

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On May 9, 2016, Hines REIT 2200 Ross Avenue LP, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hines Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. (“Hines REIT”) entered into a contract with Fortis Property Group, LLC, (the “Purchaser”) to sell JPMorgan Chase Tower. JPMorgan Chase Tower is an office building located in Dallas, Texas. The Purchaser is not affiliated with Hines REIT or its affiliates.

The net contract sales price for JPMorgan Chase Tower was expected to be approximately \$280.0 million, exclusive of transaction costs and closing prorations. Upon entering into the contract, the Purchaser funded an earnest money deposit in the sum of \$5.0 million. The contract provided that it would automatically terminate on May 12, 2016 if the Purchaser elected not to fund an additional \$10.0 million earnest money deposit in order to continue toward the closing of the purchase. The Purchaser did not elect to move forward with the purchase as of May 12, 2016 and did not fund the additional \$10.0 million earnest money deposit required under the contract. As a result, this contract was terminated in accordance with its terms effective May 12, 2016 and the \$5.0 million earnest money deposit will be refunded to the Purchaser.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

HINES REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST, INC.

May 13, 2016

By: /s/ J. Shea Morgenroth
J. Shea Morgenroth
Chief Accounting Officer and Treasurer