

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, DC 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) **March 15, 2013**

THE MACERICH COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

MARYLAND
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

1-12504
(Commission File Number)

95-4448705
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

401 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 700, Santa Monica, California 90401
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(310) 394-6000**

N/A
(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):

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

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(e) On March 15, 2013, The Macerich Company (the "Company") and Arthur M. Coppola, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, terminated his Management Continuity Agreement, dated December 29, 2008, between the Company and Mr. Coppola. The Management Continuity Agreement provided certain severance and other benefits to Mr. Coppola upon a change in control of the Company.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, The Macerich Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE MACERICH COMPANY

By: THOMAS J. LEANSE

March 19, 2013
Date

/s/ Thomas J. Leanse
Senior Executive Vice President,
Chief Legal Officer and Secretary

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