#### 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): November 9, 2007



## **Stratus Properties Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **0-19989** (Commission File Number)

72-1211572 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

98 San Jacinto Blvd., Suite 220 Austin, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)

78701 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (512) 478-5788

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:

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

### Item 2.02. <u>Results of Operations and Financial Condition.</u>

Stratus Properties Inc. issued a press release dated November 9, 2007, announcing its third-quarter and nine-month 2007 results and updating its development activities (see exhibit 99.1).

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibit.

The Exhibit included as part of this Current Report is listed in the attached Exhibit Index.

### SIGNATURE

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.

Stratus Properties Inc.

By: /s/ John E. Baker

John E. Baker Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (authorized signatory and Principal Financial Officer)

Date: November 9, 2007

### Stratus Properties Inc. Exhibit Index

Exhibit <u>Number</u>

99.1 Press release dated November 9, 2007, titled "Stratus Properties Inc. Reports Third-Quarter and Nine-Month 2007 Results and Updates Development Activities."



Stratus Properties Inc. 98 San Jacinto Blvd. Suite 220 Austin, Texas 78701

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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### STRATUS PROPERTIES INC. REPORTS THIRD-QUARTER AND NINE-MONTH 2007 RESULTS AND UPDATES DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

HIGHLIGHTS

- On October 12, 2007, Stratus sold the Escarpment Village shopping center for \$46.5 million, before closing costs and other adjustments. Stratus expects to recognize a pre-tax gain of approximately \$16.5 million on the sale in the fourth quarter of 2007.
- The Block 21 onsite sales center opened in October 2007 in conjunction with the groundbreaking ceremony for the downtown mixed-use project.
- For the fourth quarter of 2007, Stratus' scheduled real estate sales under existing homebuilder lot sale contracts include the following:
  - o 46 lots in its Circle C community for \$3.0 million
  - o 15 lots at its Deerfield project for \$1.0 million
  - o 3 lots at its Wimberly Lane Phase II subdivision in the Barton Creek community for \$0.5 million

	Third Quarter			Nine Months			
	2	2007	2006		2007	2006	
		(In Thousands, Except			ot Per Share Amounts)		
Revenues	\$	8,036 \$	9,069	\$	20,140 \$	53,099	
Operating (loss) income		(423)	1,231		864	21,320	
(Loss) income from continuing operations		(313)	1,342		866	29,661	
(Loss) income from discontinued operations, including							
net gain on sale of 7000 West of \$7.3 million							
in the 2006 nine-month period		(32)	(161)		(232)	7,470	
Net (loss) income	\$	(345) \$	1,181	\$	634 \$	37,131	
Diluted net (loss) income per share of common stock:							
Continuing operations	\$	(0.04) \$	0.18	\$	0.11 \$	3.87	
Discontinued operations		(0.01)	(0.02)		(0.03)	0.98	
Diluted net (loss) income per share of common stock	\$	(0.05) \$	0.16	\$	0.08 \$	4.85	
Diluted weighted average shares of common stock							
outstanding		7,560	7,617		7,640	7,658	
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AUSTIN, TX, November 9, 2007 – Stratus Properties Inc. (NASDAQ: STRS) reported a net loss of \$0.3 million, \$0.05 per share, for the third quarter of 2007, compared to net income of \$1.2 million, \$0.16 per share, for the third quarter of 2006. For the nine months ended September 30, 2007, Stratus reported net income of \$0.6 million, \$0.08 per share, compared with \$37.1 million, \$4.85 per share, for the nine months ended September 30, 2006. Income from continuing operations for the first nine months of 2006 included an \$8.3 million, \$1.08 per share, tax benefit resulting from the reversal of a portion of Stratus' deferred tax asset valuation allowance.

On October 12, 2007, Stratus sold the Escarpment Village shopping center, located in Austin, Texas, to Lake Villa, L.L.C. (the Purchaser) for \$46.5 million, before closing costs and other adjustments. Accordingly, the 2007 and 2006 periods present results of operations for Escarpment Village in income (loss) from discontinued operations in Stratus' condensed consolidated statements of operations. Losses from discontinued operations for Escarpment Village totaled less than \$0.1 million in the third quarter of 2007, \$0.1 million in the third quarter of 2006, \$0.2 million in the first nine months of 2007 and \$0.1 million in the first nine months of 2006. The Purchaser paid approximately \$23.0 million in cash at closing and assumed the \$22.4 million principal balance remaining under Stratus' loan from Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America. Stratus intends to use the net proceeds from the sale for debt reduction and general corporate purposes. Stratus expects to record a pre-tax gain of approximately \$16.5 million on the sale in the fourth quarter of 2007.

