

Sprouts Farmers Market, Inc.  
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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 \*  
 Maredia Amin N.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

5455 EAST HIGH STREET, SUITE 111

(Street)

PHOENIX, AZ 85054

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Sprouts Farmers Market, Inc. [SFM]

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

05/23/2016

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)

Chief Executive Officer

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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	05/23/2016		A		215,251 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 0
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share					65,000	I	

By Amin Maredia Family Growth Fund, L.P. <sup>(3)</sup>

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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
Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 24.48	05/23/2016		A	386,496	<u>(5)</u>	08/11/2022	Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share	386,496

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Maredia Amin N. 5455 EAST HIGH STREET SUITE 111 PHOENIX, AZ 85054	X		Chief Executive Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Brandon F. Lombardi, Attorney-in-Fact for Amin N. Maredia 05/25/2016

\_\_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).

(1) Represents shares of restricted stock granted to compensate the reporting person for options to purchase shares of the Issuer's common stock originally granted to the reporting person on August 11, 2015 that have subsequently been determined to have been null and void. These shares of restricted stock vest in seven equal quarterly installments at the end of each calendar quarter beginning December 31, 2016 and continuing through June 30, 2018.

(2) Includes, in addition to the 215,251 restricted shares described in Note (1), 2,932 shares of common stock, 2,219 restricted stock units and 8,637 performance share awards. Each restricted stock unit and performance share award represent the right to receive, upon vesting, one share of common stock. The restricted stock units will vest on March 4, 2017, and the performance share awards will vest one-half on March 11, 2017 and one-half on March 11, 2018, in each case, assuming continued service through such dates.

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- These shares of common stock are held by Amin Maredia Family Growth Fund, L.P., an entity established by the reporting person for
- (3) estate planning purposes. The reporting person (i) may be deemed to have beneficial ownership of the shares owned of record thereby, and (ii) has shared voting and investment power with respect to such shares.
  - (4) Represents options granted to compensate the reporting person for options to purchase shares of the Issuer's common stock originally granted to the reporting person on August 11, 2015 that have subsequently been determined to have been null and void.
  - (5) Vest in seven equal quarterly installments at the end of each calendar quarter beginning December 31, 2016 and continuing through June 30, 2018.

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