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Form 8-K January 25, 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): January 25, 2016

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 001-31775 86-1062192 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) File Number) (IRS employer identification number)

14185 Dallas Parkway, Suite 1100

Dallas, Texas 75254
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (972) 490-9600

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TEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On January 25, 2016, Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc. ("Ashford Trust" or the "Company") issued a press release announcing that it has successfully refinanced three mortgage loans with existing balances of approximately \$268 million. The new loan totals \$375 million and resulted in excess proceeds of approximately \$81 million after closing costs and reserves. The next hard debt maturity for the Company is in April 2017. The Company also announced that it is no longer marketing the 24-hotel select-service hotel portfolio as a single portfolio, but will instead pursue the sale of these assets in smaller groups and individually. Further, the Company will pursue the opportunistic sales of its other 38 select-service hotels over time.

A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number

Description

99.1 Press release, dated January 25, 2016

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 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: January 25, 2016

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ DAVID A. BROOKS

David A. Brooks

Chief Operating Officer and General

Counsel