Sprouts Farmers Market, Inc.

Form 4

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Frumkin Theodore Edward II Issuer Symbol Sprouts Farmers Market, Inc. [SFM] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify 5455 EAST HIGH STREET, SUITE 02/23/2016 below) below) 111 Chief Development Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting PHOENIX, AZ 85054 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

> Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

Common Stock, par

3,169 5,297 (2) value 02/23/2016 D (1)

\$0.001 per share

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

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Frumkin Theodore Edward II 5455 EAST HIGH STREET SUITE 111 PHOENIX, AZ 85054

Chief Development Officer

# **Signatures**

/s/ Brandon F. Lombardi, Attorney-in-Fact for Theodore E. Frumkin

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\*\*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).
- Represents performance share awards granted to the Reporting Person on March 11, 2015 under the Issuer's 2013 Incentive Plan, as amended. On February 23, 2016, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Issuer determined that the performance conditions were met with respect to such performance share awards. 50% of such shares will vest on each of the second and third anniversaries of the grant date, subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service through such dates.
- In addition to the shares underlying the performance share awards described in footnote 1 above, amount includes 500 shares of common stock and 1,628 restricted stock units. Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive, upon vesting, one share of common stock. These restricted stock units will vest over three years, with one-third vested on March 4, 2015; one-third vesting on March 4, 2016; and the remaining one-third vesting on March 4, 2017, assuming continued employment through such dates.

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