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NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
April 23, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 22, 2002

NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware  
(State or other  
jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

0-22278  
(Commission File  
Number)

06-1377322  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

615 Merrick Avenue, Westbury, New York 11590  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (516) 683-4100

Not Applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8 and 9. Not Applicable.

Item 5. Other Events.  
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New York Community Bancorp (the "Company"), Inc. previously filed a Registration Statement on Form S-3, Registration No. 333-86682 (the "Registration Statement"), together with certain trust subsidiaries of the Company (the "Trusts"). The Registration Statement relates to the proposed shelf offering of Debt Securities of the Company, Common Stock of the Company, Warrants to purchase Common Stock of the Company, Preferred Securities of the

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Trusts, and Units comprised of Preferred Securities of New York Community Capital Trust V and Warrants to purchase Common Stock of the Company. Attached hereto as Exhibit 4(h) (ii) is the Form of Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust relating to the preferred securities that may be issued by New York Community Capital Trust V and Exhibit 5(b) (v), the Opinion of Morris, James, Hitchens, & Williams LLP as to the legality of such preferred securities. Exhibits 4(h) (ii) and 5(b) (v) supplement the Registration Statement and are incorporated by reference therein and herein.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits  
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(a) Financial statements of businesses acquired.

Not applicable

(b) Pro forma financial information.

Not applicable

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit 4(h) (ii): Form of Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust relating to the preferred securities that may be issued by New York Community Capital Trust V

Exhibit 5(b) (v): Opinion of Morris, James, Hitchens, & Williams LLP as to the legality of preferred securities that may be issued by New York Community Capital Trust V.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/ Joseph R. Ficalora

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Joseph R. Ficalora  
President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: April 23, 2002

EXHIBIT INDEX  
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5(b) (v)

Opinion of Morris, James, Hitchens, & Williams ::LLP as to the  
legality of preferred securities that may be issued by New  
York Community Capital Trust V