
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): 12/13/2004

Wells Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Commission File Number: 000-25739

MD
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)

58-2328421
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

6200 The Corners Parkway
Norcross, GA 30092-3365
(Address of Principal Executive Offices, Including Zip Code)

770-449-7800
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(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:

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act(17CFR240.13e-4(c))
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Items to be Included in this Report

Item 8.01. Other Events

On December 13, 2004, the board of directors of Wells Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. (the "Registrant") declared dividends for the fourth quarter of 2004 in the amount of \$0.175 (17.5 cents) per share on the outstanding common shares of the Corporation to all shareholders of record of such shares as shown on the books of the Corporation at the close of business on December 15, 2004. Such dividends are to be paid on such date during the month of December 2004 as the President of the Corporation may determine.

Signature(s)

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.

Wells Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc.

Date: December 13, 2004.

By: /s/ Randall D. Fretz

Randall D. Fretz
Senior Vice President