MEYER GILBERT M

Form 4

February 14, 2006

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MEYER GILBERT M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

Symbol

AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES

(Check all applicable)

INC [AVB]

02/13/2006

(Month/Day/Year)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O AVALONBAY

COMMUNITIES, INC., 2900

EISENHOWER AVE., SUITE 300

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect

D

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

Code V Amount

or (D) Price

(1)

Transaction(s) (I) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 4)

Common

per share

Stock, par 02/13/2006 value \$.01

\$ 36.625 M 25,000 A

(A)

1,124,231.626 (2)

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

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

1. Title of Derivative 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)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orderivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.625	02/13/2006		M	25,	,000	01/24/1998(3)	01/24/2007	Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MEYER GILBERT M C/O AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC. 2900 EISENHOWER AVE., SUITE 300 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314



Signatures

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

02/14/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- Reflects grant of Deferred Stock Units ("Units") under the issuer's Stock Option and Incentive Plan pursuant to an election previously

 (1) made by the reporting person to receive Units in lieu of the quarterly cash director's fee otherwise due. The Units will convert into common stock on a one for one basis when the reporting person ceases to be an employee or director of the issuer.
 - The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including Deferred Stock Units ("Units") which may be subject to vesting requirements. The Units will convert into common stock when the
- (2) reporting person ceases to be an employee or director of the issuer. The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction also includes 319.384 Units issued as dividend reinvestment equivalents on the reporting person's Unit on the issuer's fourth quarter dividend payment date.
- (3) The options exercised were included in options granted on January 24, 1997 under the issuer's Stock Incentive Plan, which became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on January 24, 1998.
- The number of derivative securities beneficially owned following the reported transaction includes options granted in prior periods with varying exercise prices and vesting dates. Following the reported transaction the reporting person holds 75,000 options that expire on January 24, 2007 with an exercise price of \$36.625.

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