#### SOTHEBYS HOLDINGS INC

Form 4 May 02, 2005

### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5

Check this box

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* TAUBMAN ROBERT S

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SOTHEBYS HOLDINGS INC

[BID]

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

38500 WOODWARD 04/29/2005 **AVENUE, SUITE 100** 

(Middle)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

Issuer

below)

X\_ Director

Officer (give title

**BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48304** 

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

**OMB APPROVAL** 

3235-0287

January 31,

2005

0.5

**OMB** 

Number:

Expires:

response...

Estimated average

burden hours per

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Persons who respond to the collection of SEC 1474 information contained in this form are not (9-02)required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

### Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Price 1. Title of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of **Expiration Date** Underlying Securities Derivative Conversion

### Edgar Filing: SOTHEBYS HOLDINGS INC - Form 4

Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	04/29/2005		A	565		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Class A Ltd. Voting Common	565	(3)

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

TAUBMAN ROBERT S
38500 WOODWARD AVENUE
SUITE 100
BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI 48304

# **Signatures**

Reporting Person

/s/ Robert
Taubman

\*\*Signature of 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) One for One

The deferred stock units were accrued under the Sotheby's Holdings, Inc. 1998 Stock Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (the "Plan") as a result of a partial or full deferral election with respect to stock compensation paid under the Plan. These units will be settled 100% in Sotheby's Holdings, Inc. Class A Limited Voting Common Stock (except that fractional shares, if any, will be settled in cash) after the reporting person's termination of service on the Sotheby's Holdings, Inc. Board.

(3) Not applicable

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

Reporting Owners 2