

TAUBMAN CENTERS INC

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FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public
Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the
Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ALLISON GRAHAM T (Last) (First) (Middle) HARVARD UNIVERSITY, JFK SCHOOL OF GOVT, ROOM T-110 (Street) CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TAUBMAN CENTERS INC [TCO]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)
3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) 1/2/2009		
4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> 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. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	1/2/2009		A		835 ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾	A	\$0	9002 ⁽³⁾	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Under The Taubman Centers, Inc. Non-Employee Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan, each non-employee director may defer the receipt of all or a portion of his or her director retainer (cash and stock) until the earlier of the termination of such director's service on the Company's Board of Directors and upon a change of control. Such deferred compensation is denominated in restricted stock units, and the number of restricted stock units received equals the deferred retainer fee divided by the fair market value of the Company's common stock on the business day immediately before the date the director would otherwise have been entitled to receive the retainer fee. The shares referred to above represent the quarterly retainer fee, which has been deferred in full.
- (2) The restricted stock units represent the right to receive equivalent shares of common stock at the end of the deferral period, and each director's account is 100% vested at all times. Therefore, the reporting person has elected to report the deferral as shares of common stock received on the grant date.
- (3) Under The Taubman Centers, Inc. Non-Employee Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan, each director's account is credited with dividend equivalents on the deferred restricted stock units when the Company pays cash dividends on its common stock, and such dividend equivalents are denominated in additional restricted stock units based on the fair market value of the Company's common stock on the business day immediately before the record date of the applicable dividend payment. The receipt of such dividends since the last Form 4 filing has been reflected in the column entitled "amount of securities beneficially owned following reported transaction(s)", but has not been reported as a separate transaction.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ALLISON GRAHAM T HARVARD UNIVERSITY, JFK SCHOOL OF GOVT ROOM T-110 CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138	X			

Signatures/s/ Michael S. Ben, Attorney-in-Fact1/6/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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