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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 reported) May 23, 2016

American River Bankshares

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its chapter)

California 0-31525 68-0352144 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer

Of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

3100 Zinfandel Drive, Suite 450, Ranch Cordova, California 95670 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (916) 851-0123

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

At the Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on May 19, 2016, three proposals were submitted to a vote of shareholders through the solicitation of proxies. The voting results are attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 8.01. Other Events

Registrant issued a press release May 23, 2016 announcing the results of the 2016 American River Bankshares Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The foregoing description is qualified by reference to the press release attached here to as Exhibit 99.2.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Voting results for the 2016 Annual Meeting of Shareholders

99.2 Press Release dated May 23, 2016

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.

AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES

/s/ Mitchell A. Derenzo

May 23, 2016 Mitchell A. Derenzo, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting and Financial Officer)

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