

**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): **October 4, 2018**

AVISTA HEALTHCARE PUBLIC ACQUISITION CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Cayman Islands
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-37906
(Commission
File Number)

98-1329150
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**65 East 55th Street
18th Floor
New York, NY**
(Address of principal executive offices)

10022
(Zip Code)

(212) 593-6900
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable
(Registrant's name or former address, if change 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:

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- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Emerging growth company ☒

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On October 4, 2018, in connection with its Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on October 4, 2018 (the “EGM”), Avista Healthcare Public Acquisition Corp., a Cayman Islands exempted company (“AHPAC” or the “Company”) and Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company (the “Trustee”) entered into Amendment No. 1 (the “Trust Amendment”) to the Investment Management Trust Agreement, dated as of October 10, 2016, to extend the date on which the Trustee must liquidate the trust account established in connection with the Company’s initial public offering if the Company has not completed its initial business combination, from October 14, 2018 to February 15, 2019. A copy of the Trust Amendment is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

At the EGM, which was held on October 4, 2018, holders of an aggregate of 35,919,455 Class A ordinary shares of the Company, par value \$0.0001 per share and Class B ordinary shares of the Company, par value \$0.0001 per share (together, the “ordinary shares”), which represents 97.57% of the ordinary shares outstanding and entitled to vote as of the record date of September 12, 2018, were represented in person or by proxy.

At the EGM, the following were submitted to and approved by the holders of our ordinary shares.

1. The Extension Amendment Proposal — the voting results of a proposal to amend the Company’s amended and restated memorandum and articles of association to extend the date by which the Company has to consummate a business combination from October 14, 2018 to February 15, 2019 are set forth below:

For	Against	Abstain	Broker Non-Votes
30,179,230	3,302,225	2,438,000	N/A

The proposal was approved, having received “for” votes from holders of at least two thirds of the ordinary shares represented in person or by proxy and entitled to vote thereon at the EGM (voting together as a single class).

In connection with this vote, the holders of 30,798,019 Class A ordinary shares properly exercised their right to redeem their shares for cash at a redemption price of approximately \$10.20 per share, for an aggregate redemption amount of approximately \$314,258,591.61, in connection with the extension.

2. The Trust Amendment Proposal — the voting results of a proposal to amend the Company’s Investment Management Trust Agreement, dated as of October 10, 2016, by and between AHPAC and Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, to extend the date on which to commence liquidating the trust account established in connection with the Company’s initial public offering in the event the Company has not consummated a business combination prior to October 14, 2018, from October 14, 2018 to February 15, 2019 are set forth below:

For	Against	Abstain	Broker Non-Votes
30,179,230	3,302,225	2,438,000	N/A

The proposal was approved, having received “for” votes from holders of more than sixty five percent (65%) of the issued and outstanding ordinary shares.

The approval of the Extension Amendment will provide an opportunity for the Company’s shareholders to evaluate the Company’s proposed business combination with Organogenesis Inc., a Delaware corporation (“Organogenesis”). In connection with the proposed business combination, the Company, Organogenesis and Avista Healthcare Merger Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and a direct wholly owned subsidiary of AHPAC (“Merger Sub”) entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the “Merger Agreement”) on August 17, 2018, as reported on AHPAC’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on August 17, 2018.

Forward Looking Statements

This Current Report includes “forward looking statements” within the meaning of the “safe harbor” provisions of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements may be identified by the use of words such as “forecast,”

“intend,” “seek,” “target,” “anticipate,” “believe,” “expect,” “estimate,” “plan,” “outlook,” “extend,” and “project” and other similar expressions that predict or indicate future events or trends or that are not statements of historical matters. Such forward looking statements include estimated financial information. Such forward looking statements with respect to revenues, earnings, performance, strategies, prospects and other aspects of the businesses of AHPAC, Organogenesis or the combined company after completion of the Business Combination are based on current expectations that are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results or outcomes to differ materially from expectations expressed or implied by such forward looking statements. These factors include, but are not limited to: (1) the occurrence of any event, change or other circumstances that could give rise to the termination of the Merger Agreement and the proposed Business Combination contemplated therein; (2) the inability to complete the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement due to the failure to obtain approval of the stockholders of AHPAC or other conditions to closing in the Merger Agreement; (3) the ability to meet applicable NASDAQ listing standards; (4) the risk that the proposed Business Combination disrupts current plans and operations of Organogenesis as a result of the announcement and consummation of the transactions described herein; (5) the ability to recognize the anticipated benefits of the proposed Business Combination, which may be affected by, among other things, competition, the ability of the combined company to grow and manage growth profitably, maintain relationships with customers and suppliers and retain its management and key employees; (6) costs related to the proposed Business Combination; (7) changes in applicable laws or regulations; (8) the possibility that Organogenesis may be adversely affected by other economic, business, and/or competitive factors; and (9) other risks and uncertainties indicated from time to time in the definitive registration statement of AHPAC filed in connection with the proposed Business Combination and the joint proxy/consent solicitation statement/prospectus contained therein, including those under “Risk Factors” therein, and other documents filed or to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by AHPAC. Investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance upon any forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date made. AHPAC and Organogenesis undertake no commitment to update or revise the forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Anyone using the presentation does so at their own risk and no responsibility is accepted for any losses which may result from such use directly or indirectly. Investors should carry out their own due diligence in connection with the assumptions contained herein. The forward-looking statements in this press release speak as of the date of this release. Although AHPAC may from time to time voluntarily update its prior forward-looking statements, it disclaims any commitment to do so whether as a result of new information, future events, changes in assumptions or otherwise except as required by applicable securities laws.

Disclaimer

This Current Report shall neither constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities, nor shall there be any sale of securities in any jurisdiction in which the offer, solicitation, or sale would be unlawful prior to the registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction. This Current Report relates to a proposed Business Combination between AHPAC and Organogenesis.

Additional Information About the Business Combination

In connection with the proposed Business Combination between Organogenesis and AHPAC, AHPAC has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) registration statement on Form S-4 and joint proxy/consent solicitation statement/prospectus forming a part thereof (the “Registration Statement”) and will mail a definitive Registration Statement and other relevant documentation to AHPAC’s shareholders. **AHPAC’s shareholders and**

other interested persons are advised to read the preliminary Registration Statement and the amendments thereto and, when available, the definitive Registration Statement and documents incorporated by reference therein as these materials will contain important information about AHPAC, Organogenesis and the Business Combination. The definitive Registration Statement will be mailed to AHPAC’s shareholders as of a record date to be established for voting on the proposed Business Combination when it becomes available. Shareholders will also be able to obtain a copy of the preliminary and definitive Registration Statement once it is available, without charge, at the SEC’s website at <http://sec.gov> or by directing a request to: Avista Healthcare Public Acquisition Corp., 65 East 55th Street, 18th Floor, New York, NY 10022.

AHPAC shareholders will be able to obtain free copies of these documents (if and when available) and other documents containing important information about AHPAC and Organogenesis, once such documents are filed with the SEC.

Participants in the Solicitation

AHPAC and its directors, executive officers and other members of its management and employees and Organogenesis and its directors and management may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from AHPAC’s shareholders in connection with the proposed Business Combination. Shareholders are urged to carefully read the Registration Statement regarding the proposed Business

Combination, because it contains important information. Information regarding the persons who may, under the rules of the SEC, be deemed participants in the solicitation of AHPAC's shareholders in connection with the proposed Business Combination will be set forth in the Registration Statement when it is filed with the SEC. Information about AHPAC's executive officers and directors also will be set forth in the Registration Statement relating to the proposed Business Combination when it becomes available.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Exhibit
3.1	<u>Amendment to Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association</u>
10.1	<u>Amendment No. 1, dated as of October 4, 2018, to the Investment Management Trust Agreement, dated as of October 10, 2016, between the Company and Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, as trustee</u>

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SIGNATURE

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.

AVISTA HEALTHCARE PUBLIC ACQUISITION CORP.

Dated: October 4, 2018

By: /s/ Benjamin Silbert

Name: Benjamin Silbert

Title: Secretary

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