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WASHINGTON PRIME GROUP INC. Form 4 February 23, 2017 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Knerr Keric M Issuer Symbol WASHINGTON PRIME GROUP (Check all applicable) INC. [WPG] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O WASHINGTON PRIME 02/21/2017 Executive Vice President & COO GROUP INC., 180 EAST BROAD STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting COLUMBUS, OH 43215 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial anv (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration E (Month/Day	Date	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	02/21/2017		А	49,223	(2)	(2)	Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	49,223
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>	02/21/2017		A	31,315	(2)	(2)	Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	31,315
Performance Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	02/21/2017		A	31,315	<u>(5)</u>	(5)	Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	31,315

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
FB	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Knerr Keric M C/O WASHINGTON PRIME GROUP INC. 180 EAST BROAD STREET COLUMBUS, OH 43215			Executive Vice President & COO			
Signatures						
/s/ Robert P. Demchak, by power of attorney	02/2	3/2017				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Γ	Date				

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) Each of the restricted stock units ("RSUs") was issued as payment for the 2016 Annual Awards and represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock (the "Common Stock").

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The RSUs shall vest and become nonforfeitable in one-third installments on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date of February 21, 2017 ("Grant Date"), provided that the Reporting Person is in continued compliance with certain covenants in the Reporting Person's employment agreement and subject to certain provisions of such agreement relating to a change in control of the Issuer.

- (3) Each of the RSUs was issued in connection with the issuance of the 2017 Annual Awards and represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock.
- (4) Each of the performance stock units ("PSUs") represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock.

Unvested PSUs shall be earned based upon the satisfaction of certain relative total shareholder return criteria with a percentage of vested PSUs ranging from 0% to 150% over a three-year performance period from the Grant Date to February 21, 2020 ("Vesting Date"),

(5) provided that the Reporting Person is in continued compliance with certain covenants in the Reporting Person's employment agreement and subject to certain provisions of such agreement relating to a change in control of the Issuer. Settlement of the PSUs shall occur as soon as practicable after the Vesting Date, but no later than March 15, 2021.

Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney, dated February 23, 2017.

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