UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): March 7, 2025

MERITAGE HOMES CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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| (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | (Commission Number | | Employer fication No.) |
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| (Re | (480) 515-8100 gistrant's telephone number, i | | |
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| (Former N | lame or Former Address, if Cl | nanged Since Last Report) | |
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| | |) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 24 | |
| □ Pre-commencement communic | cations pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c |) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240 | 0.13e-4(c) |
| Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) | of the Act: | | |
| Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | Name of each exchange on w | hich registered |
| Common Stock \$.01 par value | MTH | New York Stock Exc | hange |
| ndicate by check mark whether the registrant is 933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of | s an emerging growth company of the Securities Exchange Act of | as defined in Rule 405 of the Securitie of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). | es Act of |
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ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS

On March 7, 2025, the Executive Compensation Committee (the "Compensation Committee") of the Company approved increases in certain components of compensation for Phillippe Lord, Chief Executive Officer, Hilla Sferruzza, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Clinton Szubinski, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Malissia Clinton, Executive Vice President and General Counsel, and Javier Feliciano, Executive Vice President and Chief People Officer, as allowed by each of their respective employment agreements. The compensation for Steven J. Hilton, Executive Chairman, remains unchanged.

Following is a description of the changes in compensation for each executive. The descriptions contained in this Form 8-K are qualified in their entirety by the terms of the actual notices filed herewith as exhibits to this Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein.

Base Salary Compensation

The base salary for the executives set forth below will be increased effective January 1, 2025 as shown in the table below. The base salary for Mr. Lord remains unchanged.

| Executive Officer | Revised Base Salary |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Hilla Sferruzza | \$800,000 |
| Clinton Szubinski | \$800,000 |
| Malissia Clinton | \$560,000 |
| Javier Feliciano | \$515,000 |

Performance-Based Cash Incentive and Equity (Non-Cash) Compensation

The target annual cash incentive bonus and target value of equity compensation (non-cash)increased to the amounts noted below.

| Executive Officer | Revised Annual Target Cash Incentive Compensation | Revised Annual Target (non- cash) Equity Incentive Compensation ⁽¹⁾ |
|-------------------|--|--|
| Phillippe Lord | \$3,250,000 | \$5,500,000 |
| Hilla Sferruzza | \$1,400,000 | \$1,800,000 |
| Clinton Szubinski | \$2,000,000 | \$2,200,000 |
| Malissia Clinton | \$560,000 | \$952,000 |
| Javier Feliciano | \$386,250 | \$849,750 |

(1) Approximately 50% of the award value is to be comprised of time-based restricted stock units and approximately 50% of the award value is to be comprised of performance-based share awards.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

| Exhibit Number | Description |
|----------------|--|
| 10.1 | Phillippe Lord - Notice of Approved 2025 Compensation |
| 10.2 | Hilla Sferruzza - Notice of Approved 2025 Compensation |
| 10.3 | Clint Szubinski - Notice of Approved 2025 Compensation |
| 10.4 | Malissia Clinton - Notice of Approved 2025 Compensation |
| 10.5 | Javier Feliciano - Notice of Approved 2025 Compensation |
| 104 | The cover page from this Current Report on Form 8-K, formatted in Inline XBRL. |

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.

Dated: March 7, 2025

MERITAGE HOMES CORPORATION

/s/ Javier Feliciano

By: Javier Feliciano

Executive Vice President and Chief People Officer

TO: Phillippe Lord

FROM: Michael Odell, Chairman of the Compensation Committee (the "Committee")

DATE: March 7, 2025

RE: Notice of Approved 2025 Compensation ("Notice")

Reference is made to that certain employment agreement effective January 1, 2021 (the "Employment Agreement") concerning the employment and compensation of Phillippe Lord, the Company's Chief Executive Officer ("Executive"). Capitalized terms in this Notice not otherwise defined herein have the meanings prescribed to those terms in the Executive's Employment Agreement.

Base Salary

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive's Base Salary is subject to annual review and may, in the Committee's discretion, be increased without the Executive's consent. With respect to the Executive, the Committee has reviewed Executive's Base Salary and concluded that no adjustments should be made at this time. Accordingly, Executive's Base Salary for the Company's 2025 fiscal year will remain unchanged at \$1,000,000.

Moreover, and as provided in the Employment Agreement, any adjustments to the Executive's Base Salary made at the Committee's discretion shall be considered the Executive's Base Salary for purposes of the Executive's Employment Agreement. Accordingly, effective January 1, 2025, the term "Base Salary" under the Executive's Employment Agreement shall mean \$1,000,000.

Annual Bonus

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive is entitled to an annual incentive bonus (the "Bonus") based on a previously-established minimum Target Bonus or such greater amount as may be provided in a written notice to the Executive from the Committee.

Accordingly, this is to provide notice to the Executive that effective beginning with the Company's 2025 fiscal year, Executive's minimum Target Bonus is being adjusted to \$3,250,000.

Equity Awards

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive is entitled to an annual Performance Share Award ("PSA") and an annual Restricted Stock Unit Award ("RSU") each of which is based on previously-established minimum PSA target amount (the "PSA minimum") and RSU target amounts (the "RSU minimum") or such greater amount as may be provided to Executive in written notice from the Committee. The Executive's minimum combined Equity Award target amount for 2024 (i.e., minimum PSA target plus minimum RSU target) was \$5,000,000.

Accordingly, this is to provide notice to the Executive that, effective beginning with the Company's 2025 fiscal year, Executive's minimum combined Equity Award target amount is being adjusted to \$5,500,000.

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| or inconsistency between the terms of this Notice and the terms of the Employment Agreement, the terms and intended effect of this Notice shall control solely with respect to the meanings of the terms: (i) "Base Salary," (ii) minimum "Target Bonus," (iii) minimum PSA target amount, and (iv) minimum RSU target amount. |
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| COMPENSATION COMMITTEE |
| _/s/ Michael Odell |
| By: Michael Odell Chairman of the Compensation Committee |
| The undersigned Executive hereby acknowledges and agrees to the adjusted Base Salary, Target Bonus, and Equity Award grants as set forth herein for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025. |
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March 7, 2025

/s/ Phillippe Lord_

Date

Executive

Except as specifically expressed in this Notice, the Employment Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. To the extent there is any contradiction

TO: Hilla Sferruzza

FROM: Michael Odell, Chairman of the Compensation Committee (the "Committee")

DATE: March 7, 2025

RE: Notice of Approved 2025 Compensation ("Notice")

Reference is made to that certain employment agreement effective January 1, 2021 (the "Employment Agreement") concerning the employment and compensation of Hilla Sferruzza, the Company's Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer ("Executive"). Capitalized terms in this Notice not otherwise defined herein have the meanings prescribed to those terms in the Executive's Employment Agreement.

Base Salary

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive's Base Salary is subject to annual review and may, in the Committee's discretion, be increased without the Executive's consent. With respect to the Executive, the Committee has reviewed Executive's Base Salary and concluded that it is appropriate to increase Executive's Base Salary for the Company's 2025 fiscal year to \$800,000.

Moreover, and as provided in the Employment Agreement, any adjustments to the Executive's Base Salary made at the Committee's discretion shall be considered the Executive's Base Salary for purposes of the Executive's Employment Agreement. Accordingly, effective January 1, 2025, the term "Base Salary" under the Executive's Employment Agreement shall mean \$800,000.

Annual Bonus

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive is entitled to an annual incentive bonus (the "Bonus") based on a previously-established minimum Target Bonus or such greater amount as may be provided in a written notice to the Executive from the Committee.

Accordingly, this is to provide notice to the Executive that effective beginning with the Company's 2025 fiscal year, Executive's minimum Target Bonus is being adjusted to \$1,400,000.

Equity Awards

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive is entitled to an annual Performance Share Award ("PSA") and an annual Restricted Stock Unit Award ("RSU") each of which is based on previously-established minimum PSA target amount (the "PSA minimum") and RSU target amounts (the "RSU minimum") or such greater amount as may be provided to Executive in written notice from the Committee. The Executive's minimum combined Equity Award target amount for 2024 (i.e., minimum PSA target plus minimum RSU target) was \$1,743,750.

