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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement WASHINGTON PRIME GROUP INC. [WPG] A Mastropietro Armand (Month/Day/Year) 11/02/2017 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O WASHINGTON PRIME (Check all applicable) GROUP INC., 180 EAST **BROAD STREET** 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer (Street) Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) Exec VP, Property Management _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person COLUMBUS. OHÂ 43215 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Common Shares of Beneficial Interest, Â $29,790^{(1)}$ D \$0.0001 par value Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security
2. Date Exercisable and (Instr. 4)

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

2. Date Exercisable and Securities Underlying (Month/Day/Year)

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

Derivative Security

3. Title and Amount of 4. 5. 6. Nature of Indirect Conversion Ownership or Exercise Form of Ownership

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			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	03/11/2019	Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share	2,195	\$ 1.79	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	03/04/2020	Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share	2,195	\$ 5.76	D	Â
Unvested LTIP Units (3)	(4)(5)	(4)	Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share	5,704	\$ <u>(4)</u>	D	Â
Vested LTIP Units (3)	(4)	(4)	Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share	5,703	\$ <u>(4)</u>	D	Â
Unvested LTIP Units (6)	(4)(7)	(4)	Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share	4,268	\$ <u>(4)</u>	D	Â
Vested LTIP Units (6)	(4)	(4)	Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share	2,134	\$ <u>(4)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(8)	(8)	Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share	16,841	\$ <u>(9)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(8)	(8)	Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share	9,005	\$ <u>(10)</u>	D	Â
Performance Stock Units	(11)	(11)		9,005	\$ (12)	D	Â

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Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiationsinps					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Mastropietro Armand						
C/O WASHINGTON PRIME GROUP INC. 180 EAST BROAD STREET	Â	Â	Exec VP, Property Management	Â		

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Signatures

/s/ Robert J. Demchak, as Attorney-in-Fact

COLUMBUS, OHÂ 43215

11/13/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Includes 5,326 shares of restricted common stock of Washington Prime Group Inc. (the "Company" or "Issuer").
- These stock options are exercisable and, subject to the terms of the stock option award agreement, will remain exercisable until the **(2)** expiration date.
- Represents long-term incentive performance ("LTIP") units of Washington Prime Group, L.P (the "Operating Partnership"), of which the Company is the sole general partner, issued to Mr. Mastropietro (the "Reporting Person") on February 24, 2015 as long-term (3) incentive compensation pursuant to the Operating Partnership's 2014 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Incentive Plan") in compliance with Rule 16b-3. These LTIP units were issued as "Series 2015A LTIP Units" under the Incentive Plan.
- When earned and vested, each LTIP unit may be converted (at the Reporting Person's option) on a one-for-one basis into a unit of limited partnership interest ("Partnership Unit") subject to the terms and conditions of the applicable certificate of designation that **(4)** relates to the LTIP units. Each Partnership Unit may be exchanged for a share of the Company's common stock (the "Common Stock") on a one-for-one basis, or cash, as selected by the Company. LTIP units have no set expiration date.
- Subject to certain exceptions, 50% of the listed LTIP units will vest on January 15, 2018 and the remaining 50% will vest on January **(5)** 15, 2019.
- Represents LTIP units of the Operating Partnership issued to the Reporting Person on February 25, 2016 as long-term incentive **(6)** compensation pursuant to the Operating Partnership's Incentive Plan in compliance with Rule 16b-3. These LTIP units were issued as "Series 2015B LTIP Units" under the Incentive Plan.
- Subject to certain exceptions, 50% of the listed LTIP units will vest on January 1, 2018 and the remaining 50% will vest on January **(7)** 1, 2019.
- The listed restricted stock units ("RSUs") shall vest and become nonforfeitable in one-third installments on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the February 21, 2017 grant date (the "Grant Date") provided that the Reporting Person is in continued **(8)** compliance with certain covenants in the Reporting Person's employment agreement, as amended, and subject to certain provisions of such agreement relating to a change in control of the Issuer.
- Each of the RSUs was issued to the Reporting Person on the Grant Date as incentive compensation payment for the Company's 2016 **(9)** Annual Awards and represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock.

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Each of the RSUs was issued to the Reporting Person on the Grant Date in connection with the issuance of the Company's 2017 Annual Awards and represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock.

- Unvested performance stock units ("PSUs") shall be earned based upon the satisfaction of certain relative total shareholder return ("TSR") 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"), provided that the Reporting Person is in continued compliance with certain covenants in the Reporting Person's employment agreement, as amended, 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.
- (12) Each of the PSUs was awarded on the Grant Date in connection with the issuance of the Company's 2017 Annual Awards and represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock.

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Remarks:

The filing of this Statement shall not be construed as an admission: (a) that the person filing this

Exhibit 24 – Limited Power of Attorney, dated November 2, 2017.

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