COUSINS PROPERTIES INC Form 8-K November 14, 2008

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): <u>November 10, 2008</u> Cousins Properties Incorporated

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) Georgia

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-3576

(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<u>: (404) 407-100</u>0 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):

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

(b) On November 10, 2008, Joel T. Murphy, the executive vice president and chief leasing and asset management officer of Cousins Properties Incorporated (the Company), notified the Company that he is retiring effective December 31, 2008. Mr. Murphy has agreed to serve as a consultant to the Company after his retirement. Compensatory arrangements with respect to his retirement and service as a consultant have not yet been finalized.

<u>Signatures</u>

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: November 14, 2008

COUSINS PROPERTIES INCORPORATED

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