ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST INC Form 8-K

December 10, 2004

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): December 9, 2004

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MARYLAND (State of Incorporation) Identification 001-31775 (Commission File Number) 86-1062192 (I.R.S. Employer Number)

14185 Dallas Parkway, Suite 1100
Dallas, Texas
(Address of principal executive offices)

75254 (Zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (972) 490-9600

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ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On December 9, 2004, Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that it closed on the sale of a \$10.0 million first-mortgage note receivable secured by The Hotel Teatro in Denver, Colorado, to CW Capital at par. The loan is interest only at a rate of LIBOR plus 2.8% and matures October 2006.

As expected, the Company retained a \$5.0 million mezzanine note receivable on the property at an interest rate of LIBOR plus 11.35%. The loan matures in October 2006 and is interest only.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMTENTS AND EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number

99.47 Press Release of the Company dated December 9, 2004, furnished under Item 7.01, announcing the sale of a first-mortgage note receivable.

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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: December 10, 2004

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ DAVID A. BROOKS David A. Brooks Chief Legal Officer