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): August 9, 2017

THE MACERICH COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 1-12504 (Commission File Number) 95-4448705 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

401 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 700, Santa Monica, California 90401 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (310) 394-6000

 ${\bf N}/{\bf A}$ (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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ndicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) in Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).	
Emerging growth company \Box	
f an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or evised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. □	

ITEM 8.01. OTHER EVENTS.

On August 9, 2017, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of The Macerich Company, acting through its independent directors, elected Steven R. Hash as its lead director. Mr. Hash joined the Board on May 28, 2015. Mr. Hash succeeds Frederick S. Hubbell, who had served as lead director since October 2012. Mr. Hubbell informed the Board that his decision to step down as lead director was due to the expected demands from his recently announced candidacy for Governor of Iowa. Mr. Hubbell will continue to serve on the Board.

SIGNATURE

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.

THE MACERICH COMPANY

(Registrant)

Date: August 9, 2017

By: /s/ Thomas J. Leanse

Thomas J. Leanse

Thomas J. Leanse Senior Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Secretary