

EAST WEST BANCORP INC
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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**

May 6, 2014

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported)

EAST WEST BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number 000-24939

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or
Organization)

95-4703316
(IRS Employer Identification Number)

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135 N Los Robles Ave., 7th Floor, Pasadena, California 91101

(Address of principal executive offices including zip code)

(626) 768-6000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

(e) On May 6, 2014, East West Bancorp, Inc. (the Company) held its 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Annual Meeting).

The following are the voting results of each matter submitted to the Company's stockholders at the Annual Meeting. The proposals below are described in detail in the Proxy Statement. At the Annual Meeting, the ten nominees for director were elected to the Company's Board of Directors and the Company's stockholders approved the proposal to ratify the appointment of KPMG, LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for 2014. The advisory vote regarding the Company's executive compensation as set forth in the Proxy Statement was approved.

1. Election of the following ten nominees to the Company's Board of Directors:

| | <u>Votes Cast</u> <u>For</u> | <u>Withheld</u> | <u>Votes</u> <u>Abstained</u> | <u>Broker Non-</u> <u>Votes</u> |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Iris S. Chan | 117,210,301 | 626,678 | N/A | 14,065,648 |
| Rudolph I. Estrada | 116,874,449 | 962,530 | N/A | 14,065,648 |
| Julia S. Gouw | 117,357,207 | 479,772 | N/A | 14,065,648 |
| Paul H. Irving | 116,114,025 | 1,722,954 | N/A | 14,065,648 |
| Tak-Chuen Clarence Kwan | 117,021,585 | 815,394 | N/A | 14,065,648 |
| John Lee | 116,404,828 | 1,432,151 | N/A | 14,065,648 |
| Herman Y. Li | 115,972,168 | 1,864,811 | N/A | 14,065,648 |
| Jack C. Liu | 117,342,754 | 494,225 | N/A | 14,065,648 |
| Dominic Ng | 115,391,240 | 2,445,739 | N/A | 14,065,648 |
| Keith W. Renken | 117,056,036 | 780,943 | N/A | 14,065,648 |

2. Ratification of the appointment of KPMG, LLP, as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for its fiscal year ending December 31, 2014.

| <u>Votes Cast For</u> | <u>Votes Against</u> | <u>Votes Abstained</u> | <u>Broker Non-</u> <u>Votes</u> |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 131,731,921 | 69,543 | 101,163 | 0 |

3. In a non-binding advisory vote regarding compensation as disclosed in the 2014 Proxy Statement, the votes are as follows:

| <u>Votes Cast For</u> | <u>Votes Against</u> | <u>Votes Abstained</u> | <u>Broker Non-Votes</u> |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 115,029,342 | 1,573,245 | 1,234,392 | 14,065,648 |

SIGNATURE

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

EAST WEST BANCORP, INC.

Date: May 8, 2014

By: /s/ Douglas P. Krause

Douglas P. Krause, Esq.,

Executive Vice President and General

Counsel