BOSTON PROPERTIES INC Form 8-K October 24, 2008

# 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 21, 2008

## **BOSTON PROPERTIES, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction 1-13087 (Commission File Number) 04-2473675 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

Identification No.)

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(617) 236-3300

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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

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

On October 21, 2008, the Board of Directors (the Board ) of Boston Properties, Inc. (the Company ) approved the Second Amended and Restated By-laws of the Company (the Restated By-laws ), effective immediately. The Restated By-laws revise the Company s existing By-laws to (1) clarify that electronic transmissions of notices of stockholder meetings and Board meetings, waivers of such notices and unanimous written consents of the Board, and, to the extent determined by the Board, participation by stockholders in stockholders meetings via remote communications are permitted (changes reflected in Sections 2.1, 2.4, 3.6 and 3.8(b)), (2) further clarify that, except for proposals properly brought under Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the advance notice by-law provisions apply to all stockholder proposals and nominations of candidates for election as directors and the procedures set forth in such advance notice by-law provisions shall be the exclusive means for a stockholder to properly bring business before an annual meeting of stockholders (changes reflected in Sections 2.2, 2.9 and 3.7), (3) require stockholders who provide advance notice of proposals or nominations to provide additional information to the Company as part of such notice, including information regarding the stockholder s beneficial ownership of derivative, swap, hedge, repurchase, short or similar positions with respect to the Company s securities (changes reflected in Article 1 and Sections 2.2, 2.9 and 3.7), (4) incorporate prior amendments and (5) make certain other technical amendments (changes reflected in Article 1 and Sections 2.4, 2.8, 2.9, 3.3, 3.4, 3.7 and 4.1(a)).

The foregoing descriptions of the changes reflected in the Restated By-laws are qualified in their entirety by reference to the copy of the Restated By-laws filed as Exhibit 3.1 to this Form 8-K, which is incorporated by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits. (d) Exhibits

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3.1 Second Amended and Restated By-laws of Boston Properties, Inc.

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#### **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.

BOSTON PROPERTIES, INC.

Date: October 24, 2008 By: /s/ Douglas T. Linde

Name: Douglas T. Linde

Title: President

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