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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

May 27, 2021

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

Essential Properties Realty Trust, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of

incorporation)

001-38530 (Commission File Number) 82-4005693 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

902 Carnegie Center Blvd., Suite 520

Princeton, New Jersey

(Address of principal executive offices)

08540 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (609) 436-0619

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligations 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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class	<u>Trading Symbol(s)</u>	<u>Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered</u>
Common stock, \$0.01 par value	EPRT	New York Stock Exchange

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).

Emerging growth company \Box

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 \Box

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On May 27, 2021, the Board of Directors of Essential Properties Realty Trust Inc. (the "Company"), declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.25 per share of common stock for the second quarter of 2021. The second quarter 2021 dividend represents an annualized dividend of \$1.00 per share of common stock and a 4.2% increase over the first quarter 2021 dividend. The dividend is payable on July 15, 2021 to stockholders of record as of the close of business on June 30, 2021.

Item 9.01 — Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

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.

Date: June 3, 2021

ESSENTIAL PROPERTIES REALTY TRUST, INC.

By:

/s/ Mark E. Patten

Mark E. Patten Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer