

Howard Bancorp Inc
Form 8-K
May 24, 2018

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 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): **May 23, 2018**

Howard Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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| Maryland | 001-35489 | 20-3735949 |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
| 3301 Boston Street, Baltimore, Maryland | 21224 | |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | (Zip Code) | |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(410) 750-0020**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate 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) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If 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 revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Section 5 – Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

At Howard Bancorp, Inc.'s (the "Company") annual meeting of stockholders held on May 23, 2018, the Company's stockholders voted on the following matters:

- To elect five Class I directors to serve for a three-year term expiring at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders in 2021, and until their successors are elected and qualify; to elect two Class II director to serve for the remainder of a three-year term expiring at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders in 2019 and until their successors are elected and qualify, and to elect two Class III director to serve for the remainder of a three-year term expiring at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders in 2020 and until their successors are elected and qualify.

| | Votes For | Votes Withheld | Broker Non-Votes |
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| <u>Class I</u> | | | |
| Howard Feinglass | 10,784,208 | 20,588 | 5,654,352 |
| John J. Keenan | 10,766,273 | 38,523 | 5,654,352 |
| Robert D. Kunisch, Jr. | 10,644,761 | 160,035 | 5,654,352 |
| Kenneth C. Lundeen | 10,785,055 | 19,741 | 5,654,352 |
| Thomas P. O'Neill | 8,635,314 | 2,169,482 | 5,654,352 |

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| <u>Class II</u> | | | |
| W. Gary Dorsch | 10,786,621 | 18,175 | 5,654,352 |
| Michael B. High | 10,767,412 | 37,384 | 5,654,352 |

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| <u>Class III</u> | | | |
| James T. Drescher, Jr. | 10,786,621 | 18,175 | 5,654,352 |
| Jack E. Steil | 10,644,661 | 160,135 | 5,654,352 |

2. To approve a non-binding advisory proposal to approve the compensation of the Company's named executive officers.

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| Votes For | 9,843,176 |
| Votes Against | 936,959 |
| Abstain | 24,661 |
| Broker Non-Votes | 5,654,352 |

3. To ratify the appointment of Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm to audit the Company's financial statements for 2018.

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| Votes For | 16,391,978 |
| Votes Against | 58,768 |
| Abstain | 8,402 |

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 hereunto duly authorized.

HOWARD BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/ George C. Coffman

Name: George C. Coffman

Date: May 24, 2018 Title: Executive Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer