

EAST WEST BANCORP INC
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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):

May 5, 2015

EAST WEST BANCORP, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 000-24939 95-4703316
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification Number)

135 N Los Robles Ave., 7th Floor
Pasadena, California 91101
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(626) 768-6000
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

On May 5, 2015, East West Bancorp, Inc. (the “Company”) held its 2015 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the “Annual Meeting”).

The following are the voting results of each matter submitted to the Company’s stockholders at the Annual Meeting. The proposals below are described in detail in the Proxy Statement. At the Annual Meeting, the ten nominees for director were elected to the Company’s Board of Directors and the Company’s stockholders approved the proposal to ratify the appointment of KPMG, LLP as the Company’s independent registered public accounting firm for 2015. The advisory vote regarding the Company’s executive compensation as set forth in the Proxy Statement was approved.

1. Election of the following ten nominees to the Company’s Board of Directors:

| | Votes Cast For | Withheld | Votes Abstained | Broker Non- Votes |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Molly Campbell | 120,685,214 | 745,399 | N/A | 13,791,011 |
| Iris S. Chan | 120,665,678 | 764,935 | N/A | 13,791,011 |
| Rudolph I. Estrada | 120,089,858 | 1,340,755 | N/A | 13,791,011 |
| Julia S. Gouw | 121,135,486 | 295,127 | N/A | 13,791,011 |
| Paul H. Irving | 120,120,420 | 1,310,193 | N/A | 13,791,011 |
| John M. Lee | 120,602,588 | 828,025 | N/A | 13,791,011 |
| Herman Y. Li | 120,365,410 | 1,065,203 | N/A | 13,791,011 |
| Jack C. Liu | 120,367,853 | 1,062,760 | N/A | 13,791,011 |
| Dominic Ng | 119,511,302 | 1,919,311 | N/A | 13,791,011 |
| Keith W. Renken | 120,362,300 | 1,068,313 | N/A | 13,791,011 |

2. Ratification of the appointment of KPMG, LLP, as the Company’s independent registered public accounting firm for its fiscal year ending December 31, 2015.

| Votes Cast For | Votes Against | Votes Abstained | Broker Non- Votes |
|----------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 135,102,973 | 75,721 | 42,930 | — |

3. In a non-binding advisory vote regarding compensation as disclosed in the 2015 Proxy Statement, the votes are as follows:

| Votes Cast For | Votes Against | Votes Abstained | Broker Non-Votes |
|----------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 119,341,000 | 1,905,965 | 183,648 | 13,791,011 |

SIGNATURE

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.

EAST WEST BANCORP, INC.

Date: May 7, 2015

By: /s/ Douglas P. Krause
Douglas P. Krause, Esq.,
Executive Vice President and General
Counsel