

TAUBMAN CENTERS INC
Form 4
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BLUM ESTHER R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

TAUBMAN CENTERS, INC., 200
E. LONG LAKE ROAD, SUITE 300

(Street)

BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48304

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

TAUBMAN CENTERS INC [TCO]

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

05/15/2006

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)
Senior VP, Controller and CAO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting 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)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. F...
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 40.25	05/15/2006	A	994					⁽²⁾	05/15/2016	Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	994
Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾	⁽³⁾	05/15/2006	A	302					⁽⁴⁾	⁽⁴⁾	Common Stock	302

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BLUM ESTHER R TAUBMAN CENTERS, INC. 200 E. LONG LAKE ROAD, SUITE 300 BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48304			Senior VP, Controller and CAO	

Signatures

/s/ Donald J. Kunz,
Attorney-in-Fact

05/17/2006

 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).

Options were granted to the reporting person pursuant to The Taubman Realty Group Limited Partnership ("TRG") 1992 Incentive Option Plan, as amended (the "1992 Plan"). The Company is the Managing General Partner of TRG. Options granted under the 1992 Plan

(1) are exercisable for units of limited partnership interest in TRG. Under the Company's continuing offer to employees covered by the 1992 Plan and certain other partners in TRG, each unit of limited partnership interest in TRG held by an offeree is exchangeable for one share of the Company's common stock.

(2) The option vests in three equal installments on March 1, 2007, March 1, 2008 and March 1, 2009.

Restricted stock units were granted to the reporting person pursuant to The Taubman Company 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive upon vesting one share of the Company's common stock, plus a cash payment equal to the aggregate cash dividends that would have been paid on such share of the Company's common stock if the share had been outstanding from the date of the grant of the award to the vesting date.

(4) The restricted stock units vest on March 1, 2009.

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