EQUITY LIFESTYLE PROPERTIES INC

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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: October 8, 2012 (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 (Commission File No.)

incorporation or organization)

Two North Riverside Plaza, Chicago, Illinois

(Address of principal executive offices)

Number)

60606

(Zip Code)

(312) 279-1400

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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- o Pre-commencement material pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFE 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

On October 8, 2012, Equity LifeStyle Properties, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release responding to a news report that the Company's Chief Executive Officer Thomas Heneghan had been approached about the position of chief executive officer of Equity International. Mr. Heneghan had informed the Company that he had not made any commitments to Equity International.

On October 9, 2012, the Company issued a press release announcing that Mr. Heneghan had updated the Company with respect to his discussions with Equity International at meetings held on Monday and Tuesday of this week. Based on those discussions and subject to formal documentation and entry of certain agreements, it is reasonably likely that he will accept the position of chief executive officer of Equity International with an appropriate period for transitioning through February 2013. However, no definitive decision has been made at this time.

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 be" similar words or phrases, or the negative thereof, unless the context requires otherwise, are intended to identify forward-looking statements and may include, without limitation, information regarding the Company's expectations, goals or intentions regarding the future, and the expected effect of the recent acquisitions on the Company. These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to: the Company's ability to control costs, real estate market conditions, the actual rate of decline in customers, the actual use of sites by customers and its success in acquiring new customers at its Properties (including those that it may acquire);

the Company's ability to maintain historical rental rates and occupancy with respect to Properties currently owned or that the Company may acquire;

the Company's ability to retain and attract customers renewing, upgrading and entering right-to-use contracts;

the Company's assumptions about rental and home sales markets;

the Company's ability to manage counterparty risk;

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;

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:

impact of government intervention to stabilize site-built single family housing and not manufactured housing; effective integration of the recent acquisitions and the Company's estimates regarding the future performance of recent acquisitions;

unanticipated costs or unforeseen liabilities associated with the recent acquisitions;

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 securities;

the effect of accounting for the entry of contracts with customers representing a right-to-use the Properties under the Codification Topic "Revenue Recognition;" and

other risks indicated from time to time in the Company's 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. is a fully integrated owner and operator of lifestyle-oriented properties and owns or has an interest in 382 quality properties in 32 states and British Columbia consisting of 141,077 sites. The Company is a self-administered, self-managed, real estate investment trust (REIT) with headquarters in Chicago.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Equity LifeStyle Properties, Inc. press release dated October 8, 2012, "ELS Addresses News Report Regarding Potential CEO Change"

Exhibit 99.2 Equity LifeStyle Properties, Inc. press release dated October 9, 2012, "ELS Addresses Information Regarding Potential CEO Change"

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 thereunto duly authorized. EQUITY LIFESTYLE PROPERTIES, INC.

By:/s/ Marguerite Nader Marguerite Nader President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: October 12, 2012