#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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## 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): September 11, 2020

# **REDWOOD TRUST, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-13759 (Commission File Number) 68-0329422 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Belvedere Place

Suite 300

Mill Valley, California 94941 (Address of principal executive offices and Zip Code)

(415) 389-7373

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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

D 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 or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

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.

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

| Title of each class                      | Trading symbol(s) | Name of each exchange on which registered |
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| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | RWT               | New York Stock Exchange                   |

### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On September 11, 2020, Redwood Trust, Inc. issued a press release announcing its Board of Directors' authorization to declare a third quarter regular dividend of \$0.14 per share. The third quarter 2020 dividend is payable on September 29, 2020 to stockholders of record on September 22, 2020.

The information contained in this Item 7.01 and the attached Exhibit 99.1 is furnished to and not filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

## Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated September 11, 2020

104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

# 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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: September 11, 2020

# **REDWOOD TRUST, INC.**

By: <u>/S/ ANDREW P. STONE</u> Name: Andrew P. Stone Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

#### REDWOOD TRUST ANNOUNCES DIVIDEND INCREASE OF 12% FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF 2020

MILL VALLEY, CA – Friday, September 11, 2020 – Redwood Trust, Inc. (NYSE: RWT) today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a 12% increase in the company's regular quarterly common stock dividend to \$0.14 per share for the third quarter of 2020, up from \$0.125 per share for the second quarter of 2020. This also marks the company's  $\$5^{th}$  consecutive quarterly dividend. The third quarter 2020 dividend is payable on September 29, 2020 to stockholders of record on September 22, 2020.

"We are pleased to increase the dividend we pay to shareholders. We remain committed to delivering an attractive dividend while continuing to strategically deploy capital going forward," said Christopher J. Abate, Chief Executive Officer of Redwood Trust.

#### About Redwood Trust

Redwood Trust, Inc. (NYSE: RWT) is a specialty finance company focused on making credit-sensitive investments in single-family residential and multifamily mortgages and related assets and engaging in mortgage banking activities. Our goal is to provide attractive returns to shareholders through a stable and growing stream of earnings and dividends, as well as through capital appreciation. Redwood Trust was established in 1994, is internally managed, and structured as a real estate investment trust ("REIT") for tax purposes. For more information about Redwood, please visit our website at <u>www.redwoodtrust.com</u>.

Cautionary Statement: This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements related to Redwood's 2020 regular dividends and ability to deliver stable, attractive dividends while deploying capital. Forward-looking statements involve numerous risks and uncertainties. Our actual results may differ from our beliefs, expectations, estimates, and projections and, consequently, you should not rely on these forward-looking statements as predictions of future events. Forward-looking statements are not historical in nature and can be identified by words such as "anticipate," "estimate," "will," "should," "expect," "believe," "intend," "seek," "plan" and similar expressions or their negative forms, or by references to strategy, plans, or intentions. These forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, and factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected may be described from time to time in reports we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including reports on Forms 10-Q and 8-K. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

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