EQUITY LIFESTYLE PROPERTIES INC Form SC 13D December 22, 2010

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

#### **SCHEDULE 13D**

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. )\*

#### EQUITY LIFESTYLE PROPERTIES, INC.

(Name of Issuer)
Common Stock, \$0.01 per share
(Title of Class of Securities)
564682102
(CUSIP Number)

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications) December 20, 2010 (Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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REPORTING

# NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS 1 Samuel Zell CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) 2 (a) þ (b) o SEC USE ONLY 3 SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) 4 OO CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e) 5 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION 6 **United States SOLE VOTING POWER** 7 NUMBER OF 1,297,757 (1) **SHARES** SHARED VOTING POWER BENEFICIALLY 8 OWNED BY 318,325 **EACH** SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

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PERSON 1,282,422

WITH SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

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318,325

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

11

1,616,082(1)

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

12

0

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

13

5.2%(2)

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

14

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- (1) Includes 15,335 shares of Common Stock granted as restricted stock by the Issuer to the Reporting Person in his role as a director of the Issuer for which the restrictions have not lapsed. Until such restrictions lapse, the Reporting Person has voting power over such shares but does not have dispositive power.
- (2) Based on 30,831,423 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of November 1, 2010, as set forth in the Issuer s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2010, and assuming the exchange of such Reporting Person s OP Units (as defined herein) for shares of Common Stock and the exercise of options to purchase Common Stock, if applicable.

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Edgar Filing: EQUITY LIFESTYLE PROPERTIES INC - Form SC 13D **PERSON** 0 WITH SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 10 318,325 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 11 318,325 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE **INSTRUCTIONS**) 12 o PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 13 1.0%(1) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) 14

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#### CUSIP No. 564682102 ITEM 1. Security and Issuer

This statement on Schedule 13D (the Schedule 13D ) relates to the common stock, \$0.01 per share (the Common Stock ), of Equity Lifestyle Properties, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the Issuer ). The Issuer s principal executive office is located at Two North Riverside Plaza, Suite 800, Chicago, Illinois 60606. Certain of the Reporting Persons previously filed on a Schedule 13G pursuant to Rule 13d-1(d)with respect to the Common Stock with certain other investors who are not parties to this Schedule 13D. Because of the distributions and contributions described in Item 4 of this 13D, the Reporting Persons determined it was no longer appropriate for them to file on Schedule 13G pursuant to Rule 13d-1(d) and are therefore making this initial filing on Schedule 13D.

#### ITEM 2. Identity and Background.

(a-c) This Schedule 13D is being filed by: Samuel Zell, an individual (Zell); the Samuel Zell Revocable Trust, a trust under the laws of the State of Illinois ( Zell Trust ); Zell General Partnership, Inc., an Illinois corporation ( ZGP ); EGI Holdings, Inc., an Illinois corporation (EGIH); the following Delaware limited liability companies (the Delaware LLCs ): Samstock/SZRT, L.L.C.; Samstock/ZGPI, L.L.C.; Samstock, L.L.C.; Samstock/ZFT, L.L.C.; Samstock/Alpha, L.L.C; SZKT Holdings, L.L.C.; SZMT Holdings, L.L.C.; SZJT Holdings, L.L.C., ZFTKT Holdings, L.L.C.; ZFTMT Holdings, L.L.C.; ZFTJT Holdings, L.L.C. and ZFTGT Holdings, L.L.C.; and Chai Trust Company, LLC, an Illinois limited liability company ( Chai Trust ). Zell, Zell Trust, ZGP, EGIH, the Delaware LLCs and Chai are sometimes collectively referred to herein as the Reporting Persons .

The sole member of Samstock/SZRT, L.L.C. is Zell Trust, of which Zell is the sole trustee and beneficiary. The sole member of Samstock/ZGPI, L.L.C. is ZGP, of which Sam Investment Trust (SIT), a trust under the laws of the state of Illinois, is the sole stockholder. The sole member of Samstock, L.L.C. is SZ Investments, L.L.C. (SZI). The managing member of SZI is ZGP. The sole member of Samstock/Alpha, L.L.C. is Alphabet Partners, an Illinois partnership. The sole member of Samstock/ZFT, LLC is ZFT Partnership, an Illinois partnership. The sole stockholder of EGIH is Equity Group Investments, Inc. an Illinois corporation ( EGI Inc. ).

Chai Trust is the trustee of SIT. Alphabet Partners, ZFT Partnership and SZKT Holdings, L.L.C, SZMT Holdings, L.L.C., SZJT Holdings, L.L.C., ZFKT Holding, L.L.C., ZFMT Holdings, L.L.C.; ZFJT Holding, L.L.C. and ZFGT Holdings L.L.C. are each owned by various trusts established for the benefit of Samuel Zell and his family (the Trusts ). EGI Inc. is owned by the Trusts and certain trusts established for the benefit of Ann Lurie and members of her family (the Lurie Trusts ); however, pursuant to an agreement between the Trusts and the Lurie Trusts, the Trusts hold all of the beneficial ownership of EGIH and its assets. The trustee of each of the Trusts is Chai Trust.

The officers of each of ZGP, EGIH and SZI are as follows:

Samuel Zell President; President and Chairman of Equity Group Investments, L.L.C. ( EGI )

Philip Tinkler Vice President and Treasurer; Managing Director of EGI

William C. Pate Vice President; Managing Director of EGI

David J. Contis Vice President; Managing Director of EGI

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The officers and managing directors of Chai Trust are as follows:

Donald J. Liebentritt President and a Managing Director of Chai Trust; Senior Advisor to EGI; Co-President and

Chief Restructuring Officer of Tribune Company

Kellie Zell Managing Director of Chai Trust. Ms. Zell also works as a homemaker

JoAnn Zell Managing Director of Chai Trust. Dr. Zell is a physician

Matthew Zell Managing Director of Chai Trust and a Managing Director of EGI

Robert M. Levin Senior Trust Officer and a Managing Director of Chai Trust. Mr. Levin is also a partner in

the law firm Levin & Schreder Ltd., whose business address is 120 North LaSalle Street,

Suite 3800, Chicago, Illinois 60602

James Bunegar Vice President, Chief Operating Officer, Assistant Trust Officer and Treasurer of Chai

Trust. Mr. Bunegar is also a Managing Director of EGI

Philip Tinkler Chief Financial Officer of Chai Trust and a Managing Director of EGI

Jon Wasserman Managing Director of Chai Trust and a Managing Director of EGI

The business address of each Reporting Person, Donald Liebentritt, William Pate, Philip Tinkler, David Contis, Kellie Zell, JoAnn Zell, Matthew Zell, James Bunegar and Jon Wasserman is Two North Riverside Plaza, Suite 600, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

(d) and (e) No Reporting Person has, and to the best knowledge of any such Reporting Person, no officer or director listed in Item 2 has, during the last five years, (i) been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors) or (ii) been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was, or is, subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

(f) All of the officers and directors of each Reporting Person are United States citizens.

### ITEM 3. Source and Amount of Fund or Other Consideration.

No funds were used in the transactions described in Item 4. Various financial institutions have extended and may continue to extend credit from time to time under separate loan facilities to certain of the Reporting Persons for the holding of shares of Common Stock, subject to applicable Federal margin regulations, stock exchange rules and each financial institution s respective credit policies. The cost of borrowing with respect to each such loan fluctuates with the applicable loan rate and the amount of the debt balance. 1,401,001 shares of Common Stock and 1,382,457 OP Units (as defined in Item 4) in the aggregate held by the Reporting Persons are pledged to such financial institutions as collateral security for the repayment of debit balances in respect of such loans.

#### ITEM 4. Purpose of Transaction.

The Issuer is the sole general partner of MHC Operating Limited Partnership (the Operating Partnership ). Samstock/Alpha,L.L.C., Samstock, L.L.C. and Samstock/ZFT, L.L.C. owned limited partner Operating Partnership Units (the OP Units ). Each OP Unit is exchangeable, at the holder s request, on a one-for-one basis into Common Stock. On December 20, 2010, the OP Units held by Samstock/Alpha,L.L.C., Samstock, L.L.C. and Samstock/ZFT, L.L.C. were distributed to their members and then further distributed up the chain of ownership to ZGP and certain Trusts . Each of the Trusts then contributed its OP Units to a single member limited liability company with such Trust as the sole member. These distributions and contributions were made for internal operating efficiencies.

The Reporting Persons have effected the acquisition of Common Stock solely for the purpose of investment and intend to review this investment on a continuing basis. Depending on various factors, including but not limited to each Reporting Person s business, financial position, strategic direction and prospects, price levels of the Common Stock, conditions of the securities markets, and general economic and industry conditions, each of the Reporting Persons may in the future take such actions with respect to its investment in the Issuer as it deems appropriate, including but not limited to changing its current intentions, with respect to any or all matters required to be disclosed in this Schedule 13D, as amended. Without limiting the foregoing, each Reporting Person may, from time to time, acquire or cause affiliates to acquire additional Common Stock, dispose of some or all of its Common Stock or continue to hold Common Stock (or any combination or derivative thereof). In addition, without limitation, the Reporting Persons, in their capacity as stockholders, may directly or indirectly engage in discussions with members of management, directors, and stockholders of the Issuer and other parties, concerning extraordinary

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corporate transactions (including but not limited to a merger, reorganization or liquidation) relating to the Issuer as well as concerning its business, operations, assets, strategy, future plans, prospects, corporate structure, board composition, management, capitalization, dividend policy, charter, bylaws, corporate documents and agreements. Except as set forth herein, or as would occur upon completion of any of the matters discussed herein, no Reporting Person has any present plans or proposals that would relate to or result in any of the matters set forth in clauses (a) through (j) of Item 4 of Schedule 13D; provided that each Reporting Person may, at any time, review or reconsider its position with respect to the Issuer and reserves the right to develop such plans or proposals.

#### ITEM 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

(a) and (b) To the best knowledge of the Reporting Persons, there were 30,831,423 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of November 1, 2010, based on the information provided by the Issuer in its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2010.

The Reporting Persons beneficially own in the aggregate 3,454,675 shares of Common Stock, or 11.2% of the issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock, assuming the exchange of all of the OP Units and the exercise of all of the options. Of that total: Zell is the beneficial owner of an aggregate of 1,616,082 shares of Common Stock or 5.2% of the outstanding (including 636,666 options to purchase shares exercisable within sixty days); the Zell Trust is the beneficial owner of an aggregate of 318,325 shares of Common Stock or 1.0% of the outstanding; ZGP is the beneficial owner of 12,033 shares of Common Stock or less than 0.1% of the outstanding (including 12,033 OP Units); EGIH is the beneficial owner of 579,873 shares of Common Stock or 1.9% of the outstanding (including 579.873 OP Units); Samstock/SZRT, L.L.C. is the beneficial owner of 307,774 shares of Common Stock or 1.0% of the outstanding (including 13,641 OP Units); Samstock/ZGPI, L.L.C. is the beneficial owner of 6,003 shares of Common Stock or less than 0.1% of the outstanding; Samstock, L.L.C. is the beneficial owner of 446,000 shares of Common Stock or 1.4% of the outstanding; Samstock/ZFT, L.L.C. is the beneficial owner of 8,887 shares of Common Stock or less than 0.1% of the outstanding; Samstock/Alpha, L.L.C. is the beneficial owner of 8,887 shares of Common Stock or less than 0.1% of the outstanding; SZKT Holdings, L.L.C. is the beneficial owner of 98,271 shares of Common Stock or 0.3% of the outstanding (including 98,271 OP Units); SZMT Holdings, L.L.C. is the beneficial owner of 98,274 shares of Common Stock or 0.3% of the outstanding (including 98,274 OP Units); SZJT Holdings, L.L.C. is the beneficial owner of 98,271 shares of Common Stock or 0.3% of the outstanding (including 98,271 OP Units); ZFTKT Holdings, L.L.C. is the beneficial owner of 149,985 shares of Common Stock or 0.5% of the outstanding (including 149,985 OP Units); ZFTMT Holdings, L.L.C. is the beneficial owner of 149,984 shares of Common Stock or 0.5% of the outstanding (including 149,984 OP Units); ZFTJT Holdings, L.L.C. is the beneficial owner of 149,985 shares of Common Stock or 0.5% of the outstanding (including 149,985 OP Units); and ZFTGT Holdings, L.L.C. is the beneficial owner of 32,140 shares of Common Stock or 0.1% of the outstanding (including 32,140 OP Units). Of the foregoing, (i) Zell shares voting and dispositive power with respect to 10,551 of such shares or less than 0.1% of the outstanding, with Zell Trust, and 318,325 of such shares of Common Stock (including 13,641 OP Units) with Zell Trust and Samstock/SZRT, L.L.C., and (ii) Chai Trust shares voting and dispositive power with respect to 1,838,593 shares of Common Stock or 6.0% of the outstanding (including 1,368,816 OP Units), which represent all of the remaining shares.

EGI Inc. is the sole stockholder of EGIL Investments, Inc. ( EGIL ). Pursuant to an agreement between the Trusts and the Lurie Trusts which are the owners of EGI Inc, the Lurie Trusts hold all of the beneficial ownership of EGIL and its assets, including the 579,873 shares of Common Stock or 1.9% of the outstanding (including 579,873 OP Units).

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- (c) Except as set forth in Item 4 above, during the last 60 days, no transactions in the Common Stock were effected by the Reporting Persons.
- (d) No persons other than the Reporting Persons has the right to receive or to direct the power to receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of shares of Common Stock owned by the Reporting Persons.

ITEM 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer. Certain of the Reporting Persons and/or their affiliates entered into a registration rights and lock-up agreement dated as of March 3, 1993 (the Registration Rights Agreement ) with the Issuer granting such persons, their affiliates and transferees the right to have shares of Common Stock owned by them either directly or upon exchange of OP Units registered on a S-3 resale shelf registration statement to be maintained by the Issuer. Such Registration Rights Agreement which is incorporated by reference as Exhibit 1 hereto remains in effect.

### ITEM 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

Exhibit 1 Registration Rights and Lock-up Agreement dated as of March 3, 1993 among Manufactured Home Communities, Inc. (the prior name of Equity Lifestyle Properties, Inc.) and the parties set forth in Exhibit A thereto.

#### **SIGNATURES**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of the undersigneds knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

DATED: December 22, 2010

/s/ SAMUEL ZELL Samuel Zell

Samuel Zell Revocable Trust

By: /s/ SAMUEL ZELL NameSamuel Zell Title: Trustee

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Each by: /s/ PHILIP G. TINKLER

Name: Philip G. Tinkler Title: Vice President

#### CHAI TRUST COMPANY, LLC

By: /s/ JAMES G. BUNEGAR Name: James G. Bunegar Title: Vice President

The original statement shall be signed by each person on whose behalf the statement is filed or his authorized representative. If the statement is signed on behalf of a person by his authorized representative (other than an executive officer or general partner of the filing person), evidence of the representative s authority to sign on behalf of such person shall be filed with the statement: provided, however, that a power of attorney for this purpose which is already on file with the Commission may be incorporated by reference. The name and any title of each person who signs the statement shall be typed or printed beneath his signature.

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