

ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC

Form 8-K

February 26, 2018

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): February 26, 2018

ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST, INC.

ESSEX PORTFOLIO, L.P.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

001-13106 (Essex Property Trust, Inc.)

333-44467-01 (Essex Portfolio, L.P.)

(Commission File Number)

Maryland (Essex Property Trust, Inc.)

77-0369576 (Essex Property Trust, Inc.)

California (Essex Portfolio, L.P.)

77-0369575 (Essex Portfolio, L.P.)

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1100 Park Place, Suite 200

San Mateo, CA 94403

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(650) 655-7800

(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:

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))

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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 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter):

Essex Property Trust, Inc. Emerging growth company

Essex Portfolio, L.P. 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.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

Federal Income Tax Considerations

As a result of recent changes in applicable tax law, the discussion under the heading “Federal Income Tax Considerations” in Exhibit 99.1 hereto (incorporated herein by reference) supersedes and replaces the discussion under the heading “Material Federal Income Tax Considerations” in the prospectus dated March 4, 2016, which is a part of Essex Property Trust, Inc.’s and Essex Portfolio, L.P.’s Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File Nos. 333-209886 and 333-209886-01, respectively) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 2, 2016 and modified by post-effective Amendment No. 1 on March 4, 2016.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Federal Income Tax Considerations

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrants have duly caused this report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

Date: February 26, 2018 ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST, INC.

/s/ Angela L. Kleiman
Name: Angela L. Kleiman
Title: Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

ESSEX PORTFOLIO, L.P.

By: Essex Property Trust, Inc.
Its: General Partner

/s/ Angela L. Kleiman
Name: Angela L. Kleiman
Title: Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer
