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**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): July 3, 2024**

**ARES REAL ESTATE INCOME TRUST INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Maryland**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**000-52596**  
(Commission File No.)

**30-0309068**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**One Tabor Center, 1200 Seventeenth Street, Suite 2900, Denver, CO**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**80202**  
(Zip Code)

**(303) 228-2200**  
(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))
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: None

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 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-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. ☐

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**Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.**

On July 3, 2024, Ares Real Estate Income Trust Inc. (the “Company”) convened its 2024 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the “Annual Meeting”). As permitted by the Company’s bylaws, the chairman of the Annual Meeting adjourned the meeting without opening the polls in order to solicit additional proxies until Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. Mountain Daylight Time at the Company’s principal executive offices, One Tabor Center, 1200 Seventeenth Street, Denver, Colorado 80202.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

July 8, 2024

Ares Real Estate Income Trust Inc.

By: /s/ TAYLOR M. PAUL  
Taylor M. Paul  
Managing Director, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

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