

ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC

Form 4

May 22, 2017

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Burkart John F.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ESSEX PROPERTY  
TRUST, 1100 PARK PLACE,  
SUITE 200

(Street)

SAN MATEO, CA 94403

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC  
[ESS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/19/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Sr. Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                     | V                                                                   | Amount                                                                                                             | (A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                     | Price                                                             |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 05/19/2017                              |                                                             | M                        |                                                                     | 167                                                                                                                | A                                                                    | \$<br>152.63<br>(1)                                               |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 05/19/2017                              |                                                             | S                        |                                                                     | 167                                                                                                                | D                                                                    | \$<br>254.75                                                      |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                    | V (A) (D)                                                                                                          | Date Exercisable<br>Expiration<br>Date                         | Title<br>Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares                     |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Purchase)           | \$ 152.63                                                             | 05/19/2017                              |                                                             | M                                       | 167                                                                                                                | 12/10/2014 <sup>(2)</sup> 12/10/2023                           | Common<br>Stock 0                                                   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                   | Relationships |           |                              |       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
|                                                                                                  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                      | Other |
| Burkart John F.<br>C/O ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST<br>1100 PARK PLACE, SUITE 200<br>SAN MATEO, CA 94403 |               |           | Sr. Executive Vice President |       |

## Signatures

/s/ John Farias, Attorney  
in Fact 05/22/2017

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Under the options terms, the maximum value that the reporting person could receive is \$100 per share. The value in excess of such amount, \$2.12, was remitted to the Issuer by the reporting person in addition to the exercise price of \$152.63.
- (2) Vests 20% on December 10, 2014 and 1/60th on each monthly anniversary thereafter over four years.

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