#### HARRISON WILLIAM B JR

Form 4

August 19, 2009

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

3600

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

HARRISON WILLIAM B JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

**COUSINS PROPERTIES INC** 

[CUZ]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 08/17/2009

191 PEACHTREE STREET, SUITE

(Middle)

(Zip)

(Street)

(State)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

ATLANTA, GA 30303

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|-----------------|---------------------|---|------------|-------------------------------|---|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|
| 1.Title of      | 2. Transaction Date | nsaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquire |            | cquired                       | 5. Amount of                            | 6. Ownership | 7. Nature of      |                   |            |
| Security        | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if                                | Transactio | Transaction(A) or Disposed of |   |              | Securities        | Form: Direct      | Indirect   |
| (Instr. 3)      |                     | any   | Code       | (D)                           |   |              | Beneficially      | (D) or            | Beneficial |
|                 |                     | (Month/Day/Year)                                  | (Instr. 8) | (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)           |   | Owned        | Indirect (I)      | Ownership         |            |
|                 |                     |   |            |                               |   | Following    | (Instr. 4)        | (Instr. 4)        |            |
|                 |                     |   |            |                               | ( )                                     |              | Reported          |                   |            |
|                 |                     |   |            |                               | (A)                                     |              | Transaction(s)    |                   |            |
|                 |                     |   | Code V     | Amount                        | or<br>(D)                               | Price        | (Instr. 3 and 4)  |                   |            |
| Common<br>Stock | 08/17/2009          |   | M(1)       | 152                           | A                                       | \$0          | 9,909 (2)         | D                 |            |
| Common<br>Stock | 08/17/2009          |   | D          | 152                           | D                                       | \$<br>8.67   | 9,757 (2)         | 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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number on f 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<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|---|--|--------------------|---|--|
|   |   |                                      | Code V                                 | (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Phantom<br>Stock                                    | <u>(3)</u>  | 08/17/2009                           | M                                      | 152   | 08/15/2007(4)  | 08/15/2010         | Common<br>Stock   | 152                                    |

## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| • 0  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |
| HARRISON WILLIAM B JR<br>191 PEACHTREE STREET<br>SUITE 3600<br>ATLANTA, GA 30303 | X             |           |         |       |  |  |

## **Signatures**

/s/ Kristin R. Myers, by Power of
Attorney 08/19/2009

\*\*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).
- Restricted stock units were granted under the Cousins Properties Incorporated 2005 Restricted Stock Unit Plan (the 2005 RSU Plan) and (1) have vested as to 25% of the total units granted. As required under the 2005 RSU Plan, the vested units were settled for cash from CPI. Each restricted stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of CPI common stock.
  - Includes 607 shares of restricted stock awarded under the Cousins Properties Incorporated (CPI) 1999 Incentive Stock Plan. These shares will vest 25% per year on each anniversary date of the grant as previously disclosed, and CPI will hold these shares until such shares
- (2) become vested. While the shares are being held prior to vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends and to vote the restricted shares. All unvested shares will forfeit if the Director's service as a member of the CPI Board of Directors terminates, unless separation is due to death.
- (3) Award of restricted stock units under the Cousins Properties Incorporated (CPI) 2005 Restricted Stock Unit Plan, as amended. Each unit represents a right to receive a payment in cash equal to the fair market value of one share of CPI's common stock as of the date payment is due under the Plan. These units will vest 25% per year on each anniversary date of the grant, with units being 100% vested in year 4 of the grant term. While the shares are being held prior to vesting, the reporting person will have the right to receive all cash dividends but will not have shareholder rights. All unvested shares will forfeit if the Director's service as a member of the CPI Board of Directors

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terminates, unless separation is due to death or change in control.

(4) Restricted Stock Units granted 8/15/2006.

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