

HOSPITALITY PROPERTIES TRUST
Form 8-K
October 19, 2017

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, DC 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): **October 17, 2017**

HOSPITALITY PROPERTIES TRUST

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Maryland

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-11527

(Commission File Number)

04-3262075

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**Two Newton Place
255 Washington Street, Suite 300,
Newton, Massachusetts**
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

02458-1634

(Zip Code)

617-964-8389

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On October 17, 2017, Hospitality Properties Trust, or the Company, agreed to sell \$400,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 3.950% Senior Notes due 2028, or the Notes, in an underwritten public offering. The Notes are expected to be issued on or about October 26, 2017. The Notes will be issued under the Company's Indenture dated as of February 3, 2016, or the Base Indenture, and a supplemental indenture thereto, between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee. The Notes will be senior unsecured obligations of the Company. The Notes will have certain restrictive financial and operating covenants, including covenants that restrict the Company's ability to incur debts, including debts secured by mortgages on the Company's properties, in excess of calculated amounts, and require the Company to maintain various financial ratios.

The Notes were sold to the public at 97.911% of their principal amount. The Company intends to use the estimated \$388.2 million of net proceeds after payment of the underwriting discount and other estimated offering expenses to repay amounts outstanding under its unsecured revolving credit facility and for general business purposes. Pending such application, the Company may invest the net proceeds in short term investments, some or all of which may not be investment grade rated.

A prospectus supplement relating to the Notes will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC. This Current Report on Form 8-K shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state or jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state or jurisdiction.

The brief description of the covenants applicable to the Notes is qualified in its entirety by reference to such covenants as they appear in the supplemental indenture for the Notes, the form of which is filed as Exhibit 4.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, and in the Base Indenture, which is filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on February 4, 2016, each of which is incorporated herein by reference.

WARNING CONCERNING FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

THIS CURRENT REPORT ON FORM 8-K CONTAINS STATEMENTS THAT CONSTITUTE FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE PRIVATE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT OF 1995 AND OTHER SECURITIES LAWS. ALSO, WHENEVER THE COMPANY USES WORDS SUCH AS BELIEVE , EXPECT , ANTICIPATE , INTEND , PLAN , ESTIMATE , WILL , MAY AND NEGATIVES OR DERIVATIVES OF THESE OR SIMILAR EXPRESSIONS, THE COMPANY IS MAKING FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS. THESE FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS ARE BASED UPON THE COMPANY'S PRESENT INTENT, BELIEFS OR EXPECTATIONS, BUT FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS ARE NOT GUARANTEED TO OCCUR AND MAY NOT OCCUR. ACTUAL RESULTS MAY DIFFER MATERIALLY FROM THOSE CONTAINED IN OR IMPLIED BY THE COMPANY'S FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS AS A RESULT OF VARIOUS FACTORS. FOR EXAMPLE:

- **THE COMPANY EXPECTS TO ISSUE AND DELIVER THE NOTES ON OR ABOUT OCTOBER 26, 2017. IN FACT, THE ISSUANCE AND DELIVERY OF THE NOTES IS SUBJECT TO VARIOUS CONDITIONS AND CONTINGENCIES AS ARE CUSTOMARY IN UNDERWRITING AGREEMENTS IN THE UNITED STATES. IF THESE CONDITIONS ARE NOT SATISFIED OR THE SPECIFIED**

CONTINGENCIES DO NOT OCCUR, THIS OFFERING MAY BE DELAYED OR MAY NOT BE COMPLETED.

- **THE COMPANY S CURRENT INTENT IS TO USE THE PROCEEDS FROM THIS OFFERING TO REPAY AMOUNTS OUTSTANDING UNDER ITS REVOLVING CREDIT FACILITY AND FOR GENERAL BUSINESS PURPOSES; THE RECEIPT AND USE OF THESE PROCEEDS IS DEPENDENT ON THE CLOSING OF THIS OFFERING AND MAY NOT OCCUR.**

YOU SHOULD NOT PLACE UNDUE RELIANCE UPON THE COMPANY'S FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS.

EXCEPT AS REQUIRED BY LAW, THE COMPANY DOES NOT INTEND TO UPDATE OR CHANGE ANY FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS AS A RESULT OF NEW INFORMATION, FUTURE EVENTS OR OTHERWISE.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

- 1.1 Underwriting Agreement, dated as of October 17, 2017, between the Company and the underwriters named therein, pertaining to \$400,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of the Company's 3.950% Senior Notes due 2028. (Filed herewith.)
- 4.1 Form of Fourth Supplemental Indenture between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, including the form of 3.950% Senior Note due 2028. (Filed herewith.)
- 5.1 Opinion of Sullivan & Worcester LLP. (Filed herewith.)
- 5.2 Opinion of Venable LLP. (Filed herewith.)
- 8.1 Opinion of Sullivan & Worcester LLP re: tax matters. (Filed herewith.)
- 23.1 Consent of Sullivan & Worcester LLP (contained in Exhibits 5.1 and 8.1).
- 23.2 Consent of Venable LLP (contained in Exhibit 5.2).

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.

HOSPITALITY PROPERTIES TRUST

By:	/s/ Mark L. Kleifges
Name:	Mark L. Kleifges
Title:	Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

Date: October 19, 2017