#### **COUSINS PROPERTIES INC**

Form 4

February 18, 2014

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Ellis James T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol **COUSINS PROPERTIES INC** [CUZ]

(Check all applicable)

**SVP** 

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(City)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/14/2014

Director X\_ Officer (give title below) below)

10% Owner Other (specify

191 PEACHTREE STREET NE, SUITE 500

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date 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

D

Ι

Person

Issuer

ATLANTA, GA 30303

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

(State)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 3. Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

or Code V (D) Amount

Price

 $26,256 \frac{(2)}{2}$ 

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 02/14/2014 Stock

 $F^{(1)}$ 678 D 11.1

(A)

By Profit Sharing Plan

Stock

Common

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 | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date |                    | 4.         | 5.         | 6. Date Exerc |            | 7. Title    |          | 8. Price of | 9. Nu  |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|---------------|------------|-------------|----------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transacti  | orNumber   | Expiration D  | ate        | Amou        | nt of    | Derivative  | Deriv  |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code       | of         | (Month/Day/   | Year)      | Under       | lying    | Security    | Secur  |
| (Instr. 3)  | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e             |            | Securi      | ties     | (Instr. 5)  | Bene   |
|             | Derivative  |                     |                    |            | Securities |               |            | (Instr.     | 3 and 4) |             | Own    |
|             | Security    |                     |                    |            | Acquired   |               |            |             |          |             | Follo  |
|             |             |                     |                    |            | (A) or     |               |            |             |          |             | Repo   |
|             |             |                     |                    |            | Disposed   |               |            |             |          |             | Trans  |
|             |             |                     |                    |            | of (D)     |               |            |             |          |             | (Instr |
|             |             |                     |                    |            | (Instr. 3, |               |            |             |          |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |            | 4, and 5)  |               |            |             |          |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |            |            |               |            |             |          |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |            |            |               |            |             | Amount   |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |            |            | Date          | Expiration |             | or       |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |            |            | Exercisable   | Date       | Title Numbe | Number   |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |            |            | Lacicisable   |            |             | of       |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    | Code V     | (A) (D)    |               |            |             | Shares   |             |        |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |  |
| Ellis James T<br>191 PEACHTREE STREET NE<br>SUITE 500<br>ATLANTA, GA 30303 |               |           | SVP     |       |  |  |  |

# **Signatures**

Reporting Person

/s/ James T. 02/18/2014 Ellis \*\*Signature of 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).
- Shares withheld from the vesting of restricted stock to pay the reporting person's tax liability as permitted under the 2009 Incentive Stock Plan.
- Includes 12,608 shares of restricted stock awarded under the CPI 2009 Incentive Stock Plan. While the shares are being held prior to (2) vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends and to vote the restricted shares. All unvested shares will forfeit upon termination of employment.

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