Accordingly, this is to provide notice to the Executive that, effective beginning with the Company's 2025 fiscal year, Executive's minimum combined Equity Award target amount is being adjusted to \$1,800,000.

| or inconsistency between the terms of this Notice and the terms of the Employment Agreement, the terms and intended effect of this Notice shall control solely with respect to the meanings of the terms: (i) "Base Salary," (ii) minimum "Target Bonus," (iii) minimum PSA target amount, and (iv) minimum RSU target amount. |
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| COMPENSATION COMMITTEE |
| /s/ Michael Odell |
| By: Michael Odell Chairman of the Compensation Committee |

Except as specifically expressed in this Notice, the Employment Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. To the extent there is any contradiction

The undersigned Executive hereby acknowledges and agrees to the adjusted Base Salary, Target Bonus, and Equity Award grants as set forth herein for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025.

| /s/ Hilla Sferruzza | | March 7, 2025 |
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| Executive | Date | |

TO: Clint Szubinski

FROM: Michael Odell, Chairman of the Compensation Committee (the "Committee")

DATE: March 7, 2025

RE: Notice of Approved 2025 Compensation ("Notice")

Reference is made to that certain employment agreement effective August 31, 2021 (the "Employment Agreement") concerning the employment and compensation of Clint Szubinski, the Company's Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer ("Executive"). Capitalized terms in this Notice not otherwise defined herein have the meanings prescribed to those terms in the Executive's Employment Agreement.

Base Salary

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive's Base Salary is subject to annual review and may, in the Committee's discretion, be increased without the Executive's consent. With respect to the Executive, the Committee has reviewed Executive's Base Salary and concluded that it is appropriate to increase Executive's Base Salary for the Company's 2025 fiscal year to \$800,000.

Moreover, and as provided in the Employment Agreement, any adjustments to the Executive's Base Salary made at the Committee's discretion shall be considered the Executive's Base Salary for purposes of the Executive's Employment Agreement. Accordingly, effective January 1, 2025, the term "Base Salary" under the Executive's Employment Agreement shall mean \$800,000.

Annual Bonus

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive is entitled to an annual incentive bonus (the "Bonus") based on a previously-established minimum Target Bonus or such greater amount as may be provided in a written notice to the Executive from the Committee.

Accordingly, this is to provide notice to the Executive that effective beginning with the Company's 2025 fiscal year, Executive's minimum Target Bonus is being adjusted to \$2,000,000.

Equity Awards

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive is entitled to an annual Performance Share Award ("PSA") and an annual Restricted Stock Unit Award ("RSU") each of which is based on previously-established minimum PSA target amount (the "PSA minimum") and RSU target amounts (the "RSU minimum") or such greater amount as may be provided to Executive in written notice from the Committee. The Executive's minimum combined Equity Award target amount for 2024 (i.e., minimum PSA target plus minimum RSU target) was \$2,062,500.

Accordingly, this is to provide notice to the Executive that, effective beginning with the Company's 2025 fiscal year, Executive's minimum combined Equity Award target amount is being adjusted to \$2,200,000.

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| COMPENSATION COMMITTEE |
| /s/ Michael Odell |
| By: Michael Odell Chairman of the Compensation Committee |
| The undersigned Executive hereby acknowledges and agrees to the adjusted Base Salary, Target Bonus, and Equity Award grants as set forth herein for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025. |

Except as specifically expressed in this Notice, the Employment Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. To the extent there is any contradiction or inconsistency between the terms of this Notice and the terms of the Employment Agreement, the terms and intended effect of this Notice shall control

/s/ Clinton Szubinski March 7, 2025

Executive Date

TO: Malissia Clinton

FROM: Michael Odell, Chairman of the Compensation Committee (the "Committee")

DATE: March 7, 2025

RE: Notice of Approved 2025 Compensation ("Notice")

Reference is made to that certain employment agreement effective April 13, 2022 (the "Employment Agreement") concerning the employment and compensation of Malissia Clinton, the Company's Executive Vice President, General Counsel ("Executive"). Capitalized terms in this Notice not otherwise defined herein have the meanings prescribed to those terms in the Executive's Employment Agreement.

Base Salary

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive's Base Salary is subject to annual review and may, in the Committee's discretion, be increased without the Executive's consent. With respect to the Executive, the Committee has reviewed Executive's Base Salary and concluded that it is appropriate to increase Executive's Base Salary for the Company's 2025 fiscal year to \$560,000.

Moreover, and as provided in the Employment Agreement, any adjustments to the Executive's Base Salary made at the Committee's discretion shall be considered the Executive's Base Salary for purposes of the Executive's Employment Agreement. Accordingly, effective January 1, 2025, the term "Base Salary" under the Executive's Employment Agreement shall mean \$560,000.

Annual Bonus

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive is entitled to an annual incentive bonus (the "Bonus") based on a previously-established minimum Target Bonus or such greater amount as may be provided in a written notice to the Executive from the Committee.

