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 Add Hills Stephe | ress of Reporting Per en <u>P.</u> | son [*] | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC</u> [AVB] | 5. Relationship of Re (Check all applicable X Director | teporting Person(s) to Issuer le) 10% Owne | er | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/01/2023 | Officer (gi below) | ive title Other (spe below) | cify | |
| 4040 WILSON | BAY COMMUNI | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Lin X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Perso | | | |
| (Street) ARLINGTON | VA | 22203 | Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a con affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10. | ntract, instruction or written p | plan that is intended to satisfy the | | |

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | Date | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | Securities | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | |
|---|------------|---|---|---|--|---------------|--------|---------------------------|---|---|--|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 06/01/2023 | | Α | | 990 ⁽¹⁾ | Α | \$0.00 | 6,380.4742 ⁽²⁾ | D | | |

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

| | Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 8) | | Derivative | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|---------------------|---|--|---|------|---|------------|-----|--|--------------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Reflects grant of Deferred Stock Units ("Units") under the issuer's Second Amended and Restated 2009 Equity Incentive Plan, which Units are subject to vesting requirements. The Units will convert into common stock on a one to one basis when the reporting person ceases to be an employee or director of the issuer.

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.

Remarks:

By Edward M. Schulman under

06/05/2023

20, 2017 ** Signature of Reporting Person

Power of Attorney dated August

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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