American Homes 4 Rent Form FWP May 17, 2016

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6.5% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Shares

| Issuer: | American Homes 4 Rent (NYSE: AMH) (the Issuer) |
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| Securities Offered: | 6.5% Series D Cumulative Redeemable Perpetual Preferred Shares (Series D Preferred Shares) |
| Size: | \$225,000,000 (9,000,000 shares) |
| Over-allotment Amount: | \$33,750,000 (1,350,000 shares) |
| Dividend Payments: | Dividends on the Series D Preferred Shares, when, as and if declared by the Board of Trustees (or a duly authorized committee of the Board of Trustees), will accrue or be payable on the liquidation preference amount from the original issue date, on a cumulative basis, quarterly in arrears on the last day of March, June, September and December of each year, commencing on June 30, 2016. |
| Offering Price / | |
| Liquidation Preference: | \$25.00 |
| Ratings: | Not Rated |
| Maturity: | Perpetual (unless the Series D Preferred Shares are redeemed by the Issuer or converted upon a change of control by the holders) |
| Concurrent Private Placement: | Concurrently with the completion of the offering, Tamara Hughes Gustavson, daughter of the Chairman of the Issuer s Board of Trustees, B. Wayne Hughes, will purchase \$10 million of the Issuer s Series D Preferred Shares in a private placement at the public offering price. The concurrent private placement is expected to close on the same day as the offering and is contingent upon completion of the offering. The offering is not contingent upon the closing of the private placement. |
| Use of Proceeds: | The Issuer will contribute the net proceeds it receives from the offering and the concurrent private placement to its operating partnership in exchange for 6.5% Series D cumulative redeemable perpetual preferred operating partnership units. The operating partnership intends to use the net proceeds from the offering and the concurrent private placement to repay indebtedness it has incurred or expects to incur under its credit facility, to acquire single-family properties and for general corporate purposes, including repurchases of its securities. |
| Optional Redemption: | The Issuer may, at its option, redeem the Series D Preferred Shares in whole or in part, from time to time, at any time on or after May 24, 2021 at a redemption price equal to \$25.00 per share, plus any accumulated and unpaid dividends to, but excluding, the date fixed for redemption. The Issuer may also redeem the Series D Preferred Shares in limited circumstances relating to maintaining our qualification as a REIT, as described in the preliminary prospectus supplement. |
| Special Redemption Option upon a Change of Control: | Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control (as defined in the preliminary prospectus supplement), the Issuer may redeem for cash, in whole or in part, the Series D Preferred Shares within 120 days after the date on |

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which such Change of Control occurred, by paying \$25.00 per share, plus any accumulated and unpaid dividends to, but excluding, the date fixed for redemption.

Conversion Rights: Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each holder of Series D Preferred Shares will have the right (unless, prior to the Change of Control Conversion Date, the Issuer has provided or provides notice of its election to redeem the Series D Preferred Shares in whole or in part) to convert some or all of the Series D Preferred Shares held by such holder on the Change of Control

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Conversion Date into a number of the Issuer s Class A common shares per Series D Preferred Share to be converted equal to the lesser of:

(1) the quotient obtained by dividing (i) the sum of (x) the liquidation preference amount of \$25.00 per Series D Preferred Share, plus (y) any accrued and unpaid dividends (whether or not declared) to, but excluding, the Change of Control Conversion Date by (ii) the Class A Share Price (as defined in the preliminary prospectus supplement); and

(2) 2.77932 shares, subject to certain adjustments;

subject, in each case, to provisions for the receipt of alternative consideration as described in the preliminary prospectus supplement.

 Voting Rights:
 The Series D Preferred Shares will not have voting rights, except as set forth in the preliminary prospectus supplement.

Expected Listing:The Issuer intends to apply to list the Series D Preferred Shares on the New York Stock Exchange under the
symbol AMHPRD. If the listing application is approved, the Issuer expects trading of the Series D Preferred
Shares to commence within 30 days after initial delivery of the Series D Preferred Shares.

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Trade Date: May 17, 2016

Settlement: May 24, 2016 (T + 5)

Public Offering Price: \$25.00 per share; \$225,000,000 total (or \$258,750,000 total if the underwriters exercise their over-allotment option in full)

Gross Spread: 3.15%

Selling Concession: 2.00%

Book-Running Manager: Raymond James & Associates, Inc. FBR Capital Markets & Co. Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. Wells Fargo Securities, LLC

Co-Managers: BB&T Capital Markets, a division of BB&T Securities, LLC

Janney Montgomery Scott LLC

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The securities described above are being offered pursuant to an effective shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (including a prospectus) and a preliminary prospectus supplement filed by the Issuer with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Before you invest, you should read the prospectus in that registration statement, the preliminary prospectus supplement and other documents the Issuer has filed with the SEC for more complete information about the Issuer and the offering.

Copies of the final prospectus relating to the offering will be filed with the SEC and may be obtained, when available, from Raymond James & Associates, Inc., 880 Carillon Parkway, St. Petersburg, Florida 33716, or by calling toll-free at 1-800-248-8863, or by emailing prospectus@raymondjames.com; FBR Capital Markets & Co., 1300 North 17th Street, Suite 1400, Arlington, VA 22209, or by calling toll-free at 1-800-846-5050, or by emailing prospectuses@fbr.com; Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., 787 Seventh Avenue, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10019, or by calling toll-free at 1-800-966-1559; or Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, 608 2nd Avenue South, Suite 1000, Minneapolis, MN 55402, or by calling toll-free at 1-800-645-3751, or by emailing wfscustomerservice@wellsfargo.com.

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