

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP
Form 8-K
May 18, 2010

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): May 17, 2010

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

0-18630
(Commission

File Number)

95-4274680
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

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777 North Broadway, Los Angeles, California

(Address of principal executive offices)

90012

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (213) 625-4700

Not Applicable

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

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

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

On May 17, 2010, Cathay General Bancorp (the Company) held its Annual Meeting of Stockholders at which the stockholders voted upon (i) the election of four Class II directors to serve until the 2013 annual meeting of stockholders and their successors have been elected and qualified, (ii) the ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the 2010 fiscal year, and (iii) an advisory (non-binding) proposal to approve the Company's executive compensation.

The stockholders elected all four Class II director nominees, approved the ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the 2010 fiscal year, and approved the advisory (non-binding) proposal to approve the Company's executive compensation. The number of votes cast for, against or withheld, as well as the number of abstentions and broker non-votes as to each such matter voted upon, as applicable, are set forth below.

Election of Four Class II Directors

| Name | For | Withheld | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------------|------------|-----------|------------------|
| Kelly L. Chan | 49,573,848 | 1,647,456 | 12,222,214 |
| Dunson K. Cheng | 49,743,467 | 1,477,837 | 12,222,214 |
| Thomas C.T. Chiu | 48,302,641 | 2,918,663 | 12,222,214 |
| Joseph C.H. Poon | 48,085,335 | 3,135,969 | 12,222,214 |

Proposal to Ratify the Appointment of KPMG LLP as Our Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for the 2010 Fiscal Year

| For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------|---------|---------|------------------|
| 63,221,031 | 149,255 | 73,232 | 0 |

Advisory (Non-Binding) Proposal to Approve Our Executive Compensation

| For | Against | Abstain | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------|-----------|-----------|------------------|
| 56,726,021 | 5,547,498 | 1,169,999 | 0 |

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.

Date: May 18, 2010

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

By: /s/ HENG W. CHEN
Heng W. Chen
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer