

JAMES THOMAS L.  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
JAMES THOMAS L.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O 22ND CENTURY GROUP, INC., 8560 MAIN STREET, SUITE 4

(Street)

WILLIMASVILLE, NY 14221

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
22nd Century Group, Inc. [XXII]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/28/2019

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP, General Counsel & Sec'y.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                             |
| Common Stock                    | 02/28/2019                           |  | A                              |   | 78,000<br>(4)   | A  | \$ 2.41                           |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 128,000   | D  |                                   |

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

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

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title   | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 2.76  |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(1)</u>   | 03/06/2028  | Common Stock  | 117,146                    |
| Stock Option Grant (Right to Buy)          | \$ 1.39  |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(2)</u>   | 05/24/2027  | Common Stock  | 124,000                    |
| Stock Option Grant                         | \$ 0.95  |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(3)</u>   | 03/04/2026  | Common Stock  | 136,170                    |
| Options to Purchase Common Stock           | \$ 2.61  |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/01/2017   | 05/27/2024  | Common Stock  | 300,000                    |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 0.96  |                                      |  |                                |   | 02/16/2016   | 02/16/2025  | Common Stock  | 197,568                    |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                              |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                      | Other |
| JAMES THOMAS L.<br>C/O 22ND CENTURY GROUP, INC.<br>8560 MAIN STREET, SUITE 4<br>WILLIMASVILLE, NY 14221 |               |           | VP, General Counsel & Sec'y. |       |

## Signatures

/s/ John J. Wolfel, Attorney-in-Fact for Thomas L.  
James

03/04/2019

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

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) Stock option grant which vests one-third on each of March 6, 2019, March 6, 2020 and March 6, 2021.
- (2) Stock option grant which vests one-third on each of April 1, 2018, April 1, 2019 and April 1, 2020.
- (3) Stock option grant which vests one-third on each of March 4, 2017, March 4, 2018 and March 4, 2019.
- (4) Restricted stock units vest one-third on February 28, 2020, February 28, 2021, and February 28, 2022 and are subject to continued service by the Reporting Person with the Company.

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