

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SMITH GREGORY H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA

(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60606

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)

05/12/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price		
Common Shares of Beneficial Interest					46,064 <sup>(1)</sup>	D			
Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	05/12/2006		A	2,741	A	\$ 36.47	136,624 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	SERP

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. 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.0625					01/24/2001	01/24/2010	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	56,970
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.55					02/07/2004	02/07/2013	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	45,920
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.844					01/18/2002	01/18/2011	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	43,520
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.2					01/16/2003	01/16/2012	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	50,090
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.6					07/11/2002	07/11/2011	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	65,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.25					01/27/2004	01/27/2014	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	43,690
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.76					02/03/2005	02/03/2015	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	33,140

Non-Qualified  
Stock Option \$ 42.8  
(right to buy)

02/03/2007 02/03/2017

Common  
Shares of  
Beneficial 26,95  
Interest

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH GREGORY H TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA CHICAGO, IL 60606			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

By: Barbara Shuman,  
Attorney-in-fact 05/16/2006

\_\_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) Shares reported on this line are owned directly and some of the shares are subject to vesting.
- (3) Share options reported on this line are fully exercisable.
- (5) 29,013 share options reported herein are currently exercisable; and 14,507 share options will become exercisable on January 18, 2004.
- (2) Shares reported herein are owned by the AST Trust Company, as Trustee of the Equity Residential Supplemental Retirement Plan for the benefit of the reporting person and were acquired through Equity Residential's Employee Share Purchase Plan.
- (6) 16,697 share options reported herein are currently exercisable; 16,697 share options are scheduled to vest on January 16, 2004; and 16,697 share options are scheduled to vest on January 16, 2005.
- (9) Share options reported on this line will become exercisable in three equal installments on February 3, 2006; February 3, 2007 and February 3, 2008.
- (4) 15,307 share options reported herein will become exercisable on February 7, 2004; 15,307 share options will become exercisable on February 7, 2005; 15,307 share options will become exercisable on February 7, 2006.
- (7) One-third of the share options reported on this line are exercisable; one-third will become exercisable on July 11, 2003; and one-third will become exercisable on July 11, 2004.
- (8) Share options reported on this line will become exercisable in three equal installments on January 27, 2005; January 27, 2006 and January 27, 2007.

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