LaSalle Hotel Properties Form 8-K May 19, 2016

UNITED STATES 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 18, 2016

LASALLE HOTEL PROPERTIES

(Exact name of registrant specified in charter)

Maryland 1-14045 36-4219376 (State of Incorporation) (Commission (IRS Employer File Number) Identification No.)

7550 Wisconsin Avenue 10th Floor Bethesda, Maryland 20814 (Address of principal executive offices, zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (301) 941-1500

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On May 18, 2016, LaSalle Hotel Properties (the "Company") and its operating partnership, LaSalle Hotel Operating Partnership, L.P., entered into an underwriting agreement (the "Underwriting Agreement") with Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as representatives of the several underwriters named therein, relating to the issuance and sale of 6,000,000 6.3% Series J Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Shares of the Company, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Series J Preferred Shares"), at a public offering price of \$25.00 per share. The offering is expected to close on May 25, 2016.

The Series J Preferred Shares to be issued and sold pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement have been registered on the Company's registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-208015), which became effective upon filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 13, 2015.

The foregoing description of the Underwriting Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Underwriting Agreement, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 1.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(a) Exhibits

Exhibit Number Description

Underwriting Agreement, dated as of May 18, 2016, among LaSalle Hotel Properties, LaSalle Hotel

Operating Partnership, L.P. and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as representatives of the several underwriters named therein

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SIGNATURES

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 thereunto duly authorized.

LASALLE HOTEL PROPERTIES

By:/s/ Kenneth G. Fuller
Kenneth G. Fuller
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer

Dated: May 19, 2016

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