FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  KING TIMOTHY B						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES INC [ DCOM ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 209 HAVEMEYER STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/05/2010													
(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					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)											Perso					
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deri	vativ	e Sec	curiti	ies Ad	quire	d, Di	sposed o	of, or Be	neficia	lly Owne	d				
1. Title of	Security (Ins	tr. 3)		2. Transa Date (Month/D		Execu Year) if any		Deemed cution Date, ly nth/Day/Year)		ction Instr.		s Acquired (A) or of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Securiti Benefic Owned Reporte	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		Direct I Indirect I str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code V		Amount	(A) or (D) Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)					
Common	Stock			05/05/2010		0	05/05/2010		S <sup>(1)</sup>		2,500	D	\$13.27	04 100	),519		D		
Common	Stock														0			401(k) Plan	
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Common	Stock													52	,801		I 1	Esop	
Common	Stock														0		I (	Other	
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Restricted Stock Award														6,	882		D		
Restricted Stock Award														7,	7,630		I !	Restricted Stock Award	
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1. Title of Derivative Security  2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/D		med 4.		5. Number of		6. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		sable and	7. Title and Amor of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security	9. Number derivativ Securitie Beneficia Owned Followin Reported Transact (Instr. 4)	ve Owners es Form: ially Direct ( or Indir ng (I) (Insti		Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ıble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$12.75					ode V			05/01/2011		04/30/2020	Common Stock	7,875		7,87	5	D		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$19.9								01/27/2	005	01/27/2014	Common Stock	24,000		24,00	00	D		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$15.1								05/31/20	06 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/31/2015	Common Stock	19,569		19,56	59	D		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$13.74								05/01/20	08 <sup>(3)</sup>	05/01/2017	Common Stock	50,000		50,00	00	D		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$16.73								05/01/20	12 <sup>(4)</sup>	07/31/2018	Common Stock	7,321		7,32	1	D		

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)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8) S A A (I/I) D O			osed ) r. 3, 4	6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye	e	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)	\$8.34							05/01/2010	04/30/2019	Common Stock	16,228		16,228	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- $1. \ Sale \ made \ solely \ to \ fund \ income \ tax \ obligations \ related \ to \ the \ vesting \ of \ stock \ award \ shares \ on \ April \ 30, \ 2010.$
- $2.\ Options\ vest\ in\ equal\ annual\ installments\ on\ May\ 31,\ 2006,\ 2007,\ 2008\ and\ 2009.$
- $3.\ Options\ vest\ in\ equal\ 1/4th\ annual\ installments\ on\ May\ 1,\ 2008,\ 2009,\ 2010\ and\ 2011.$
- 4. Award vests in equal annual installments (adjusted for rounding) on May 1, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012.

<u>/s/ TIMOTHY B. KING</u> <u>05/07/2010</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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