Hunt Bryan Gerald Form 4 February 15, 2007

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hunt Bryan Gerald		ng Person *	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) 2960 BUSH S	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2007	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  VP and Chf Accntg Officer		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/13/2007		M	550	A	\$ 83.27	550	D	
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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. 5. Number Transaction Code Derivative (Instr. 8) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration I e (Month/Day	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Employee Incentive Stock Option	\$ 83.27	02/13/2007		M	550	<u>(1)</u>	06/28/2015	Common Stock	550	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hunt Bryan Gerald 2960 BUSH STREET SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94115

VP and Chf Accntg Officer

### **Signatures**

Bryan Hunt 02/15/2007 \*\*Signature of Date Reporting Person

## **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) 20% of the options were exercisable on June 28, 2006, and after this date, 1/60 of the options become exercisable each month thereafter.
- (2) 1000 of these options were sold on 8/9/2006 in a Form 4 dated 8/14/2006.

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