Whitestone REIT Form 8-A12B August 24, 2010

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-A

# FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR 12(g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

# WHITESTONE REIT

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland (State of Incorporation or Organization)

 $76\text{-}0594970 \\ \textbf{(I.R.S. Employee Identification No.)}$ 

2600 South Gessner, Suite 500

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#### Houston, Texas

#### (Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), check the following box b

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), check the following box.

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates: 333-162859

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Name of each exchange on which

#### Title of each class to be registered

Class B Common Shares, par value \$0.001 per share Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

each class is to be registered NYSE Amex, LLC

None

(Title of Class)

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN REGISTRATION STATEMENT

#### Item 1. Description of Registrant s Securities to be Registered

The securities to be registered hereby are the Class B common shares (the Class B common shares), par value \$0.001 per share, of Whitestone REIT (the Registrant or Whitestone). The description of the Class B common shares is contained in the section entitled Description of Securities in the Registrant s Registration Statement on Form S-11, File No. 333-162859 (the Registration Statement) initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 4, 2009, together with all amendments filed with respect thereto. The information contained within this one section is incorporated herein by reference. Any form of prospectus or prospectus supplement to the Registration Statement that includes such description and that is subsequently filed is hereby also incorporated by reference herein.

#### Item 2. Index to Exhibits

The following have been filed as exhibits to the Registration Statement and are hereby incorporated by reference herein:

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3.1	Articles of Amendment and Restatement of Whitestone REIT (previously filed as and incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant s Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on July 31, 2008)	
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#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

#### WHITESTONE REIT

By: /s/ James C. Mastandrea

James C. Mastandrea

**Chairman and Chief Executive Officer** 

Dated: August 24, 2010

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