

WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST  
Form 8-K  
February 14, 2017

**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) February 8, 2017**

**WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE**  
**INVESTMENT TRUST**  
**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**MARYLAND**  
**(State of**  
**incorporation)**

**1-6622**  
**(Commission**  
**File Number)**

**53-0261100**  
**(IRS Employer**  
**Identification Number)**

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**1775 EYE STREET, NW, SUITE 1000, WASHINGTON, DC 20006**

**(Address of principal executive office) (Zip code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (202) 774-3200**

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

**Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Changes in Fiscal Year.**

On February 8, 2017, the Board of Trustees (the Board ) of Washington Real Estate Investment Trust (the Trust ) approved and adopted an amendment (the Amendment ) to the Trust s Amended and Restated Bylaws (the Bylaws ) to provide shareholders, in addition to the Board, with the ability to amend the Bylaws. The Amendment was approved by the Board, subject to receipt of the requisite shareholder approval of a related amendment to the Trust s Declaration of Trust that will provide shareholders with the ability to vote on amendments of the Bylaws, as provided in the Bylaws. Shareholders will vote on this related amendment to the Trust s Declaration of Trust at the Trust s upcoming annual meeting of shareholders. The Amendment will become effective automatically upon receipt of the requisite shareholder approval of the above-referenced amendment to the Declaration of Trust.

A copy of the Amended and Restated Bylaws, as amended, is attached to this report as Exhibit 3.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. The foregoing description of the Amendment does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Amended and Restated Bylaws, as amended.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) The following exhibits are filed as part of this report:

**Exhibit  
Number**

**Exhibit Description**

3.1	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Washington Real Estate Investment Trust, as amended
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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.

WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE

INVESTMENT TRUST

DATE: February 14, 2017

By: /s/ W. Drew Hammond

Name: W. Drew Hammond

Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and

Title: Controller

EXHIBIT LIST

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