#### 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 15, 2009

# **BIOTIME, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**1-12830** (Commission File Number) 94-3127919 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1301 Harbor Bay Parkway Alameda, California 94502

(Address of principal executive offices)

(510) 521-3390

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Statements made in this Report that are not historical facts may constitute forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed. Such risks and uncertainties include but are not limited to those discussed in this report and in BioTime's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Words such as "expects," "may," "will," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "believes," "seeks," estimates," and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements.

## Section 3 - Securities and Trading Markets

#### Item 3.03 - Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.

The information provided in Section 5, Item 5.03 below is incorporated by reference.

## Section 5 - Corporate Governance and Management

## Item 5.03 - Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year

On October 15, 2009, our shareholders approved an amendment of our Articles of Incorporation that increased the authorized number of common shares, no par value, from 50,000,000 to 75,000,000.

## Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

# Item 9.01 - Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit Number Description

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Amendment of Articles of Incorporation

## 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 hereunto duly authorized.

#### **BIOTIME, INC.**

Date: October 16, 2009

By /s/ Steven A. Seinberg Chief Financial Officer Exhibit Number

# 3.1

# **Description**

Amendment of Articles of Incorporation

Michael D. West and Judith Segall certify that:

- 1. They are the President and Secretary, respectively, of BioTime, Inc., a California corporation.
- 2. Article THREE of the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation is amended to read as follows:

THREE: The corporation is authorized to issue two classes of shares, which shall be designated "Common Shares" and "Preferred Shares". The number of Common Shares which the corporation is authorized to issue is 75,000,000, and the number of Preferred Shares which the corporation is authorized to issue is 1,000,000. The Preferred Shares may be issued in one or more series as the board of directors may by resolution designate. The board of directors is authorized to fix the number of shares of any series of Preferred Shares and to determine or alter the rights, preferences, privileges, and restrictions granted to or imposed upon the Preferred Shares as a class, or upon any wholly unissued series of Preferred Shares. The board of directors may, by resolution, increase or decrease (but not below the number of shares of such series then outstanding) the number of shares of any series of Preferred Shares of that series.

3. The foregoing amendment of Articles of Incorporation has been duly approved by the board of directors.

4. The foregoing amendment of Articles of Incorporation has been duly approved by the required vote of shareholders in accordance with section 902 of the Corporations Code. The total number of outstanding Common Shares of the corporation entitled to vote with respect to the amendment was 32,614,563. The number of Common Shares voting in favor of the amendment equaled or exceeded the vote required. The percentage vote required was more than 50%. There are no Preferred Shares of the corporation issued and outstanding.

We further declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the matters set forth in this certificate are true and correct of our own knowledge.

Executed at Alameda, California on October 16, 2009.

/s/ Michael D. West Michael D. West, President

/s/ Judith Segall Judith Segall, Secretary