

ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**ZIMMERMAN CRAIG K**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**04/03/2017**

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

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

(Street)

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

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

**SAN MATEO, CA 94403**

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 04/03/2017                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 1   | A \$ 132.03<br><u>(2)</u>   | 10,284   | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 04/03/2017                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 1   | D \$ 232.03   | 10,283   | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 04/04/2017                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 7,957   | A \$ 132.03<br><u>(2)</u>   | 18,240   | D                                 |
| Common                          | 04/04/2017                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 7,957   | D \$  | 10,283   | D                                 |

Stock 232.03

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 (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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to Purchase)           | \$ 132.03  | 04/03/2017                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 1  | 12/06/2011 <sup>(3)</sup> 12/06/2021                     | Common Stock  | 1                          |
| Stock Option (Right to Purchase)           | \$ 132.03  | 04/04/2017                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 7,957  | 12/06/2011 <sup>(3)</sup> 12/06/2021                     | Common Stock  | 7,957                      |

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

/s/ John Farias, as Attorney in Fact 04/04/2017

\*\*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) The transactions reported in this Form 4 were made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 3, 2017.
- (2) Under the options terms, the maximum value that the reporting person could receive is \$100 per share.
- (3) Vested 10% on December 6, 2011, and 20% on each annual anniversary thereafter.

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