

STARWOOD PROPERTY TRUST, INC.

Form 8-K

April 28, 2016

**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): **April 27, 2016**

**Starwood Property Trust, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Maryland**

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-34436**

(Commission  
File Number)

**27-0247747**

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**591 West Putnam Avenue**

**Greenwich, CT**

(Address of principal  
executive offices)

**06830**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number,  
including area code:

**(203) 422-7700**

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.07.****Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.**

On April 27, 2016, Starwood Property Trust, Inc. (the Company) held its 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the Annual Meeting). At the Annual Meeting, the Company's stockholders: (i) elected the six persons listed below as directors of the Company, each to serve until the Company's 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified; (ii) approved, on an advisory basis, the Company's executive compensation as disclosed in the Company's proxy statement for the Annual Meeting; and (iii) ratified the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the calendar year ending December 31, 2016. Set forth below are the voting results for each of the proposals voted upon by the Company's stockholders:

*Proposal 1 Election of Directors*

| <b>Nominee</b>      | <b>For</b>  | <b>Withheld</b> | <b>Broker Non-Votes</b> |
|---------------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Richard D. Bronson  | 166,716,203 | 5,683,907       | 44,530,579              |
| Jeffrey G. Dishner  | 166,827,760 | 5,572,350       | 44,530,579              |
| Camille J. Douglas  | 167,357,017 | 5,043,093       | 44,530,579              |
| Solomon J. Kumin    | 170,613,758 | 1,786,352       | 44,530,579              |
| Barry S. Sternlicht | 162,460,721 | 9,939,389       | 44,530,579              |
| Strauss Zelnick     | 166,420,545 | 5,979,565       | 44,530,579              |

*Proposal 2 Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation*

| <b>For</b>  | <b>Against</b> | <b>Abstentions</b> | <b>Broker Non-Votes</b> |
|-------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 133,768,011 | 37,827,021     | 805,078            | 44,530,579              |

*Proposal 3 Ratification of Appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company's Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2016*

| <b>For</b>  | <b>Against</b> | <b>Abstentions</b> | <b>Broker Non-Votes</b> |
|-------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 215,360,410 | 1,302,573      | 267,706            | 0                       |

**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.

Dated: April 28, 2016

STARWOOD PROPERTY TRUST, INC.

By: */s/ Andrew J. Sossen*  
Name: Andrew J. Sossen  
Title: Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel