

COUSINS PROPERTIES INC  
Form 8-K  
January 15, 2010

**UNITED STATES  
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): January 15, 2010  
Cousins Properties Incorporated**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Georgia

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-11312

(Commission File Number)

58-0869052

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

191 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 3600, Atlanta, Georgia 30303-1740

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (404) 407-1000

Not applicable

(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):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On January 15, 2010, the Board of Directors of Cousins Properties Incorporated (the Company ) declared a dividend payable to holders of the Company s common stock of \$0.09 per share. The dividend is payable to shareholders of record as of the close of business on February 1, 2010, and it is expected to be paid on March 15, 2010. Shareholders will have the option to elect to receive payment of the dividend in cash or shares, except that the aggregate amount of cash payable in the dividend will be limited to 33.34% of the total value of the dividend, or approximately \$3.0 million. Cash will be paid in lieu of fractional shares.

A copy of the press release announcing the dividend is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibit is filed herewith:

| Exhibit No. | Description  |
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| 99.1        | Cousins Properties Incorporated Press Release, dated January 15, 2010. |

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Signatures

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

Date: January 15, 2010

COUSINS PROPERTIES INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Robert M. Jackson  
Robert M. Jackson  
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and  
Corporate Secretary