# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Dated: October 18, 2016

Commission File No. 001-33811

# NAVIOS MARITIME PARTNERS L.P.

7 Avenue de Grande Bretagne, Office 11B2 <u>Monte Carlo, MC 98000 Monaco</u> (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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# Information Contained in this Report on Form 6-K

Attached hereto is a copy of the Notice of 2016 Annual Meeting of Limited Partners and Proxy Statement of Navios Maritime Partners L.P., dated October 18, 2016 for the 2016 Annual Meeting of Limited Partners to be held on Thursday, December 15, 2016.



Dear Unitholder,

We cordially invite you to attend our 2016 annual meeting of unitholders to be held at 10:30 a.m., local time, on Thursday, December 15, 2016 at our offices at Le Montaigne Bloc B, 7 Avenue de Grande Bretagne, Monaco. The attached notice of annual meeting and proxy statement describe the business we will conduct at the meeting and provide information about Navios Maritime Partners L.P. that you should consider when you vote.

When you have finished reading the proxy statement, please promptly vote your interests by marking, signing, dating and returning the proxy card in the enclosed envelope. We encourage you to vote by proxy so that your interests will be represented and voted at the meeting, whether or not you can attend.

Sincerely,

Angeliki Frangou Chairman and Chief Executive Officer



# October 18, 2016

TIME: 10:30 a.m., local time

DATE: December 15, 2016

PLACE: Offices of Navios Maritime Partners L.P., Le Montaigne Bloc B, 7 Avenue de Grande Bretagne, Monaco PURPOSES:

- 1. To elect one Class II director to serve until the 2019 Annual Meeting of Limited Partners ("Proposal One").
- 2. To ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers S.A. as our independent public accountants for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016 ("*Proposal Two*").
- 3. To consider any other business that is properly presented at the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

#### WHO MAY VOTE:

The Board of Directors has fixed the close of business on October 17, 2016 as the record date for the determination of the Limited Partners entitled to receive notice and to vote at the annual meeting or any adjournment thereof. A list of common unit holders of record will be available at the meeting and, during the 10 days prior to the meeting, at the office of the Secretary at the above address.

# IT IS IMPORTANT TO VOTE. WHETHER OR NOT YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING, PLEASE COMPLETE, DATE, SIGN AND RETURN THE ENCLOSED PROXY. THE VOTE OF EVERY LIMITED PARTNER IS IMPORTANT AND YOUR COOPERATION IN RETURNING YOUR EXECUTED PROXY PROMPTLY WILL BE APPRECIATED. ANY SIGNED PROXY RETURNED AND NOT COMPLETED WILL BE VOTED IN FAVOR OF ALL THE PROPOSALS PRESENTED IN THE PROXY STATEMENT.

If you attend the annual meeting, you may revoke your proxy and vote in person.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Vasiliki Papaefthymiou Secretary



# PROXY STATEMENT FOR NAVIOS MARITIME PARTNERS L.P.

### 2016 ANNUAL MEETING OF LIMITED PARTNERS TO BE HELD ON DECEMBER 15, 2016

# GENERAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ANNUAL MEETING

#### Why Did You Send Me this Proxy Statement?

We sent you this proxy statement and the enclosed proxy card because Navios Maritime Partners L.P.'s Board of Directors is soliciting your proxy to vote at the 2016 annual meeting of Limited Partners and any adjournments of the meeting to be held at 10:30 a.m., local time, on Thursday, December 15, 2016, at our offices at Le Montaigne Bloc B, 7 Avenue de Grande Bretagne, Monaco. This proxy statement along with the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting of Limited Partners summarizes the purposes of the meeting and the information you need to know to vote at the annual meeting.

On October 18, 2016, we began sending this proxy statement, the attached notice of annual meeting and the enclosed proxy card to all Limited Partners entitled to vote at the meeting. You can find a copy of our 2015 Annual Report on Form 20-F on the Internet through our website at *www.navios-mlp.com* or the Securities and Exchange Commission's electronic data system called EDGAR at *www.sec.gov*.

#### Who Can Vote?

On October 17, 2016, we had outstanding 83,079,710 common units and 1,695,509 general partner units. Each Limited Partner of record at the close of business on October 17, 2016 is entitled to vote. One or more Limited Partners holding at least a majority of the total voting rights represented in person or by proxy at the annual meeting shall be a quorum for the purposes of the annual meeting. The common units represented by any proxy in the enclosed form will be voted in accordance with the instructions given on the proxy if the proxy is properly executed and is received by us prior to the close of voting at the annual meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof. Any proxies returned without instructions will be voted FOR the proposals set forth on the Notice of Annual Meeting of Limited Partners.

The common units are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "NMM."

You do not need to attend the annual meeting to vote your common units. Common units represented by valid proxies, received in time for the meeting and not revoked prior to the meeting, will be voted at the meeting. A Limited Partner may revoke a proxy before the proxy is voted by delivering to our Secretary a signed statement of revocation or a duly executed proxy card bearing a later date. Any Limited Partner who has executed a proxy card but attends the meeting in person may revoke the proxy and vote at the meeting.

# How Many Votes Do I Have?

Each common unit of Navios Maritime Partners L.P. that you own entitles you to one vote.

#### How Do I Vote?

Whether you plan to attend the annual meeting or not, we urge you to vote by proxy. Voting by proxy will not affect your right to attend the annual meeting. If your common units are registered directly in your name through our stock transfer agent, Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company, or you have stock certificates, you may vote:

- **By mail.** Complete and mail the enclosed proxy card in the enclosed postage prepaid envelope. Your proxy will be voted in accordance with your instructions. If you sign the proxy card but do not specify how you want your common units voted, they will be voted as recommended by our Board of Directors.
- **In person at the meeting.** If you attend the meeting, you may deliver your completed proxy card in person or you may vote by completing a ballot, which will be available at the meeting.

If your units are held in "street name" (held in the name of a bank, broker or other nominee), you must provide the bank, broker or other nominee with instructions on how to vote your common units and can do so as follows:

- By mail. You will receive instructions from your broker or other nominee explaining how to vote your common units.
- **In person at the meeting.** Contact the broker or other nominee who holds your common units to obtain a broker's proxy card and bring it with you to the meeting. You will not be able to vote at the meeting unless you have a proxy card from your broker.

#### How Does the Board of Directors Recommend That I Vote on the Proposals?

The board of directors recommends that you vote as follows:

- "FOR" the election of the nominee for Class II director; and
- "FOR" ratification of the selection of independent auditors for our fiscal year ending December 31, 2016.

If any other matter is presented, the proxy card provides that your common units will be voted by the proxy holder listed on the proxy card in accordance with his or her best judgment. At the time this proxy statement was printed, we knew of no matters that needed to be acted on at the annual meeting, other than those discussed in this proxy statement.

#### May I Revoke My Proxy?

If you give us your proxy, you may revoke it at any time before the annual meeting. You may revoke your proxy in any one of the following ways:

- signing a new proxy card and submitting it as instructed above;
- notifying Navios Maritime Partners L.P.'s Secretary in writing before the annual meeting that you have revoked your proxy; or
- attending the meeting in person and voting in person. Attending the meeting in person will not in and of itself revoke a previously submitted proxy unless you specifically request it.

# PROPOSAL ONE

#### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

In accordance with the terms of our Third Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership (the "*Partnership Agreement*") our Board of Directors consists of seven members; three of the members were appointed by our general partner and at our first annual meeting following our initial public offering and four members were elected into three different classes. The appointed directors serve as directors for terms determined by our general partner. The Class II director's term is set to expire at our 2016 Annual Meeting.

The Class II elected director is elected by holders of our common units. Accordingly, Dimitris Papastefanou Gkouras is the nominee for election as a Class II director to our Board of Directors, whose term would expire at our 2019 Annual Meeting.

Unless the proxy is marked to indicate that such authorization is expressly withheld, the persons named in the enclosed proxy intend to vote the common units authorized thereby *FOR* the election of the following nominee. It is expected that such nominee will be able to serve, but if before the election it develops that the nominee is unavailable, the persons named in the accompanying proxy will vote for the election of such substitute nominee(s) as the current Board of Directors may recommend.

#### Nominee for Election to the Company's Board of Directors

Information concerning the nominee for election to our Board of Directors is set forth below:

Dimitris Papastefanou Gkouras 64	Class II Director

*Dimitris Papastefanou Gkouras* was appointed to our Board of Directors in June 2013. From 2007 until 2012, Mr. Papastefanou Gkouras served as Credit Director of Shipping for Marfin Egnatia Bank as well as a member of the bank's Greek and International Credit Committees. Prior to his position with Marfin Egnatia Bank, Mr. Papastefanou Gkouras served in various managing and advisory roles within the corporate and shipping finance sectors, including stints with Greek and other European banks, including Credit Commercial de France. Mr. Papastefanou Gkouras received a B.A. in Economics and History from American College of Greece–Deree in Athens, Greece and a diploma in Economic Analysis from the University of Kent, England. Mr. Papastefanou Gkouras also serves on our Audit Committee and is an independent director.

*Required Vote.* Approval of Proposal One will require the affirmative vote of the plurality of the votes cast by holders of the common units (excluding common units owned by Navios Maritime Holdings Inc. or its affiliates) present either in person or represented by proxy at the annual meeting.

*Effect of abstentions and broker non-votes.* Abstentions will not affect the vote on Proposal One. Brokerage firms do not have authority to vote customers' unvoted units held by the firms in street name for the election of directors. As a result, any units not voted by a beneficial owner will be treated as a broker non-vote. Such broker non-votes will have no effect on the results of this vote.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS A VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE PROPOSED DIRECTOR. UNLESS REVOKED AS PROVIDED ABOVE, PROXIES RECEIVED BY MANAGEMENT WILL BE VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE PROPOSED DIRECTOR UNLESS A CONTRARY VOTE IS SPECIFIED.

