#### **EDWARDS JAMES D**

Form 4 June 04, 2012

### FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **EDWARDS JAMES D** Issuer Symbol **COUSINS PROPERTIES INC** (Check all applicable) [CUZ] (Middle) (Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) 191 PEACHTREE STREET, SUITE 05/31/2012 500 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(State)

(Zip)

ATLANTA, GA 30303

(City)

Applicable Line)

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/31/2012		A	6,673 (1)	A	\$ 7.4924	29,075	D	
Common Stock	06/01/2012		M(2)	595	A	\$ 0	29,670	D	
Common Stock	06/01/2012		D	595	D	\$ 7.4486	29,075	D	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number Door Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8 II S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	<u>(3)</u>	06/01/2012		M	595	06/01/2010	06/01/2013	Common Stock	595	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
EDWARDS JAMES D 191 PEACHTREE STREET SUITE 500 ATLANTA, GA 30303	X					

### **Signatures**

/s/ Kristin R. Myers, by Power of Attorney

06/04/2012 Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

# **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).
  - Half of the 2012-2013 director annual retainer was paid in stock under the Cousins Properties Incorporated 2009 Incentive Stock Plan.
- (1) For the purpose of determining the number of shares granted, the value of the Corporation's common stock is equal to the average closing price on each trading day during the 30 calendar day period ending May 31, 2012.
- Restricted stock units were granted under the Cousins Properties Incorporated 2005 Restricted Stock Unit Plan (the 2005 RSU Plan) and (2) have vested as to 25% of the total units granted. As required under the 2005 RSU Plan, the vested units were settled for cash from CPI. Each restricted stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of CPI common stock.
- (3) Award of restricted stock units under Cousins Properties Incorporated (CPI) 2005 Restricted Stock Unit Plan. Each unit represents a right to receive a payment in cash equal to the average of the closing price of CPI's common stock on each trading day during the 30 day period ending on the date payment is due under the plan. These units will vest 25% per year on each anniversary date of the grant, with units being 100% vested in year 4 of the grant term. Unforfeited shares held prior to vesting will earn dividends paid annually but will not have

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shareholder rights. All unvested shares will forfeit upon separation from service as a member of the Board.

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