ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST INC

Form 8-K

September 23, 2005

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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): September 19, 2005 ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MARYLAND (State of Incorporation)

001-31775

86-1062192

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

14185 Dallas Parkway, Suite 1100 Dallas, Texas

75254

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (972) 490-9600

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ITEM 1.01. ENTRY INTO MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENTS

On September 19, 2005, Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc. (the Company) entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Hyatt Dulles in Herndon, Virginia, for approximately \$72.5 million in cash from Dulles Airport Hotel, LLC, an affiliate of Colony Capital, LLC. The acquisition is expected to close in October 2005.

Hyatt Corporation will continue to operate the hotel under an incentive management agreement. The Company intends to fund the acquisition from cash currently on its balance sheet.

The Company has deposited \$3.5 million under the Purchase and Sale Agreement, and this deposit is non-refundable except (i) in the event of a default under the Purchase and Sale Agreement by the seller; or (ii) as expressly provided in the Purchase and Sale Agreement. Consummation of the transaction is subject to closing conditions, and the Company s obligations under the Purchase and Sale Agreement are conditioned upon satisfaction of customary conditions precedent related to title of the property, performance of obligations, and similar matters. Accordingly, the Company can give no assurance that all or part of the transaction will be consummated or that, if consummated, it would follow all of the terms set forth in the agreements governing the transaction.

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ITEM 9.01. EXHIBITS

(a) Exhibits

10.23.1 Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated August 23, 2005, between the Registrant and Dulles Airport Hotel, LLC.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: September 23, 2005

ASHFORD HOSPITALITY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ DAVID A. BROOKS

David A. Brooks Chief Legal Officer