ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC Form 8-K

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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): July 31, 2006 (July 26, 2006)

ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

001-13106

(Commission File Number)

Maryland

77-0369576

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

925 East Meadow Drive, Palo Alto, California 94303

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(650) 494-3700

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

ESSEX PORTFOLIO, L.P.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

333-44467-01

(Commission File Number)

California

77-0369575

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

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ITEM 8.01. Other Events.

In connection with the issuance by Essex Property Trust, Inc. ("Essex"), the general partner of Essex Portfolio, L.P. (the "Operating Partnership"), of shares of its 4.875% Series G Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series G Preferred Stock"), the partnership agreement of the Operating Partnership was amended to establish distribution payments from the Operating Partnership to Essex that will mirror the dividend payments to be made by Essex with respect to the Series G Preferred Stock. Such amendment is set forth in the Twelfth Amendment to the First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Essex Portfolio, L.P., dated as of July 26, 2006, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1.

ITEM 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number Description

Twelfth Amendment to the First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Essex Portfolio, L.P., dated as of July 26, 2006.

SIGNATURE

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.

Date: July 31, 2006

ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ Michael T. Dance

Michael T. Dance

Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

SIGNATURE

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.

Date: July 31, 2006

ESSEX PORTFOLIO, L.P.

By: Essex Property Trust, Inc.

Its: General Partner

By: /s/ Michael T. Dance

Michael T. Dance

Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer