

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL
Form 8-K
May 27, 2005

**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 (Date of earliest event reported): **May 26, 2005**

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation or organization)

1-12252
(Commission File Number)

13-3675988
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

**Two North Riverside Plaza, Suite 400
Chicago, Illinois 60606**

(Address of principal executive offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(312) 474-1300**

Not applicable

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

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 - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

On May 26, 2005, the Board of Trustees of Equity Residential (the Company) appointed David J. Neithercut, the Company's Executive Vice President of Corporate Strategy, as President of the Company effective immediately. As previously announced in the Company's press release dated March 28, 2005, Bruce W. Duncan, Equity Residential's CEO and former President, will be retiring on January 2, 2006, at which time Mr. Neithercut will assume the position of CEO. Mr. Neithercut, 49, has served as Executive Vice President of Corporate Strategy since January 2004. He was Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company from February 1995 to August 2004.

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: May 26, 2005

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By: /s/ Bruce C. Strohm
Bruce C. Strohm
Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary