

# FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or  
Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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| <b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</b><br><br><b>Neary Heather Leed</b><br><br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br><br><b>902 CARNEGIE CENTER<br/>BLVD., SUITE 520</b><br><br>(Street)<br><br><b>PRINCETON, NJ 08540</b><br><br>(City) (State) (Zip) | <b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b><br><br><b>ESSENTIAL PROPERTIES REALTY<br/>TRUST, INC. [ EPRT ]</b> | <b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b><br>(Check all applicable)<br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <span style="float:right">_____ 10% Owner</span><br>_____ Officer (give title below) <span style="float:right">_____ Other (specify below)</span> |
| <b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)</b><br><br><p align="center"><b>5/20/2024</b></p>   |   | <b>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</b><br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person   |
| <b>4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)</b>  |   |   |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Trans. Date | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8) |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |            |       | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 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 |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 5/20/2024      |                                   | A                         |   | 3,631   | A          | \$0   | 23,088  | D  |   |

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Trans. Date | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8) |   | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |     | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date |                 | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |                            | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|-----|---|-----------------|---|----------------------------|--|--|--|--|
|  |  |                |                                   | Code                      | V | (A)  | (D) | Date Exercisable                        | Expiration Date | Title   | Amount or Number of Shares |  |  |  |  |

**Explanation of Responses:**

(1) Reflects a grant of restricted stock units that vest on the earlier of (i) the first anniversary of the date of grant and (ii) the first annual meeting of the Issuer's stockholders that occurs after the date of grant, subject to the reporting person's continued service on the Issuer's board of directors through the vesting date. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share, of the Issuer.

**Remarks:**

Exhibit 24.1 - Power of Attorney (incorporated by reference to the Power of Attorney filed as Exhibit 24.1 to the Form 4 filed by the reporting person on May 26, 2021.)

**Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| <b>Neary Heather Leed</b><br><b>902 CARNEGIE CENTER BLVD.</b><br><b>SUITE 520</b><br><b>PRINCETON, NJ 08540</b> | X             |           |         |       |

**Signatures**

/s/ Timothy J. Earnshaw, attorney-in-fact

5/22/2024

<sup>\*\*</sup>Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

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