

EASTGROUP PROPERTIES INC
 Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
PETSAS WILLIAM D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
EASTGROUP PROPERTIES INC [EGP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2200 E. CAMELBACK ROAD, SUITE 210
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/02/2016

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

PHOENIX, AZ 85016

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | 03/02/2016 | | A | 3,814 | A <u>(1)</u> | 129,022 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/02/2016 | | F | 226 | D \$ <u>(2)</u> | 56.05 128,796 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/02/2016 | | A | 2,653 | A <u>(3)</u> | 131,449 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/02/2016 | | F | 196 | D \$ <u>(4)</u> | 56.05 131,253 <u>(5)</u> | 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

| | | | |
|----------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| | | Senior Vice President | |

PETSAS WILLIAM D
2200 E. CAMELBACK ROAD, SUITE 210
PHOENIX, AZ 85016

Signatures

Michael C. Donlon, Attorney-in-Fact for William D. Petsas

03/04/2016

__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) Award of restricted shares as 2015 annual long-term incentive compensation pursuant to the Company's 2013 Equity Incentive Plan. These restricted shares vest one-fifth on the date of grant and one-fifth on each of January 1, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020.
- (2) On March 2, 2016, 763 restricted shares vested and the Reporting Person instructed the Company to withhold 226 shares to cover tax withholding obligations as permitted under the Company's 2013 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (3) Award of restricted shares as 2015 multi-year long-term incentive compensation pursuant to the Company's 2013 Equity Incentive Plan. These restricted shares vest one-fourth on the date of grant and one-fourth on each of January 1, 2017, 2018 and 2019.
- (4) On March 2, 2016, 664 restricted shares vested and the Reporting Person instructed the Company to withhold 196 shares to cover tax withholding obligations as permitted under the Company's 2013 Equity Incentive Plan.

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- (5) As of the date hereof, the Reporting Person's direct beneficial ownership includes 34,315 restricted shares granted under the Company's 2013 Equity Incentive Plan and the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, that have not yet vested.

Remarks:

The securities listed as direct ownership are owned by the Reporting Person and his spouse as co-trustees for the Petsas Revoc

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