

Sanders Dan J
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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 *
 Sanders Dan J

(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)

09/11/2018

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 ___X___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

Chief Operations Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

___X___ 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	09/11/2018		M		15,117	A	\$ 20.98
					58,645		
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	09/11/2018		S		15,117	D	\$ 28.9116
					43,528		(1)
Common Stock, par	09/11/2018		M		4,812	A	\$ 28.21
					48,340		

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value
\$0.001 per
share

Common
Stock, par
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share

09/11/2018 S 4,812 D 28.9116 43,528 ⁽²⁾ D
(1)

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)	\$ 20.98	09/11/2018		M	15,117	⁽³⁾ 08/11/2022	Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share	15,117
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.21	09/11/2018		M	4,812	⁽⁴⁾ 03/04/2023	Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share	4,812

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Sanders Dan J 5455 EAST HIGH STREET SUITE 111	Director 10% Owner Officer Other Chief Operations Officer

PHOENIX, AZ 85054

Signatures

/s/ Brandon F. Lombardi, Attorney-in-Fact for Dan J.
Sanders

09/12/2018

__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) The reported price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$28.90 to \$28.95 per share, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.

(2) Includes 30,750 shares of restricted stock and 12,778 performance share awards. Each share of restricted stock and performance share awards represents the right to receive, upon vesting, one share of common stock. 23,428 shares of restricted stock will vest evenly over two years on March 3, 2019 and 2020. 814 shares of restricted stock will vest on March 4, 2019. The remaining 6,508 restricted shares will vest over three years, with one-third vesting on March 5, 2019; one-third vesting on March 5, 2020; and the remaining one-third vesting on March 5, 2021. The 12,778 performance shares will vest annually over two years on March 3, 2019 and 2020. All such vests assume continued employment through the applicable dates.

(3) All such options are presently exercisable.

(4) The reporting person is exercising options that are presently exercisable. After giving effect to this transaction, the remaining options become exercisable on March 4, 2019.

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