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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): April 19, 2017

Asbury Automotive Group, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-31262 01-0609375

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

2905 Premiere Parkway NW Suite 300

Duluth, GA 30097

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(770) 418-8200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

On April 19, 2017, Asbury Automotive Group, Inc. (the "Company") held its 2017 annual meeting of stockholders (the "Annual Meeting"). The matters upon which the stockholders voted are set forth below.

### Proposal 1

The three Class III director nominees named in the Company's proxy statement were elected, each to hold office until the 2019 Annual Meeting and until their successors are duly elected and qualified, based upon the following votes:

Nominee For Withheld Broker Non-Votes

Juanita T. James 17,997,13117,816 966,855 Craig T. Monaghan 18,000,70214,245 966,855 Thomas J. Reddin 18,002,25412,693 966,855

### Proposal 2

The proposal to approve the material terms of the performance goals under the Asbury Automotive Group, Inc. 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, was approved based on the following votes:

For 17,931,506 Against 80,234 Abstain 3,207 Broker Non-Votes 966,855

#### Proposal 3

The proposal to approve an advisory resolution on the compensation of the Company's named executive officers was approved based on the following votes:

For 17,730,112 Against 282,271 Abstain 2,564 Broker Non-Votes 966,855

#### Proposal 4

The proposal for the "1 year" option for the advisory vote on the frequency of future advisory votes on executive compensation was approved based on the following votes:

1 Year 15,125,612 2 Years 101,052 3 Years 2,786,424 Abstain 1,859 Broker Non-Votes 966,855

### Proposal 5

The proposal to ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2017 was approved based on the following votes:

For 18,903,111 Against 72,756 Abstain 5,935 Broker Non-Votes 0

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With respect to Proposal 1, each of the director-nominees received the affirmative vote of a plurality of the votes cast (each with a greater number of votes cast "for" than "withheld"), and each was elected to serve for a term of two years.

Proposal 2 received the affirmative vote of a majority of votes cast and therefore passed. The Asbury Automotive Group, Inc. 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 21, 2017 as Appendix A to the Company's definitive proxy statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

Proposal 3 received the affirmative vote of a majority of votes cast and therefore passed.

Proposal 4 received the affirmative vote of a majority of votes cast and therefore passed. The Company has determined that it will hold an advisory vote to approve the compensation of its named executive officers every year until the next required vote on the frequency of the advisory vote on the compensation of the Company's named executive officers.

Proposals 5 received the affirmative vote of a majority of votes cast and therefore passed.

#### **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.

#### ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC.

Date: April 21, 2017 By: /s/ George A. Villasana

Name: George A. Villasana

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary