

BOSTON PROPERTIES INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 RITCHEY RAYMOND A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BOSTON PROPERTIES, INC., 2200 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW

(Street)

WASHINGTON, DC 20037

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BOSTON PROPERTIES INC [BXP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

02/14/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Senior EVP

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Security (Instr. 3)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
LTIP Units <u>(1)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	02/14/2017	A	5,385	<u>(2)(3)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock, par value \$0.01	5,385			\$ 0.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RITCHEY RAYMOND A C/O BOSTON PROPERTIES, INC. 2200 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW WASHINGTON, DC 20037			Senior EVP	

Signatures

/s/ Kelli A. DiLuglio, as
 Attorney-in-Fact 02/16/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) Represents units of limited partnership interest in Boston Properties Limited Partnership ("BPLP"), of which the Issuer is the general partner, earned (i.e., for which the performance-based hurdles have been met) pursuant to the Issuer's 2014 Multi-Year Long-Term Incentive Program (the "Program").

Conditioned upon minimum allocations to the capital accounts of the LTIP Units for federal income tax purposes, each LTIP Unit may be converted, at the election of the holder, into a common unit of limited partnership interest in BPLP ("Common OP Unit"). Each Common

(2) OP Unit acquired upon conversion of an LTIP Unit may be presented for redemption, at the election of the holder, for cash equal to the then fair market value of a share of the Issuer's Common Stock, except that the Issuer may, at its election, acquire each Common OP Unit so presented for one share of Common Stock. LTIP Units have no expiration date.

(3) The 5,385 LTIP Units earned pursuant to the Program vested 50% upon being earned and 50% will vest on February 3, 2018.

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