | M                               |   |     | 4,400 | 02/28/2001 <sup>(3)</sup>                                      | 02/28/2010         | Common<br>Stock  | 4,400                               | \$0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>                               | 354,181 <sup>(4)</sup>   | D  |  |
| Employee Stock<br>Options (Right to<br>Buy)      | \$33.75   | 02/24/2006                                 |   | M                               |   |     | 6,900 | 02/28/2001 <sup>(3)</sup>                                      | 02/28/2010         | Common<br>Stock  | 6,900                               | \$0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>                               | 347,281 <sup>(5)</sup>   | D  |  |

#### Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including restricted shares.
- 2. Reflects gift of 100 shares.
- 3. The options exercised were included in options granted on February 28, 2000, which became exercisable in three equal annual installments, beginning on February 28, 2001.
- 4. The number of derivative securities benefically owned following the reported transaction includes options with varying exercise prices and vesting dates. Following the reported transaction, the reported transaction, the reported transaction held 6,900 more options that expire on February 28, 2010 with an exercise price of \$33.75.
- 5. 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 February 28, 2010 with an exercise price of \$33.75.

## Remarks:

Edward M. Schulman under Power of Attorney dated January 1, 2000

\*\* 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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