

PUTNAM MUNICIPAL OPPORTUNITIES TRUST  
 Form 4  
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**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 \*  
 BAXTER JAMESON A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 PUTNAM MUNICIPAL OPPORTUNITIES TRUST [pmo]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 BAXTER ASSOCIATES INC, 1250 W NORTHWEST HIGHWAY  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/25/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

PALATINE, IL 60067

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount		
Common shares	02/25/2008 <sup>(1)</sup>		J <sup>(2)</sup>		4,066.605 <sup>(3)</sup>	A	
					\$ 12.51 <sup>(4)</sup>		
					4,282.213 <sup>(5)</sup>	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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BAXTER JAMESON A BAXTER ASSOCIATES INC 1250 W NORTHWEST HIGHWAY PALATINE, IL 60067		X		

### Signatures

Jameson A. Baxter	02/27/2008
<u>          </u> **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) Effective date of mergers of each of Putnam Investment Grade Municipal Trust and Putnam Municipal Bond Fund into issuer.  
Each of Putnam Investment Grade Municipal Trust (PGM) and Putnam Municipal Bond Fund (PMG), each of which is a closed-end investment company, merged into issuer (PMO) on February 25, 2008. Common shares of PMO were issued in exchange for all outstanding common shares of each of PGM and PMG based on the per-share net asset values of each fund's common shares calculated as of February 22, 2008.
- (2) Reflects the issuance of 184,873 common shares of PMO received in connection with the merger of PGM into PMO and the issuance of 3,881,732 common shares of PMO received in connection with the merger of PMG into PMO.
- (3) Per-share net asset value of PMO common shares as of February 22, 2008. Reflects rounding.  
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- (5) Per-share net asset value of PMO common shares as of February 22, 2008. Reflects rounding.  
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