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

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *															5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
Maiorana Brendan C						HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC. [ HIW ]								Director	,				
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)									_X_ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) EVP, Finance and Treasurer					
3100 SMOK 600	ETREE	COURT	Γ, SUI	ГЕ				3/1	/20	21									
	(Stre	eet)			4. I	f An	nendme	nt, Date O	rigir	nal Fil	ed (MM/I	D/YY	ΥY	6. Individual o	or Joint/G	roup Filing	(Check App	icable Line)	
RALEIGH, NC 27604 (City) (State) (Zip)															X _ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
			Table l	I - Non	-Der	ivati	ive Secu	ırities Ac	quir	ed, Di	sposed (	of, or	· Be	eneficially Own	ed				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Trans.	Date	Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any		3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		or Dis	or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock (1)				3/1/202	21	1 3/1/2021		Code A	V	5352.0	` ′	\$0.		20879.00		4) <b>D</b>			
				3/1/202	021 3/1/202		1/2021	F		1054.0	00 D	\$0.	00	19825.00		D			
Common Stock (3) 3/1/20				3/1/202	21	3/1/2021		D		522.0	0 D	\$0.	00	19303.00		D			
	Tab	ole II - De	rivative	Securi	ties	Bene	eficially	Owned (	e.g.,	puts,	calls, w	arrai	nts,	, options, conve	tible sec	urities)			
1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deer Execution Date, if a	n (Ins	rans. str. 8)	Code	de 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date						Underlying Derivative Security Security		Form of Derivative Security:	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
	Security			C	ode	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exer	cisable	Expiration Date	Title		mount or Number of hares		Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (I) (Instr. 4)		

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- (1) Consists of time-based restricted stock granted by the Company that vests ratably over four years on March 1st of each year after the grant date and total return-based restricted stock granted by the Company that vests at the end of the applicable measurement period to the extent actual performance exceeds certain levels of performance.
- (2) In accordance with the terms of the initial restricted stock award and in connection with the vesting of the award, the reporting person tendered a portion of the restricted stock award to the issuer in satisfaction of tax liabilities.
- (3) Represents the number of total return-based shares of restricted stock forfeited because the Company achieved less than target levels of performance relative to predetermined goals.

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Maiorana Brendan C								
3100 SMOKETREE COURT, SUITE 600			EVP, Finance and Treasurer					
RALEIGH, NC 27604								

#### **Signatures**

/s/ Jeffrey D. Miller Attorney in fact for Brendan C. Maiorana

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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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