

AMERICAN VANGUARD CORP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Zirakparvar Esmail

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 AMERICAN VANGUARD CORP  
 [AVD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 4695 MACARTHUR COURT, STE 1200  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 06/08/2016

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

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

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

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

**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 or Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 06/08/2016                           |  | A                              |   | 3,501<br>(1)  | A  | \$ 0 21,522 D                     |
| Common Stock                    | 06/08/2016                           |  | A                              |   | 3,315<br>(2)  | A  | \$ 0 24,837 D                     |

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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Zirakparvar Esmail<br>4695 MACARTHUR COURT, STE 1200<br>NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ ESMAIL  
ZIRAKPARVAR  
06/10/2016  
\*\*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).  
 These shares were originally issued to the reporting person pursuant to the issuer's equity incentive plan (the "Plan") as the equity component of the annual fees payable to the issuer's non-management directors in 2015. Because the shares had been issued after the expiration date of the Plan, the reporting person returned such shares to the issuer (with board approval) pursuant to Rule 16b-3(e) on or about March 24, 2016 with the understanding that they would be replaced upon extension of the Plan's term. The Plan's term was extended by the approval of issuer's shareholders at the issuer's 2016 annual meeting of shareholders.
- (2) These shares were awarded in connection with reporting person's election to issuer's board of directors at its 2016 annual meeting of shareholders.

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