

FIRST CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC /DE/
Form 8-K
April 25, 2012

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 23, 2012

First Citizens BancShares, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | 001-16715 (Commission File Number) | 56-1528994 (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
| 4300 Six Forks Road Raleigh, North Carolina (Address of principal executive offices) | 27609 (Zip Code) | |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (919) 716-7000

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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.

The 2012 annual meeting of shareholders of First Citizens BancShares, Inc. (“BancShares”) was held on April 23, 2012. At the meeting, the shareholders:

- voted on the election of 14 directors for terms of one year each;
- voted on a non-binding, advisory “say-on-pay” resolution to approve compensation paid or provided to BancShares’ executive officers as disclosed in the proxy statement for the annual meeting;
- voted on a proposal to ratify the appointment of Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP as BancShares’ independent public accountants for 2012; and
- voted on a shareholder proposal regarding cumulative voting in the election of directors.

The following tables describe the final results of the voting at the annual meeting.

Election of Directors

| Name of Nominee | Votes Cast "For" | Votes "Withheld" | Broker Nonvotes |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| John M. Alexander, Jr. | 30,474,790 | 395,017 | 1,960,821 |
| Carmen Holding Ames | 30,801,253 | 68,554 | 1,960,821 |
| Victor E. Bell III | 30,493,467 | 376,340 | 1,960,821 |
| Hope Holding Connell | 30,747,861 | 121,946 | 1,960,821 |
| Hubert M. Craig III | 30,477,725 | 392,082 | 1,960,821 |
| H. Lee Durham, Jr. | 30,493,244 | 376,583 | 1,960,821 |
| Daniel L. Heavner | 30,820,923 | 48,884 | 1,960,821 |
| Frank B. Holding | 30,745,700 | 124,107 | 1,960,821 |
| Frank B. Holding, Jr. | 30,752,761 | 117,046 | 1,960,821 |
| Lucius S. Jones | 30,806,188 | 63,619 | 1,960,821 |
| Robert E. Mason IV | 30,820,946 | 48,861 | 1,960,821 |
| Robert T. Newcomb | 30,644,377 | 225,430 | 1,960,821 |
| James M. Parker | 30,732,213 | 137,594 | 1,960,821 |
| Ralph K. Shelton | 30,820,953 | 48,854 | 1,960,821 |

“Say-on-Pay” Vote

| Description of Matter Voted On | Votes Cast "For" | Votes Cast "Against" | Abstained | Broker Nonvotes |
|--|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Non-binding, advisory resolution to approve compensation paid or provided to executive officers as disclosed in the annual meeting proxy statement | 30,556,524 | 160,114 | 153,188 | 1,960,802 |

Ratification of Appointment of Independent Accountants

| Description of Matter Voted On | Votes Cast "For" | Votes Cast "Against" | Abstained | Broker Nonvotes |
|--|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Ratification of the appointment of independent accountants | 32,795,787 | 28,154 | 6,687 | 0 |

Shareholder Proposal on Cumulative Voting in Election of Directors

| Description of Matter Voted On | Votes Cast "For" | Votes Cast "Against" | Abstained | Broker Nonvotes |
|---|------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Shareholder proposal regarding cumulative voting in the election of directors | 3,105,921 | 27,278,768 | 485,136 | 1,960,803 |

Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

First Citizens BancShares, Inc.
(Registrant)

Date: April 25, 2012
Kenneth A. Black
Chief Financial Officer

By: /s/ KENNETH A. BLACK