

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST INC  
Form 8-K  
August 13, 2013

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): August 12, 2013

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Maryland<br>(State or other jurisdiction of<br>incorporation or organization) | 001-31775<br>(Commission<br>File Number) | 86-1062192<br>(IRS employer<br>identification number) |
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| 14185 Dallas Parkway, Suite 1100<br>Dallas, Texas<br>(Address of principal executive offices) | 75254<br>(Zip code) |
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code (972) 490-9600

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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 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On August 12, 2013, Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc. (the “Company”) announced that the Company entered into a franchise agreement to convert the 258-room, Crowne Plaza Beverly Hills to a Marriott after the expiration of the existing Crowne Plaza license agreement in March of 2015. Additionally, the Company also announced that on May 31, 2013 it completed the transfer of management from Marriott to Remington Lodging & Hospitality at seven select-service hotels and one full-service hotel.

The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Exhibit  
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99.1 Press Release of the Company, dated August 12, 2013, furnished under Item 7.01, announcing the entering into nine new franchise agreements including the new Marriott Beverly Hills.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: August 13, 2013

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ DAVID A. BROOKS

David A. Brooks

Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel