

Zinngrabe Claude J. Jr.
Form 4
May 20, 2011

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
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Zinngrabe Claude J. Jr.

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)
925 EAST MEADOW DRIVE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/17/2011

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

PALO ALTO, CA 94303

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
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Person

(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 (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 (D) Price			

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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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)							
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$ 134.44	05/17/2011	A		4,000		05/17/2012 ⁽¹⁾	05/17/2021	Common Stock	4,000	
Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$ 134.44	05/17/2011	A		2,500		05/17/2012	05/17/2021	Common Stock	2,500	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Zinngrabe Claude J. Jr. 925 EAST MEADOW DRIVE PALO ALTO, CA 94303			X	

Signatures

/s/ Michael T. Dance - Attorney
in Fact

05/20/2011

____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) One-third of these shares will vest yearly on May 17 for three years. This grant will be fully vested May 17, 2014.

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