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

FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2020 COMMISSION FILE NUMBER: 001-33863

XINYUAN REAL ESTATE CO., LTD.

27/F, China Central Place, Tower II 79 Jianguo Road, Chaoyang District Beijing 100025 People's Republic of China (Address of principal executive offices)

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Exhibit 99.1 Press release of Xinyuan Real Estate Co., Ltd., dated April 3, 2020, announcing dividend declaration

Signature

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, thereunto duly authorized.

XINYUAN REAL ESTATE CO., LTD.

By:

/s/ Yu Chen Yu (Brian) Chen Name: Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 3, 2020

Xinyuan Real Estate Co., Ltd. Announces Fourth Quarterly Dividend for 2019

BEIJING, April 3, 2020 -- Xinyuan Real Estate Co., Ltd. ("Xinyuan" or "the Company") (NYSE: XIN), an NYSE-listed real estate developer and property manager, today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a cash dividend for the fourth quarter of 2019 of US\$0.05 per common share, or US\$0.10 per American Depositary Share, which will be payable on May 8, 2020, to shareholders of record as of April 17, 2020.

About Xinyuan Real Estate Co., Ltd.

Xinyuan Real Estate Co., Ltd. ("Xinyuan") is an NYSE-listed real estate developer and property manager primarily in China and in other countries. In China, Xinyuan develops and manages large scale, high quality real estate projects in over ten tier one and tier two cities, including Beijing, Shanghai, Zhengzhou, Jinan, Xi'an, Suzhou, among others. Xinyuan was one of the first Chinese real estate developers to enter the U.S. market and over the past few years has been active in real estate development in New York City. Xinyuan aims to provide comfortable and convenient real estate related products and services to middle-class consumers. For more information, please visit http://www.xyre.com.

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