

PS BUSINESS PARKS INC/CA  
Form 8-K  
October 12, 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): October 11, 2016**

**PS BUSINESS PARKS, INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**California**  
**(State or Other Jurisdiction**  
  
**of Incorporation)**

**1-10709**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File Number)**

**95-4300881**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
  
**Identification Number)**

**701 Western Avenue,**

**Glendale, California**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**91201-2349**  
**(Zip Code)**

**(818) 244-8080**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

**N/A**

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2 below):

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

### **Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement**

On October 11, 2016, PS Business Parks, Inc., a California corporation (the *Company*), entered into an Underwriting Agreement (the *Underwriting Agreement*) by and among Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as representatives of the other underwriters named therein, the Company and PS Business Parks, L.P., a California limited partnership (the *Operating Partnership*), relating to a public offering by the Company of 6,600,000 of its depositary shares (the *Depository Shares*), each representing 1/1,000 of a share of the 5.20% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series W of the Company (the *Preferred Stock*). Pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement, the Company granted the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to 990,000 additional Depository Shares to cover over-allotments. The Underwriting Agreement is filed as Exhibit 1.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

The underwriters have performed investment banking and advisory services for the Company from time to time for which they have received customary fees and expenses. The underwriters may, from time to time, engage in transactions with and perform services for the Company in the ordinary course of their business.

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, an affiliate of Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, is the lender under the Company's credit facility and will receive the portion of the net proceeds of the offering used to repay amounts outstanding under the Company's credit facility. As of June 30, 2016, the Company had approximately \$54.0 million outstanding under the credit facility at an interest rate of 1.33%. Subsequent to June 30, 2016, the outstanding balance on the Company's credit facility was reduced to approximately \$44.0 million. The credit facility has an interest rate of LIBOR plus 0.875% and expires on May 1, 2019.

At closing of the offering, an amendment to the agreement of limited partnership of the Operating Partnership will be executed to create a series of partnership units of the operating partnership with terms and preferences generally mirroring those of the Preferred Stock. The Company will contribute the proceeds from the sale of the Depository Shares to the Operating Partnership in exchange for such preferred units. A copy of the amendment will be filed as an exhibit to the Company's quarterly report on Form 10-K for the year ending December 31, 2016.

### **Item 3.03 Material Modification to Rights of Securityholders**

Upon issuance of the Preferred Stock referenced in Item 5.03 below, the ability of the Company to make distributions with respect to, or redeem, purchase or acquire, or make a liquidation payment on, any other stock of the Company ranking junior to or on a parity with the Preferred Stock, will be subject to certain restrictions in the event that the Company does not declare dividends on the Preferred Stock during any dividend period.

The terms of the Preferred Stock are set forth in the Certificate of Determination filed as Exhibit 3.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The terms of the Depository Shares are set forth in the Deposit Agreement dated as of October 11, 2016 among the Company, American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as depositary, and the holders of the depositary receipts issued thereunder (the *Deposit Agreement*). The Deposit Agreement is filed as Exhibit 4.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

### **Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year**

(a) Under the Company's Restated Articles of Incorporation, as amended, the Board of Directors is authorized without further shareholder action to provide for the issuance of up to 50,000,000 shares of preferred stock. On October 12, 2016, the Company filed with the Secretary of State of the State of California, a Certificate of Determination designating 7,590 shares of the Company's preferred stock as 5.20% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series W. A copy of the Certificate of Determination is filed as Exhibit 3.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(c) Exhibits

| Exhibit No. | Description  |
|-------------|--|
| 1.1         | Underwriting Agreement relating to the Company's depositary shares representing shares of the Company's 5.20% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series W, Liquidation Preference Equivalent to \$25.00 per depositary share. |
| 3.1         | Certificate of Determination for the 5.20% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series W.   |
| 4.1         | Deposit Agreement Relating to the Depositary Shares (including form of Depositary Receipt)   |
| 5.1         | Opinion of Hogan Lovells US LLP as to the validity of the Preferred Stock and Depositary Shares.   |
| 23.1        | Consent of Hogan Lovells US LLP (contained in Exhibit 5.1).  |

**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 hereunto duly authorized.

PS BUSINESS PARKS, INC.

Date: October 12, 2016

By: /s/ Edward A. Stokx  
Edward A. Stokx

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial  
Officer and Secretary

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