

EAST WEST BANCORP INC
Form 8-K
March 29, 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**

March 25, 2010

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported)

EAST WEST BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number 000-24939

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

95-4703316

(IRS Employer Identification
Number)

135 N Los Robles Ave., 7th Floor, Pasadena, California 91101

(Address of principal executive offices including zip code)

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(626) 768-6000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

East West Bancorp, Inc. (the Company) held a special meeting of stockholders (the Special Meeting) on March 25, 2010 in Pasadena, California. At the Special Meeting, the Company's stockholders approved two proposals. The proposals are described in detail in the Proxy Statement mailed to stockholders on or about February 24, 2010 (the Proxy Statement).

Proposal 1

The Company's stockholders approved the issuance of shares of common stock upon the conversion of the Company's recently issued 335,047 of Mandatorily Convertible Cumulative Non-Voting Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series C, as contemplated by the investment agreements described in the Proxy Statement and for purposes of NASDAQ Stock Market Rule 5635 as set forth below:

Votes For	Votes Against	Abstentions
67,158,500	128,184	259,562

Proposal 2

The Company's stockholders approved the adjournment or postponement of the Special Meeting to a later date or dates, if necessary, to solicit additional Proxies given prior to the time of the Special Meeting to constitute a quorum for purposes of the Special Meeting or to solicit additional Proxies in favor of the approval of the above proposal as set forth below:

Votes For	Votes Against	Abstentions
53,028,185	13,995,507	522,554

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: March 29, 2010

EAST WEST BANCORP, INC.

By: */s/ Douglas P. Krause*
Douglas P. Krause, Esq.
Executive Vice President and General Counsel