

ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC

Form 4

February 15, 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 *
ZIMMERMAN CRAIG K

(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)
02/15/2017

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 ____ Other (specify
below) below)
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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/15/2017		M		6,800	A \$ 143.03 <u>(1)</u>	17,083	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2017		S		6,800	D \$ 225.41	10,283	D	

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. D S (I	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$ 143.03	02/15/2017		M		6,800	<u>(2)</u>	12/11/2019	Common Stock	6,800

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
ZIMMERMAN CRAIG K C/O ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST 1100 PARK PLACE, SUITE 200 SAN MATEO, CA 94403	Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/ John Farias, as Attorney
in Fact 02/15/2017

__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 option terms, the maximum value that the reporting person could receive is \$75 per share. The value in excess of such amount, \$7.38, was remitted to the Issuer by the reporting person in addition to the exercise price of \$143.03.
- (2) Vested 10% on December 11, 2012 and 20% on each annual anniversary thereafter.

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