## 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): October 28, 2022
WHEELER REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

| Maryland | 001-35713 | 45-2681082 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS employer identification number) |
| 2529 Virginia Beach Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA |  | 23452 |
| (Address of principal executive off |  | (Zip code) |

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:
$\square \quad$ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
$\square$ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
$\square$ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
$\square$ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 ( $\$ 230.405$ of this chapter) or Rule $12 b-2$ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ( $\S 240.12 b-2$ of this chapter).

Emerging growth company
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. $\square$

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | WHLR | Name of each exchange on which registered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share | WHLRP | Nasdaq Capital Market |  |
| Series B Convertible Preferred Stock |  | Nasdaq Capital Market |  |
| Series D Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock |  | WHLRD | Nasdaq Capital Market |
| $7.00 \%$ Senior Subordinated Convertible Notes due 2031 | WHLRL | Nasdaq Capital Market |  |

## Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On October 28, 2022, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Wheeler Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. (the "Company") voted to elect Ms. Megan Parisi as a director of the Company effective as of November 1, 2022.

Since 2010, Ms. Parisi has been the Director of Communications at a group of private investment partnerships known as The Stilwell Group. Ms. Parisi is a graduate of Cornell University, where she obtained her B.S. degree.

The Board has determined that Ms. Parisi qualifies as an independent director for purposes of the rules of the Nasdaq Stock Market as well as applicable rules adopted by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

Ms. Parisi will receive compensation based on the same policies as the Company's other non-employee directors, which are described in the Company's definitive proxy statement filed with the SEC on April 29, 2022. Ms. Parisi has no direct or indirect material interest in any transaction with the Company that is reportable under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K, nor have any such transactions been proposed.

## 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.

WHEELER REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST, INC.
By: /s/ M. Andrew Franklin
Name: M. Andrew Franklin
Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