#### PROPOSAL TWO

# INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

The Board of Directors is submitting for approval the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers S.A., independent public accountants, as our independent auditors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016. The Board of Directors proposes that holders of common units ratify this appointment. PricewaterhouseCoopers S.A. audited our financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015.

PricewaterhouseCoopers S.A. has advised us that it does not have any direct or indirect financial interest in us, nor has it had any such interest in connection with us since our inception other than in its capacity as our independent auditors.

All services rendered by the independent auditors are subject to review by our Audit Committee.

We are not required to obtain the approval of our Limited Partners to select our independent public accountants. In the event the holders of common units do not ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers S.A. as our independent public accountants, the Audit Committee will reconsider its appointment.

*Required Vote.* Approval of Proposal Two will require the affirmative vote of the majority of votes present or represented by proxy and entitled to vote at the annual meeting.

*Effect of abstentions and broker non-votes.* Abstentions will be treated as votes against Proposal Two. Brokerage firms have authority to vote customers' unvoted units held by the firms in street name on Proposal Two. If a broker does not exercise this authority, such broker non-votes will have no effect on the results of this vote.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS A VOTE TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS S.A. AS INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS. UNLESS REVOKED AS PROVIDED ABOVE, PROXIES RECEIVED BY MANAGEMENT WILL BE VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE APPOINTMENT OF PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS S.A. UNLESS A CONTRARY VOTE IS SPECIFIED.

## SOLICITATION

The cost of preparing and soliciting proxies will be borne by us. Solicitation on behalf of the Board of Directors will be made primarily by mail, but Limited Partners may be solicited by telephone, e-mail, other electronic means, or personal contact. Copies of materials for the annual meeting of Limited Partners will be supplied to brokers, dealers, banks and voting trustees, or their nominees, for the purpose of soliciting proxies from beneficial owners.

# **OTHER MATTERS**

No other matters are expected to be presented for action at the annual meeting. Should any additional matter come before the annual meeting, it is intended that proxies in the accompanying form will be voted in accordance with the judgment of the person or persons named in the proxy.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Vasiliki Papaefthymiou Secretary

October 18, 2016

#### YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT. PLEASE VOTE TODAY.

NAVIOS MARITIME PARTNERS L.P.

# **2016 PROXY FOR ANNUAL MEETING OF** LIMITED PARTNERS

**DECEMBER 15, 2016** 10:30 A.M. LOCAL TIME

Please Be Sure To Mark, Sign, Date and Return Your Proxy Card in the Envelope Provided

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# PROXY

# THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR PROPOSALS 1 AND 2.

If you wish to vote in accordance with the Board of Directors' recommendations, just sign below. You need not mark any boxes.

1. Election of one Class II Director (or if any nominee is not available for election, such substitute as the Board of Directors may designate):

Proposal to elect Dimitris Papastefanou Gkouras as a Class II Director of the Company, whose term will expire in 2019.

(01) Dimitris Papastefanou Gkouras

ξ	WITHHOLD VOTE

2. Proposal to ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers S.A. as the Company's independent public accountants for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016.

Please mark your votes like this

FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN

IN THEIR DISCRETION THE PROXIES ARE AUTHORIZED TO VOTE UPON SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE MEETING OR ANY ADJOURNMENTS OF THE MEETING.

**COMPANY ID:** 

**PROXY NUMBER:** 

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

Signature:

Signature

Date \_

, 2016

Note: Please sign exactly as name appears hereon. When units are held by joint owners, both should sign. When signing as attorney, executor, administrator, trustee, guardian, or corporate officer, please give title as such.





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PROXY

# THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### NAVIOS MARITIME PARTNERS L.P.

The undersigned, revoking any previous proxies relating to these common units, hereby acknowledges receipt of the Notice and Proxy Statement, dated October 18, 2016, in connection with the Annual Meeting of Limited Partners to be held at 10:30 a.m., local time, on Thursday, December 15, 2016 at our offices at Le Montaigne Bloc B, 7 Avenue de Grande Bretagne, Monaco and hereby appoints Angeliki Frangou, George Achniotis and Vasiliki Papaefthymiou, and each of them (with full power to act alone), the attorneys and proxies of the undersigned, with power of substitution to each, to vote all the common units of Navios Maritime Partners L.P. registered in the name provided in this Proxy which the undersigned is entitled to vote at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Limited Partners, and at any adjournments of the meeting, with all the powers the undersigned would have if personally present at the meeting. Without limiting the general authorization given by this Proxy, the proxies are, and each of them is, instructed to vote or act as follows on the proposals set forth in the Proxy.

# This Proxy when executed will be voted in the manner directed herein. If no direction is made this Proxy will be voted FOR the election of the Class II Director and FOR Proposal 2.

(Continued and to be marked, dated and signed, on the other side)

Signatures

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

Date: October 18, 2016

# NAVIOS MARITIME PARTNERS L.P.

By: /s/ Angeliki Frangou

Angeliki Frangou Chief Executive Officer