HOSPITALITY PROPERTIES TRUST

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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K/A

Amendment No. 1

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017

or

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission file number 1-11527

HOSPITALITY PROPERTIES TRUST

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter) Maryland 04-3262075

(State of Organization) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

Two Newton Place,

255 Washington Street, Suite 300, 02458-1634 Newton, Massachusetts (Zip Code)

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code 617-964-8389

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title Of Each Class Name Of Each Exchange On Which Registered

Common Shares of Beneficial Interest The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

Yes No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

The aggregate market value of the voting common shares of beneficial interest, \$.01 par value, or common shares, of the registrant held by non-affiliates was approximately \$4.7 billion based on the \$29.15 closing price per common share on The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC on June 30, 2017. For purposes of this calculation, an aggregate of 2,652,305 common shares held directly by, or by affiliates of, the trustees and the executive officers of the registrant have been included in the number of common shares held by affiliates.

Number of the registrant's common shares outstanding as of February 28, 2018: 164,345,747.

References in this Amendment No. 1 to Annual Report on Form 10-K to "HPT," "we" or "our" include Hospitality Properties Trust.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Certain information required by Items 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K is incorporated by reference to our definitive Proxy Statement for the 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

We are filing this Amendment No. 1, or the Amendment, to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, on March 1, 2018, or the Annual Report, solely for the purpose of correcting a transcription error in the date in the consent of Ernst & Young LLP filed as Exhibit 23.1 to the Annual Report. Ernst & Young LLP's consent in the Annual Report erroneously references the prior year audit report. The correct date was included in the manually executed consent received from Ernst & Young LLP, and the correct consent is being filed as Exhibit 23.1 with the Amendment. In addition, as required by Rule 12b-15 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, currently dated certifications by HPT's principal executive officer and principal financial officer required in accordance with Rule 13a-14(a) are being filed as exhibits to this Amendment and the exhibit list included in Item 15 of Part IV of the Annual Report has been amended accordingly; however, paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of the certifications have been omitted because this Amendment does not contain any financial statements nor does it contain or amend any disclosure with respect to Items 307 and 308 of Regulation S-K.

Except as described above, no other changes have been made to the Annual Report. This Amendment does not reflect events occurring after the date of the Annual Report nor does it modify or update the disclosures contained in the Annual Report that may be affected by subsequent events. Accordingly, this Amendment should be read in conjunction with the Annual Report and our other filings made with the SEC subsequent to the filing of the Annual Report.

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PART IV Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules (b) Exhibits Exhibit Number Description Consent of Ernst & Young LLP. (Filed herewith.) Rule 13a-14(a) Certification. (Filed herewith.) Rule 13a-14(a) Certification. (Filed herewith.)

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

Hospitality Properties Trust

By:/s/ Mark L. Kleifges

Mark L. Kleifges

Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

Dated: July 16, 2018