Biviano Michael Form 4 March 07, 2012

## FORM 4

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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 \* Biviano Michael

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CARROLS RESTAURANT

GROUP, INC. [TAST]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2012

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

Executive VP, Taco Cabana

C/O CARROLS RESTAURANT GROUP, INC., 968 JAMES

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

STREET

(City)

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

X\_ Officer (give title

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

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1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(D) Amount

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

100,257

Common

value

Stock, 03/05/2012 \$0.01 par

 $A^{(1)}$ 

15,105 A

D

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

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 13	03/05/2012		J <u>(1)</u>	9,600	<u>(2)</u>	12/14/2013	Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	9,600	
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.6	03/05/2012		J <u>(1)</u>	9,600	<u>(2)</u>	12/14/2013	Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	9,600	
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.08	03/05/2012		J <u>(1)</u>	7,500	(3)	01/15/2015	Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	7,500	
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.6	03/05/2012		<u>J(1)</u>	3,825	<u>(4)</u>	01/15/2016	Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	3,825	
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.48	03/05/2012		<u>J(1)</u>	10,000	<u>(5)</u>	01/15/2017	Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	10,000	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Biviano Michael			Executive			
C/O CARROLS RESTAURANT GROUP, INC.			VP, Taco			
968 JAMES STREET			Cabana			

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## **Signatures**

/s/ Michael A.

Biviano 03/07/2012

\*\*Signature of
Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

In connection with the spin-off of Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc. by Carrols Restaurant Group, Inc. (the "Issuer") and in accordance with the Issuer's 2006 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended (the "Plan"), on March 5, 2012, all (i) outstanding vested stock options held by the Reporting Person under the Plan were converted into unrestricted shares of the Issuer's common stock using a conversion formula to

- (1) Reporting Person under the Plan were converted into unrestricted shares of the Issuer's common stock using a conversion formula to preserve the intrinsic value of each option to the holder and (ii) outstanding unvested stock options held by the Reporting Person under the Plan were converted into restricted shares of the Issuer's common stock using a conversion formula to preserve the intrinsic value of each option to the holder.
- The Reporting Person's options were granted pursuant to the Plan and will vest and become exercisable over a period of five years, with one-fifth (1/5) of such options becoming exercisable on December 13, 2007, and an additional one-sixtieth (1/60) of such options vesting and becoming exercisable on the first day of each month after December 13, 2007.
- The Options were granted to the Reporting Person pursuant to the Plan and will vest and become exercisable over a period of five years, with one-fifth (1/5) of such Options vesting on January 15, 2009 an additional one-sixtieth (1/60) of such options vesting and becoming exercisable on the first day of each month after January 15, 2009.
- The Options were granted to the Reporting Person pursuant to the Plan and will vest and become exercisable over a period of five years, with one-fifth (1/5) of such Options vesting on January 15, 2010 an additional one-sixtieth (1/60) of such options vesting and becoming exercisable on the first day of each month after January 15, 2010.
- The Options were granted to the Reporting Person pursuant to the Issuer's 2006 Stock Incentive Plan and will vest and become (5) exercisable over a period of five years, with one fifth (1/5) of such Options vesting on January 15, 2011 an additional one-sixtieth (1/60) of such options vesting and becoming exercisable on the first day of each month after January 15, 2011.

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