Accordingly, this is to provide notice to the Executive that effective beginning with the Company's 2025 fiscal year, Executive's minimum Target Bonus is being adjusted to \$560,000.

Equity Awards

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive is entitled to an annual Performance Share Award ("PSA") and an annual Restricted Stock Unit Award ("RSU") each of which is based on previously-established minimum PSA target amount (the "PSA minimum") and RSU target amounts (the "RSU minimum") or such greater amount as may be provided to Executive in written notice from the Committee. The Executive's minimum combined Equity Award target amount for 2024 (i.e., minimum PSA target plus minimum RSU target) was \$918,000.

Accordingly, this is to provide notice to the Executive that, effective beginning with the Company's 2025 fiscal year, Executive's minimum combined Equity Award target amount is being adjusted to \$952,000.

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| Except as specifically expressed in this Notice, the Employment Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. To the extent there is any contradiction or inconsistency between the terms of this Notice and the terms of the Employment Agreement, the terms and intended effect of this Notice shall control solely with respect to the meanings of the terms: (i) "Base Salary," (ii) minimum "Target Bonus," (iii) minimum PSA target amount, and (iv) minimum RSU target amount. |
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| COMPENSATION COMMITTEE |

| /s/ Michaell Odell | |
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| By: Michael Odell Chairman of the Compensation Committee | |
| The undersigned Executive hereby acknowledges and age the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025. | grees to the adjusted Base Salary, Target Bonus, and Equity Award grants as set forth herein fo |
| /s/ Malissia Clinton | March 7, 2025 |
| Executive Date | |

TO: Javier Feliciano

FROM: Michael Odell, Chairman of the Compensation Committee (the "Committee")

DATE: March 7, 2025

RE: Notice of Approved 2025 Compensation ("Notice")

Reference is made to that certain employment agreement effective January 1, 2021 (the "Employment Agreement") concerning the employment and compensation of Javier Feliciano, the Company's Executive Vice President, Chief People Officer ("Executive"). Capitalized terms in this Notice not otherwise defined herein have the meanings prescribed to those terms in the Executive's Employment Agreement.

Base Salary

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive's Base Salary is subject to annual review and may, in the Committee's discretion, be increased without the Executive's consent. With respect to the Executive, the Committee has reviewed Executive's Base Salary and concluded that it is appropriate to increase Executive's Base Salary for the Company's 2025 fiscal year to \$515,000.

Moreover, and as provided in the Employment Agreement, any adjustments to the Executive's Base Salary made at the Committee's discretion shall be considered the Executive's Base Salary for purposes of the Executive's Employment Agreement. Accordingly, effective January 1, 2025, the term "Base Salary" under the Executive's Employment Agreement shall mean \$515,000.

Annual Bonus

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive is entitled to an annual incentive bonus (the "Bonus") based on a previously-established minimum Target Bonus or such greater amount as may be provided in a written notice to the Executive from the Committee.

Accordingly, this is to provide notice to the Executive that effective beginning with the Company's 2025 fiscal year, Executive's minimum Target Bonus is being adjusted to \$386,250.

Equity Awards

As provided in the Employment Agreement, the Executive is entitled to an annual Performance Share Award ("PSA") and an annual Restricted Stock Unit Award ("RSU") each of which is based on previously-established minimum PSA target amount (the "PSA minimum") and RSU target amounts (the "RSU minimum") or such greater amount as may be provided to Executive in written notice from the Committee. The Executive's minimum combined Equity Award target amount for 2024 (i.e., minimum PSA target plus minimum RSU target) was \$825,000.

Accordingly, this is to provide notice to the Executive that, effective beginning with the Company's 2025 fiscal year, Executive's minimum combined Equity Award target amount is being adjusted to \$849,750.

| or inconsistency between the terms of this Notice and the terms of the Employment Agreement, the terms and intended effect of this Notice shall control solely with respect to the meanings of the terms: (i) "Base Salary," (ii) minimum "Target Bonus," (iii) minimum PSA target amount, and (iv) minimum RSU target amount. |
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| COMPENSATION COMMITTEE |
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| /s/ Michael Odell |
| By: Michael Odell Chairman of the Compensation Committee |
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Except as specifically expressed in this Notice, the Employment Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. To the extent there is any contradiction

The undersigned Executive hereby acknowledges and agrees to the adjusted Base Salary, Target Bonus, and Equity Award grants as set forth herein for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025.

/s/ Javier Feliciano_____ March 7, 2025

Date

Executive