## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>KING TIMOTHY B</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES INC</u> [ DCOM ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Confficer (give title Other (specify				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 209 HAVEMEYER STREET						Date 0 5/01/2		t Tran	saction (M	onth/[	Day/Year)		below) below) SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT					
(Street) BROOKLYN NY 11211						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(S	-	(Zip)															
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Date				nsaction h/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Yea		Code (Ins		Disposed	ies Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an		5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported	s Illy ollowing	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transacti (Instr. 3 a	on(s)			( )
Common Stock														83,	181		D	
Common Stock														40,	107		I	BMP
Common Stock														48,	619		I	ESOP
Common Stock									_		ļ	_		68	30	<u> </u>	I	Other
Common Stock													11,	11,452		I	Restricted Stock Awards	
			Table II -								osed of, convertib			Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day		Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerci: Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye			7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numb derivativ Securitie Beneficia Owned Followin Reported Transact (Instr. 4)	ve es ally ig d tion(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownershi (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$10.91								10/21/20	)2	11/21/2011	Common Stock	7,500		7,50	)0	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$13.16								02/01/20	04	02/01/2013	Common Stock	24,000		24,00	00	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$15.1								05/31/2006 05/		05/31/2015	Common Stock	19,569		19,50	69	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$19.9								01/27/20	05	01/27/2014	Common Stock	24,000		24,0	00	D	
Stock	<u> </u>						-											

Explanation of Responses:

1. Options vest in equal 1/4th annual installments on May 1, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011.

## TIMOTHY B. KING

05/03/2007 on Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person 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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