ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST, INC.

Form 8-K

January 30, 2019

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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): January 30, 2019

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) (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))

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 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 30, 2019 Essex Property Trust, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release and supplemental information announcing the Company's financial results for the quarter and twelve months ended December 31, 2018. The Company has posted a copy of the press release and supplemental information on the Company's website at www.essex.com. A copy of the press release and supplemental information is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

The information in this report (including Exhibit 99.1) is being furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The exhibit listed below is being furnished with this Form 8-K.

99.1 Press Release and Supplemental Information for the quarter and twelve months ended December 31, 2018.

SIGNATURES

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

Date: January 30, 2019

ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST, INC.

/s/ Angela L. Kleiman

Name: Angela L. Kleiman

Title: Executive Vice President and 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 and Chief Financial Officer