GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP Form 8-K May 10, 2011

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) May 10, 2011 (May 4, 2011)

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction

1-3671 (Commission

13-1673581 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

2941 Fairview Park Drive, Suite 100, Falls Church, Virginia (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (703) 876-3000

22042-4513 (Zip Code)

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, If Changed Since Last Report.)

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Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of the company, for which proxies were solicited pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, was held on May 4, 2011.

In an uncontested election, each of the following nominees was elected to the Board of Directors according to the following votes:

	For	Against	Abstain	Broker Non- Votes
Mary T. Barra	312,902,792	820,533	1,038,898	25,141,522
Nicholas D. Chabraja	311,512,220	2,284,590	965,413	25,141,522
James S. Crown	291,528,491	22,138,029	1,095,703	25,141,522
William P. Fricks	306,769,394	6,972,581	1,020,248	25,141,522
Jay L. Johnson	311,179,445	2,592,760	990,018	25,141,522
George A. Joulwan	304,807,740	8,932,815	1,021,668	25,141,522
Paul G. Kaminski	304,891,116	8,865,227	1,005,881	25,141,522
John M. Keane	313,206,755	538,843	1,016,625	25,141,522
Lester L. Lyles	311,270,696	2,453,422	1,038,105	25,141,522
William A. Osborn	313,042,701	688,938	1,030,584	25,141,522
Robert Walmsley	313,164,052	582,671	1,015,500	25,141,522

The results of voting on Proposals 2 through 6 (as numbered in the company s 2011 Proxy Statement) were as follows:

Proposal 2. Shareholders approved the selection of KPMG LLP as the company s independent auditors for 2011.

				Broker Non-
	For	Against	Abstain	Votes
Approval of KPMG as Independent Auditors	335,856,670	3,060,941	986,134	

Proposal 3. Shareholders approved, on an advisory basis, the compensation paid to the company s named executive officers, as disclosed pursuant to Item 402 of Regulation S-K and contained in the 2011 Proxy Statement, including the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, compensation tables and narrative discussion.

Broker NonFor Against Abstain Votes

Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation 269,993,922 40,627,624 4,140,677 25,141,522

Proposal 4. Shareholders recommended, on an advisory basis, that Future Advisory Compensation Votes (as defined in the 2011 Proxy Statement) be held every year.

	Every Year	Every Two Years	Every Three Years	Abstain	Broker Non-votes
Advisory Vote on Frequency of Future Advisory Compensation Votes	180,256,473	1,315,664	132,705,042	485,045	25,141,522

The Board of Directors intends, consistent with the above vote, to hold Future Advisory Compensation Votes every year.

Proposal 5. Shareholders rejected a shareholder proposal requesting management review policies related to human rights and to report its findings by December 2011.

				Broker Non-
	For	Against	Abstain	Votes
Shareholder Proposal with regard to Human Rights Policy	55,268,952	216,465,262	43,028,009	25,141,522

Proposal 6. Shareholders rejected a shareholder proposal requesting that the board take the steps necessary to amend the company s bylaws and each appropriate governing document to give holders of 10% of the company s outstanding common stock the power to call a special shareholder meeting.

				Broker Non-
	For	Against	Abstain	Votes
Shareholder Proposal with regard to Special Shareholder				
Meetings	121,536,311	191,987,702	1,238,210	25,141,522

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.

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION

by /s/ Jason W. Aiken Jason W. Aiken

Vice President and Controller

(Authorized Officer and Chief Accounting Officer)

Dated: May 10, 2011