

JOHNSTON PETER D  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
JOHNSTON PETER D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BOSTON PROPERTIES INC [BXP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O BOSTON PROPERTIES, INC., 2200 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/28/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior Vice President

(Street)  
WASHINGTON, DC 20037

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01   | 08/28/2012                           |  | C <sup>(1)</sup>               | 3,722 A   | \$ 28,290.5235 <sup>(2)</sup>   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01   | 08/28/2012                           |  | S                              | 3,722 D   | \$ 110.9246 24,568.5235 <sup>(3)</sup>  | D  |                                   |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |                 | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-----------------|---|-------------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date |   |                               |
| LTIP Units                                 | (4)  | 08/28/2012                           |  | C(1)                           | 3,722   | (4)  | (4)             | Common Units  | 3,722                         |
| Common OP Units                            | (4)  | 08/28/2012                           |  | C(1)                           | 3,722   | (4)  | (4)             | Common Stock  | 3,722                         |
| Common OP Units                            | (4)  | 08/28/2012                           |  | C(1)                           | 3,722   | (4)  | (4)             | Common Stock  | 3,722                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                       |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer               | Other |
| JOHNSTON PETER D<br>C/O BOSTON PROPERTIES, INC.<br>2200 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW<br>WASHINGTON, DC 20037 |               |           | Senior Vice President |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Kelli A. DiLuglio,  
Attorney-in-Fact

08/30/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

- (1) 3,722 of the Reporting Person's units of limited partnership interest in Boston Properties Limited Partnership (BPLP), of which the Issuer is the sole general partner, were converted into common units of limited partnership interest (Common OP Units) in BPLP by the Reporting Person and the Common OP Units were immediately redeemed for an equal number of shares of the Issuer's Common Stock in accordance with BPLP's Partnership Agreement.
- (2) Includes 56,1294 shares which the Reporting Person acquired in July 2012 pursuant to the Boston Properties, Inc. 1999 Non-Qualified Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) Represents the weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at sale prices ranging from \$110.88 to \$111.00, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the

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Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

- Represents units of limited partnership interest in Boston Properties Limited Partnership (BPLP), of which the Issuer is the general partner, issued as long term incentive compensation pursuant to the Issuer's equity based incentive programs. Conditioned upon minimum allocations to the capital accounts of the LTIP Units for federal income tax purposes, each LTIP Unit may be converted, at the election of
- (4) the holder, into a common unit of limited partnership interest in BPLP (Common OP Unit). Each Common OP Unit acquired upon conversion of an LTIP Unit may be presented for redemption, at the election of the holder, for cash equal to the then fair market value of a share of the Issuer's Common Stock, except that the Issuer may, at its election, acquire each Common OP Unit so presented for one share of Common Stock.

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