EQUITY LIFESTYLE PROPERTIES INC Form 8-K November 12, 2009

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
Date of Report: November 10, 2009
(Date of earliest event reported)

EQUITY LIFESTYLE PROPERTIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland 1-11718 36-3857664

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(Commission File No.)

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

Two North Riverside Plaza, Chicago, Illinois

60606

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(312) 279-1400

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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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

The Board of Directors of Equity LifeStyle Properties, Inc. (NYSE:ELS) discussed its annual dividend policy at the Board meeting on November 10, 2009. After discussion, the Board approved setting the annual dividend rate for 2010 at \$1.20 per share.

The Board of Directors also declared the Company s fourth quarter 2009 dividend of \$0.30 per share. The dividend will be paid on January 8, 2010 to shareholders of record on December 24, 2009.

This report includes certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. When used, words such as anticipate, expect, believe, project, intend, may be and will similar words or phrases, or the negative thereof, unless the context requires otherwise, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to:

our ability to control costs, real estate market conditions, the actual rate of decline in customers, the actual use of sites by customers and our success in acquiring new customers at our Properties (including those recently acquired);

our ability to maintain historical rental rates and occupancy with respect to Properties currently owned or that we may acquire;

our assumptions about rental and home sales markets;

in the age-qualified Properties, home sales results could be impacted by the ability of potential homebuyers to sell their existing residences as well as by financial, credit and capital markets volatility;

in the all-age Properties, results from home sales and occupancy will continue to be impacted by local economic conditions, lack of affordable manufactured home financing and competition from alternative housing options including site-built single-family housing;

the completion of future acquisitions, if any, and timing with respect thereto and the effective integration and successful realization of cost savings;

ability to obtain financing or refinance existing debt on favorable terms or at all;

the effect of interest rates;

the dilutive effects of issuing additional common stock;

the effect of accounting for the sale of agreements to customers representing a right-to-use the Properties previously leased by Privileged Access under the FASB Accounting Standards Codification Topic Revenue Recognition (prior authoritative guidance: Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 104, Revenue Recognition in Consolidated Financial Statements, Corrected); and

other risks indicated from time to time in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

These forward-looking statements are based on management s present expectations and beliefs about future events. As with any projection or forecast, these statements are inherently susceptible to uncertainty and changes in circumstances. The Company is under no obligation to, and expressly disclaims any obligation to, update or alter its forward-looking statements whether as a result of such changes, new information, subsequent events or otherwise.

Equity LifeStyle Properties, Inc. owns or has an interest in 304 quality properties in 27 states and British Columbia consisting of 110,363 sites. The Company is a self-administered, self-managed, real estate investment trust (REIT) with headquarters in Chicago.

SIGNATURE

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

EQUITY LIFESTYLE PROPERTIES, INC.

Date: November 11, 2009 By: /s/ Michael B. Berman

Michael B. Berman

Executive Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer