ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC Form 8-K October 05, 2004

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

| FORM 8-K | |
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| Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securit | ies Exchange Act of 1934 |
| Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): Sep | otember 30, 2004 |
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| Essex Property Trust, Inc. | |
| (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) | |
| Commission file number 001-13106 | Ĺ |
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| Maryland (Section College Coll | 77-0369576 |
| (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) | (IRS Employer Identification Number) |
| 925 East Meadow Drive Palo Alto, California 94303 | |
| (Address of principal executive offices including zip code) | |
| <u>(650) 494-3700</u> | |
| (Registrant's telephone number, including area code) | |

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On September 30, 2004, we announced in a press release the Essex Apartment Value Fund ("Fund I") (An affiliate of Essex Property Trust which is a 1% general partner and 20.4% limited partner in Fund I) has sold seven of its multifamily communities, aggregating 1,777 apartment units. The full text of the press release issued in connection with this announcement is incorporated herein by reference and attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. A copy of the Agreement of Purchase and Sale is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

The exhibits listed below are being filed with this Form 8-K.

| Exhibit <u>Number</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| 2.1 | Agreement of Purchase and Sale dated as of August 13, 2004, by and between United Dominion Realty, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, as Buyer, and Essex The Crest, L.P., a California limited partnership, Essex El Encanto Apartments, L.P., a California limited partnership, Essex Hunt Club Apartments, L.P., a California limited partnership, and the other signatories named as Sellers therein. |

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

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ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ Michael J.
Schall
Michael J. Schall
Chief Financial
Officer

Date: October 5, 2004

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