HERITAGE COMMERCE CORP Form DEFA14A April 16, 2009

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 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 event reported): April 16, 2009

HERITAGE COMMERCE CORP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

| California | | 000-23877 | 77-0469558 |
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| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
| | | | |
| 150 Almaden Boulevard, San Jose, CA | | | 95113 |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | | | (Zip Code) |

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (408) 947-6900

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (See General Instruction A.2. below):

| o | Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) |
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| 0 | Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) |
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| TTEM 8.01 | Other Events. | |
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| Ford to stand for | | d a press release announcing that the Board of Directors has nominated Celeste V. of the Company at the 2009 Annual Meeting for the Board seat of Louis O. 2009 Annual Meeting. |
| (the SEC) a p 2009 Annual Sh additional free c by the SEC at w | oreliminary proxy statement on April 9 areholders Meeting . The Company s opies of the Proxy Statement and other www.sec.gov. The Proxy Statement and | 09 Annual Meeting, the Company filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission 2, 2009. The Proxy Statement contains important information about the Company and the shareholders are urged to read the Proxy Statement carefully. Shareholders may obtain r relevant documents filed with the SEC by the Company through the website maintained to their relevant documents may also be obtained free of charge from the Company by maden Boulevard, San Jose California, 95113. |
| A copy of the p | ress release is attached hereto as Exl | hibit 99.1, and is incorporated herein by reference. |
| ITEM 9.01 | Financial Statements a | and Exhibits |
| (d) | The following exhibits are inclu | ded with this Report: |
| Exhibit 99.1 | Press Release dated | April 16, 2009 |
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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 thereunto duly authorized.

HERITAGE COMMERCE CORP

DATED: April 16, 2009 By: /s/ Lawrence McGovern

Lawrence McGovern Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit Index

Exhibit 99.1 Description

Press Release dated April 16, 2009