**BLAIR BRYCE** Form 4

May 29, 2012

## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations

may continue.

See Instruction

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

**BLAIR BRYCE** 

(Last)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

**AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES** 

INC [AVB]

(Month/Day/Year)

05/25/2012

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OMB

Number:

Expires:

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Estimated average

burden hours per

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2005

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Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

Chairman of the Board

10% Owner

Other (specify

C/O AVALONBAY

COMMUNITIES,

INC., BALLSTON TOWER, 671 N.

(First)

**GLEBE ROAD** 

(Street)

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

M

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Director

X\_ Officer (give title

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

295,108.181 D

(1)

ARLINGTON, VA 22203

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivative Securities Acquire	ed, Disposed of, o	r Beneficially	Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or or OrDisposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or Amount (D) Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/25/2012		M	23,760 A \$48.6	285,098.181 (1)	D	

10,010 A

\$ 74.2

Common 05/25/2012

Stock, par

value \$.01 per

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Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/25/2012	S	32,500	D	\$ 139.858 (2)	262,608.181 (1)	D
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per	05/25/2012	S	1,270	D	\$ 140.9517	261,338.181 (1)	D

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orDeriv Secur Acqu or Di (D)	rities tired (A) sposed of : 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 48.6	05/25/2012		M		23,760	02/11/2010(4)	02/11/2019	Common Stock	23,760
Stock Options (Right to	\$ 74.2	05/25/2012		M		10,010	02/11/2011(5)	02/11/2020	Common Stock	10,010

## **Reporting Owners**

Buy)

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
BLAIR BRYCE	X		Chairman					
C/O AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC.			of the Board					

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#### BALLSTON TOWER, 671 N. GLEBE ROAD ARLINGTON, VA 22203

### **Signatures**

By Catherine T. White under Power of Attorney dated as of January 20 2009

05/29/2012

\*\*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).
- (1) The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including restricted shares.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$139.400 to \$140.385. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$140.80 to \$141.18. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- (4) The options exercised were included in options granted under the issuer's stock option and incentive plan on February 11, 2009 which became exercisable in three equal installments beginning on February 11, 2010.
- (5) The options exercised were included in options granted under the issuer's stock option and incentive plan on February 11, 2010 which became exercisable in three equal installments beginning on February 11, 2011.
- (6) Following the reported transactions, the reporting person holds a total of 119,208 options to purchase the issuer's common stock granted on various dates with varying exercise prices and vesting dates.

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