

STAPLES DAVID M  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
STAPLES DAVID M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O 850 - 76TH STREET SW

(Street)

GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49518

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SPARTAN STORES INC [SPTN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/07/2006

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)  
Exec. Vice President & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	02/07/2006		M		9,680 A \$ 7.44	80,458	D
Common Stock	02/07/2006		M		26,250 A \$ 8.07	106,708	D
Common Stock	02/07/2006		M		1,562 A \$ 3.25	108,270	D
Common Stock	02/07/2006		S		2,208 D \$ 11.55	106,062	D
Common Stock	02/08/2006		S		17,662 D \$ 11.36	88,400	D

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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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.44	02/07/2006		M	9,680	10/11/2001 10/10/2010	Common Stock	16,666
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.44					10/11/2002 10/10/2010	Common Stock	16,666
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.44					10/11/2003 10/10/2010	Common Stock	16,666
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.07	02/07/2006		M	8,750	05/08/2003 05/07/2012	Common Stock	8,750
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.07	02/07/2006		M	8,750	05/08/2004 05/07/2012	Common Stock	8,750
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.07	02/07/2006		M	8,750	05/08/2005 05/07/2012	Common Stock	8,750
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.07					05/08/2006 05/07/2012	Common Stock	8,750

Buy)									
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.25	02/07/2006	M	1,562	05/12/2005	05/11/2014	Common Stock	1,562	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.25				05/12/2006	05/11/2014	Common Stock	1,562	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.25				05/12/2007	05/11/2014	Common Stock	1,563	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.25				05/12/2008	05/11/2014	Common Stock	1,563	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STAPLES DAVID M C/O 850 - 76TH STREET SW GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49518			Exec. Vice President & CFO	

## Signatures

/s/ Gordon R. Lewis, by attorney  
in fact

02/09/2006

\_\_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).

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