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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 12, 2011

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 | File Number) | Identification Number) |
| organization) | | |

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 | File Number) | Identification Number) |
| organization) | | |

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

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Item Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders. 5.07.

On May 12, 2011, the Company held its annual meeting of stockholders. The final vote of the matters presented for a vote at such meeting was as follows:

| | | | | Abstain/ | Broker |
|-----|--|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| | Matter | For | Against | Withheld | Non-Votes |
| (1) | Election of Directors: | | | | 2,916,327 |
| | Thomas W. Adler | 63,224,224 | | 1,155,456 | |
| | Gene H. Anderson | 63,224,991 | | 1,154,689 | |
| | Edward J. Fritsch | 63,225,121 | | 1,154,559 | |
| | David J. Hartzell | 64,291,631 | | 88,049 | |
| | Sherry A. Kellett | 64,285,433 | | 94,247 | |
| | L. Glenn Orr, Jr. | 62,729,092 | | 1,650,588 | |
| | O. Temple Sloan, Jr. | 54,249,613 | | 10,130,067 | |
| (2) | Ratify appointment of Deloitte & Touche | | | | |
| | LLP as our independent registered public | | | | |
| | accounting firm for 2011 | 67,227,015 | 49,362 | 19,630 | |
| (3) | Advisory vote on executive compensation | 62,046,132 | 2,295,250 | 38,298 | 2,916,327 |
| | | | | | |
| | Matter | 1 Year | 2 Years | 3 Years | Abstain |
| (4) | Advisory vote on frequency of say-on-pay | | | | |
| | votes | 57,502,309 | 38,623 | 6,804,589 | 34,159 |

Lawrence S. Kaplan, 68, retired as a member of the Company's Board of Directors upon expiration of his term at the 2011 annual meeting. Mr. Kaplan had been a director since November 2000.

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
Vice President, General Counsel and

Secretary

HIGHWOODS REALTY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: Highwoods Properties, Inc., its general partner

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By:

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

Dated: May 13, 2011