# 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): August 16, 2025 RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-34851 84-1573084

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

10000 E. Geddes Avenue, Suite 500
Englewood, Colorado 80112
(Address of principal executive offices) (zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (303) 846-6000

**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 | e registrant under any of the following provisions: |
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| Written communications pursuant to Rule 425    | under the Securities Act (17 | CFR 230.425)  |  |  |  |
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| Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 ur | der the Exchange Act (17 CF) | R 240.14a-12) |  |  |  |

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| Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Trading symbol(s)  | Name of each exchange on which registered  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RRGB   | Nasdaq (Global Select Market)  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | n Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of |  |  |  |  |  |
| S  | use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial   |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Trading symbol(s)  RRGB  n emerging growth company as defined in of this chapter).   |  |  |  |  |  |

| ITEM 5.02 | Departure of Directors or | r Certain Officers: | Election of Directors: | Appointment of Certain Officers: | Compensatory A | Arrangements of Certain Officers. |
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On August 20, 2025, Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, Inc. (the "Company") announced the departure of Meghan Spuler, the Company's Chief People Officer, effective August 20, 2025.

As of the date of this report, no new compensatory arrangement has been entered into in connection with the departure of Ms. Spuler. The Company expects to enter into a severance agreement with Ms. Spuler, the material terms of which will be disclosed in an amendment to this Form 8-K.

### SIGNATURE

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.

### RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS, INC.

Date: August 20, 2025 By: /s/ Sarah A. Mussetter

Name: Sarah A. Mussetter Title: Chief Legal Officer