HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES INC Form S-3DPOS January 04, 2006

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Registration No. 333-51759

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 ON FORM S-11 TO
FORM S-3 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

56-1871668

(I.R.S. employer identification number)

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(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of the registrant s principal executive offices)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to public: This post-effective amendment deregisters all of the securities that remain unsold under the registration statement as of the date hereof.

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

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If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434, please check the following box. "

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Highwoods Properties, Inc. (the Company) hereby amends the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-51759) relating to the registration of up to 2,034,596 shares of common stock of the Company pursuant to its Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan (the DRIP) by filing this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 (this Amendment). This Registration Statement was originally filed on May 4, 1998. The Registrant has terminated the primary offering by the Company of common stock under the DRIP. Pursuant to the Registrant s undertaking under Item 512(a)(3) of Regulation S-K, by filing this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement, the Registrant hereby terminates the Registration Statement and deregisters all securities that remain unsold under the Registration Statement as of the date hereof.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-11 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Raleigh, State of North Carolina, on January 4, 2006.

HIGHWOODS PROPERTIES, INC.

By: /s/ Edward J. Fritsch Edward J. Fritsch

President and Chief Executive Officer

Note: No other person is required to sign this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement in reliance upon Rule 478 under the Securities Act of 1933.