FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  KOCH C JAMES                         |                          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOSTON BEER CO INC [ SAM ] |                                   |                               |   |               |           |  | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director X 10% Owner  Offices (size title Check Chec |   |   |  |  |
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| (Last) (First) (N<br>C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPAT<br>ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SU |                          | 3. Date of Earliest 12/11/2020   | Transa                            | ction (                       | Month/Day/Y   | ′ear)         |           |  | X Officer (give below)  |   | other (specify<br>elow)                                     |  |  |
| Street) BOSTON MA 02   | 4. If Amendment,         | Date of  | Origin                            | al Filed (Mor                 | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |               |           |  |   |   |   |  |  |
| (City) (State) (Z  |                          |  |                                   |                               |   |               |           |  |   |   |   |  |  |
| Table  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)   | 2. Transaction           | tive Securities  | Acqu                              | quired, Disposed of, or Benef |   |               |           |  | 5. Amount of  | 6. Ownership                                | 7. Nature of  |  |  |
| Title of Security (ilisti: 3)  | Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year)                          | Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |                               | Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5  |               |           | 5) Securities Beneficially Owned Following |   | Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)                    |  |  |
|  |                          |  | Code                              | v                             | Amount  | (A) or<br>(D) | Price     |  | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |   |   |  |  |
| Class A Common   | 12/11/2020               |  | <b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>           |                               | 168   | D             | \$935.56  | (2)  | 125,253(3)  | D   |   |  |  |
| Class A Common   | 12/11/2020               |  | <b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>           |                               | 553   | D             | \$936.93  | (4)  | 124,700(3)  | D   |   |  |  |
| Class A Common   | 12/11/2020               |  | <b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>           |                               | 447   | D             | \$937.49  | (5)  | 124,253(3)  | D   |   |  |  |
| Class A Common   | 12/11/2020               |  | <b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>           |                               | 1,885   | D             | \$938.69  | (6)  | 122,368(3)  | D   |   |  |  |
| Class A Common   | 12/11/2020               |  | <b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>           |                               | 1,808   | D             | \$940.82  | (7)  | 120,560 <sup>(3)</sup>  | D   |   |  |  |
| Class A Common   | 12/11/2020               |  | <b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>           |                               | 1,790   | D             | \$939.65  | (8)  | 118,770(3)  | D   |   |  |  |
| Class A Common   | 12/11/2020               |  | <b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>           |                               | 1,488   | D             | \$941.86  | 9)   | 117,282(3)  | D   |   |  |  |
| Class A Common   | 12/11/2020               |  | <b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>           |                               | 975   | D             | \$942.59( | 10)  | 116,307(3)  | D   |   |  |  |
| Class A Common   | 12/11/2020               |  | <b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>           |                               | 548   | D             | \$943.66  | 11)  | 115,759(3)  | D   |   |  |  |
| Class A Common   | 12/11/2020               |  | <b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>           |                               | 231   | D             | \$944.880 | 12)  | 115,528(3)  | D   |   |  |  |
| Class A Common   | 12/11/2020               |  | <b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>           |                               | 107   | D             | \$950.19( | 13)  | 115,421(3)  | D   |   |  |  |
| Class A Common   |                          |  |                                   |                               |   |               |           |  | 40,627  | I   | By<br>Foundation<br>managed by<br>Reporting<br>Person       |  |  |
| Class A Common   |                          |  |                                   |                               |   |               |           |  | 33,248  | I   | By<br>Descendant's<br>Trust                                 |  |  |
| Class A Common   |                          |  |                                   |                               |   |               |           |  | 23,488  | I   | Custodian<br>for children<br>under<br>UGTMA                 |  |  |
| Class A Common   |                          |  |                                   |                               |   |               |           |  | 5,000   | I   | By Trust as<br>Trustee                                      |  |  |
| Class A Common   |                          |  |                                   |                               |   |               |           |  | 3,656   | I   | By spouse as<br>custodian for<br>children<br>under<br>UGTMA |  |  |
| Class A Common   |                          |  |                                   |                               |   |               |           |  | 2,532   | I   | By spouse in<br>trust for<br>children                       |  |  |
|  |                          |  |                                   |                               |   |               |           |  |   |   |   |  |  |

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

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security                | 3. Transaction Tal<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Me Pe Derivat<br>Execution Date,<br>if any (e.g., pu<br>(Month/Day/Year) | tso,de                       | iction | lot -  | I Expiration Da  | ate : I      | Second<br>Under<br>Deriva | nt ot<br><b>RWEITIES</b><br>Hying<br>ative<br>ity (Instr. | l Derivative  | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported                 | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|--|---|--|--|------------------------------|--------|--|--|--------------|---------------------------|---|---|--|--|--|
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)     | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year)              | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |        | of (D)<br>ripstir:3, 4<br>And 5)<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D) (D)<br>(Insti. 3, 4 | 6. Date Exercisable  Control Date  Control Date  Exercisable | ate<br>'ear) | Deriv                     | nt of<br>ities<br>lying<br>tiye<br>itw.(Instr-            | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | Transaction(s) Insurance of the securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
| Explanatio   | n of Respons  | es:  |  |                              |        | and 5)   |  |              |                           |   |   |  |  |  |
| 1. The transactions reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on Octahnoùnt 2020.  The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 168 share 91s from \$935.01 to \$935.60. The Filing Person will provide full |   |  |  |                              |        |  |  |              |                           |   |   |  |  |  |

- 2. The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 168 shares shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 168 shares shown is the weighted average sale price for the Filing Person will provide ful information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.

  3. The shares reported include 343 shares of restricted stock subject to code wholition (A) (D) Exercisable Date Title Shares
- 4. The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 553 shares is from \$936.17 to \$937.02. The Filing Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.
- 5. The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 447 shares is from \$937.17 to \$938.10. The Filing Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.
- 6. The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 1,885 shares is from \$938.18 to \$939.17. The Filing Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.
- 7. The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 1,808 shares is from \$940.26 to \$941.20. The Filing Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.
- 8. The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 1,790 shares is from \$939.20 to \$940.17. The Filing Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.
- 9. The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 1,488 shares is from \$941.29 to \$942.25. The Filing Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.

  10. The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 975 shares is from \$942.30 to \$943.27. The Filing Person will provide full
- information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.

  11. The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 548 shares is from \$943.37 to \$944.15. The Filing Person will provide full
- information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.

  12. The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 231 shares is from \$944.47 to \$945.20. The Filing Person will provide full
- information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.

  13. The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 107 shares is from \$949.53 to \$950.24. The Filing Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.

## Remarks:

Michael G. Andrews under
POA for the benefit of Koch
C. James

Michael G. Andrews under
12/14/2020

\*\* 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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