

SONIC AUTOMOTIVE INC  
Form 8-K  
April 27, 2010

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 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): April 21, 2010

**SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**1-13395**

**56-201079**

**6415 Idlewild Road, Suite 109  
Charlotte, North Carolina**

**28212**

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(704) 566-2400**

**N/A**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.**

At the annual meeting of stockholders held April 21, 2010, Mr. O. Bruton Smith, Mr. B. Scott Smith, Mr. David B. Smith, Mr. William I. Belk, Mr. William R. Brooks, Mr. Victor H. Doolan, Mr. Robert Heller, Mr. Robert L. Rewey and Mr. David C. Vorhoff were reelected as directors by Sonic's stockholders.

	<b>Votes For</b>	<b>Votes Withheld</b>	<b>Broker Non-Votes</b>	<b>Votes Abstained</b>
Election of O. Bruton Smith	146,478,759	2,101,127	5,953,534	-
Election of B. Scott Smith	146,612,032	1,967,854	5,953,534	-
Election of David B. Smith	146,604,228	1,975,658	5,953,534	-
Election of William I. Belk	147,941,097	638,789	5,953,534	-
Election of William R. Brooks	146,605,659	1,974,227	5,953,534	-
Election of Victor H. Doolan	146,848,560	1,731,326	5,953,534	-
Election of Robert Heller	148,093,531	486,355	5,953,534	-
Election of Robert L. Rewey	146,094,195	2,485,691	5,953,534	-
Election of David C. Vorhoff	146,849,243	1,730,643	5,953,534	-

In addition to the election of the nine directors, Sonic's stockholders approved the ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as Sonic's independent accountants for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2010.

	<b>Votes For</b>	<b>Votes Against</b>	<b>Broker Non-Votes</b>	<b>Votes Abstained</b>
Ratification of appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as Sonic's independent accountants for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2010	154,325,119	203,473	--	4,828

**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.

SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC.

By: /s/ Stephen K. Coss  
Stephen K. Coss  
Senior Vice President and General  
Counsel

Dated: April 27, 2010

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