

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 14A  
(Rule 14a-101)**

**INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROXY STATEMENT**

**SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION**

**Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. )**

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**National Storage Affiliates Trust**

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Declaration of Trust)

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# Your **Vote** Counts!

**NATIONAL STORAGE AFFILIATES TRUST**

2021 Annual Meeting  
Vote by May 23, 2021  
11:59 PM ET



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**You invested in NATIONAL STORAGE AFFILIATES TRUST and it's time to vote!** You have the right to vote on proposals being presented at the Annual Meeting. **This is an important notice regarding the availability of proxy materials for the shareholder meeting to be held on May 24, 2021.**

### Get informed before you vote

View the 2020 Annual Report to Shareholders and Notice and Proxy Statement online OR you can receive a free paper or email copy of the material(s) by requesting prior to May 10, 2021. If you would like to request a copy of the material(s) for this and/or future shareholder meetings, you may (1) visit [www.ProxyVote.com](http://www.ProxyVote.com), (2) call 1-800-579-1639 or (3) send an email to [sendmaterial@proxyvote.com](mailto:sendmaterial@proxyvote.com). If sending an email, please include your control number (indicated below) in the subject line. Unless requested, you will not otherwise receive a paper or email copy.

### How to Vote\*

For complete information and to vote before the meeting, visit [www.ProxyVote.com](http://www.ProxyVote.com)

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Point your camera here and vote before the meeting without entering a control number



#### Vote Virtually at the Meeting

May 24, 2021  
9:00 a.m. mountain time

Virtually at:  
[www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/NSA2021](http://www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/NSA2021)

Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance.

\*If you request a paper copy of the materials by calling the number above, you will receive a proxy card that will include instructions on how to vote your shares by proxy via telephone. You can also vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials which will include a voting instruction form.

## THIS IS NOT A VOTABLE BALLOT

This is an overview of the proposals being presented at the upcoming shareholder meeting. Please follow the instructions on the reverse side to vote these important matters. We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

Voting Items	Board Recommends
1. The election of eleven trustees to serve on the Board of Trustees:	
1a. Arlen D. Nordhagen	✓ For
1b. George L. Chapman	✓ For
1c. Tamara D. Fischer	✓ For
1d. Paul W. Hylbert, Jr.	✓ For
1e. Chad L. Meisinger	✓ For
1f. Steven G. Osgood	✓ For
1g. Dominic M. Palazzo	✓ For
1h. Rebecca L. Steinfort	✓ For
1i. Mark Van Mourick	✓ For
1j. J. Timothy Warren	✓ For
1k. Charles F. Wu	✓ For
2. The ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021.	✓ For
3. Shareholder advisory vote (non-binding) on the executive compensation of the Company's Named Executive Officers as more fully described in the Proxy Statement.	✓ For

**NOTE:** In its discretion, the Proxy holder is authorized to vote and otherwise represent the undersigned on any other matter that may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof.

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