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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| | Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Perez Michael A | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES</u> <u>INC</u> [DCOM] | | tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) | on(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below) |
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| (Last) (First) 300 CADMAN PLAZA WEST 8TH FLOOR | | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/30/2019 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | EVP & Chief Retai | , |
| (Street) BROOKLYN (City) | NY (State) | 11201 (Zip) | | | idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repor Form filed by More than Person | ting 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) | | | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
|---------------------------------|--|---|---|---|--------|---------------------|---------|---|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) Price | | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 04/30/2019 | | A | | 3,513 | A | \$20.15 | 5,305 | I | Restricted Stock Awards | | |
| Common Stock | 05/01/2019 | | J ⁽¹⁾ | | 448 | A | \$20.15 | 448 | D | | | |
| Common Stock | 05/01/2019 | | F | | 149 | D | (2) | 299 | D | | | |
| Common Stock | 05/01/2019 | | J ⁽¹⁾ | | 448 | A | \$20.15 | 4,857 | Ι | Restricted Stock Awards | | |

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| | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Title of erivative ecurity nstr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | ate, 4. 5. Number Transaction Code (Instr. Derivative | | | ative rities ired osed . 3, 4 | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y | 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) | 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 | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Vesting of restricted stock on May 1, 2019

2. Shares withheld by the Company to satisfy taxes.

Remarks:

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Leslie Veluswamy, as attorney in fact for PEREZ MICHAEL

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05/02/2019

** 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).

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