

HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC

Form 8-K

May 11, 2016

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): May 11, 2016

HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland                                      001-13100    56-1871668  
(State or other jurisdiction              (Commission (I.R.S. Employer  
of incorporation or organization) File Number) Identification Number)

HIGHWOODS REALTY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

North Carolina                                000-21731    56-1869557  
(State or other jurisdiction              (Commission (I.R.S. Employer  
of incorporation or organization) File Number) Identification Number)

3100 Smoketree Court, Suite 600

Raleigh, North Carolina 27604

(Address of principal executive offices, zip code)

Registrants' telephone number, including area code: (919) 872-4924

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

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. 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))
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Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

On May 11, 2016, the Company held its annual meeting of stockholders. The final vote of the matters presented for a vote at such meeting was as follows:

Matter	For	Against	Abstain/ Withheld	Broker Non-Votes
(1) Election of Directors:				3,410,483
Charles A. Anderson	85,922,761		469,911	
Gene H. Anderson	85,330,519		1,062,153	
Carlos E. Evans	85,497,633		895,039	
Edward J. Fritsch	85,734,261		658,411	
David J. Hartzell	85,921,433		471,239	
Sherry A. Kellett	85,925,913		466,759	
O. Temple Sloan, Jr.	84,943,539		1,449,133	
(2) Ratification of appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as independent auditor for 2016	89,562,640	216,835	23,680	
(3) Advisory vote on executive compensation	81,686,726	4,546,662	159,284	3,410,483

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each of the registrants has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC.

By: /s/ Jeffrey D. Miller  
 Jeffrey D. Miller  
 Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

HIGHWOODS REALTY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: Highwoods Properties, Inc., its general partner  
 By: /s/ Jeffrey D. Miller  
 Jeffrey D. Miller  
 Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Dated: May 11, 2016