

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HARRIS DANIEL J</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>209 HAVEMEYER STREET</u> (Street) <u>BROOKLYN NY 11211</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES</u> <u>INC [DCOM]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Executive Vice President</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>04/29/2016</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or 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 Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	04/29/2016	04/29/2016	A		5,453	A	\$18.11	16,871	I	Restricted Stock Awards
Common Stock	05/01/2016	05/01/2016	J		4,679 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$18.11	12,192	I	Restricted Stock Awards
Common Stock	05/01/2016	05/01/2016	J		4,679 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$18.11	15,679	D	
Common Stock	05/02/2016	05/02/2016	S		4,679	D	\$17.93	11,000	D	
Common Stock	05/02/2016	05/02/2016	X		8,166	A	\$16.73	19,166	D	
Common Stock	05/02/2016	05/02/2016	X		2,297	A	\$12.75	21,463	D	
Common Stock	05/02/2016	05/02/2016	S		2,297	D	\$17.93	19,166	D	
Common Stock	05/02/2016	05/02/2016	X		3,671	A	\$15.46	22,837	D	
Common Stock	05/02/2016	05/02/2016	S		3,671	D	\$17.93	19,166	D	
Common Stock	05/02/2016	05/02/2016	S		8,166	D	\$17.93	11,000	D	
Common Stock								0	I	401(K)
Common Stock								5,060	I	Benefit Maintenance Plan
Common Stock								0	I	Spouse
Common Stock								5,896	I	ESOP

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative 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 of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. 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				
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$16.73	05/02/2016	05/02/2016	X			8,166	05/01/2012 ⁽²⁾	07/31/2018	Common Stock	8,166	\$0	0	D	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$12.75	05/02/2016	05/02/2016	X			2,297	05/01/2011	04/30/2020	Common Stock	2,297	\$0	0	D	

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(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$15.46	05/02/2016	05/02/2016	X			3,671	05/01/2015 ⁽³⁾	04/29/2021	Common Stock	3,671	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Vesting of stock award shares on May 1, 2016.
- Award vests in equal annual installments (adjusted for rounding) on May 1, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012.
- Award vests in equal annual installments on May 1, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015.

/s/ DANIEL J. HARRIS

05/03/2016

** 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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