In the second quarter of 2007, Stratus committed to a plan to sell its two office buildings at 7500 Rialto Boulevard (7500 Rialto), and as a result, classified all related operating results and assets and liabilities as discontinued operations. However, in the third quarter of 2007, Stratus decided to cease its marketing efforts to sell 7500 Rialto in light of recent changes in credit market conditions. Accordingly, the 2007 and 2006 periods present results of operations and assets and liabilities of 7500 Rialto as part of Stratus' continuing operations.

On March 27, 2006, Stratus sold 7000 West for \$22.3 million, resulting in a net after-tax gain of \$7.3 million, \$0.95 per share, in the first nine months of 2006. Other than the gain from the sale of 7000 West, income from discontinued operations for 7000 West was \$0.4 million, \$0.05 per share, in the first nine months of 2006. The third-quarter 2006 loss from discontinued operations for 7000 West includes a provision for income taxes of \$0.1 million for the allocation of Stratus' third-quarter 2006 tax provision to discontinued operations in accordance with income tax accounting rules.

Real Estate Revenues. Property sales for the third-quarter and nine-month periods of 2007 and 2006 included the following (revenues in thousands):

		Third Quarter				
	200	)7	20	2006		
	Lots	Revenues	Lots	Revenues		
Residential Properties:						
Barton Creek						
Calera Drive	-	\$ -	5	\$2,065		
Calera Court Courtyard Homes	1	657	1	610		
Mirador Estate	-	-	1	553		
Wimberly Lane Phase II						
Standard Homebuilder	3	516	4	686		
Amarra Drive Phase I	1	1,250	-	-		
Circle C						
Meridian	58	3,575	51	3,013		
Deerfield	15	1,004	15	1,007		
Total Residential	78	\$7,002	77	\$7,934		

	Nine Months				
	200	7	2006		
	Lots	Revenues	Lots	Revenues	
Residential Properties:					
Barton Creek					
Calera Drive	2	\$809	23	\$9,919	
Calera Court Courtyard Homes	1	657	5	2,922	
Mirador Estate	2	1,559	6	3,306	
Wimberly Lane Phase II					
Standard Homebuilder	9	1,561	9	1,469	
Amarra Drive Phase I	1	1,250	-	-	
Circle C					
Meridian	106	6,814	133	7,804	
Deerfield	45	3,012	45	3,021	
Total Residential	166	\$15,662	221	\$28,441	

Stratus sold a five-acre tract at the Circle C community for \$1.1 million during the first quarter of 2007 and a 7.5-acre tract in the Barton Creek community for \$1.5 million during the first quarter of 2006. In April 2006, Stratus sold a 58-acre tract at Lantana for \$21.2 million of which \$0.5 million represented a reimbursement of certain costs, which was recorded as a reduction of cost of sales.

<u>Rental Income</u>. Rental income for 7500 Rialto increased to \$0.7 million in the third quarter of 2007 reflecting the opening of the second office building in September 2006, compared with \$0.4 million in the third quarter of 2006. As of September 30, 2007, the first office building at 7500 Rialto was fully leased and the second office building was approximately 94 percent leased.

Development Activities. Block 21- In April 2005, the City of Austin selected Stratus' proposal to develop a mixed-use project in downtown Austin immediately north of the new City Hall complex. The project includes an entire city block and is planned for a mixture of retail, hotel, residential and entertainment uses. In December 2006, Stratus acquired the property for \$15.1 million. Stratus has executed agreements with Starwood Hotels

& Resorts Worldwide, Inc. for the development of a W Hotel and Residences on the site. On May 8, 2007, Stratus announced its partnership with Canyon-Johnson Urban Fund II, L.P., a joint venture between the Los Angeles-based Canyon Capital Realty Advisors and Earvin "Magic" Johnson, for the development of Block 21. Stratus has begun the permitting process with the City of Austin and the grand opening for the onsite sales center was held in conjunction with the groundbreaking ceremony in October 2007.

Lantana – Lantana is a partially developed, mixed-use project with remaining entitlements for approximately 1.0 million square feet of office and retail use on 223 acres as of September 30, 2007. Regional utility and road infrastructure is in place with capacity to serve Lantana at full build-out permitted under Stratus' existing entitlements.

*Calera* – During 2004, Stratus began construction of courtyard homes at Calera Court within the Barton Creek community. Calera Court, the initial phase of the "Calera" subdivision, will include 16 homesites on 16 acres. The second phase of Calera, Calera Drive, consisting of 53 single-family lots, many of which adjoin the Fazio Canyons golf course, received final plat and construction permit approval in 2005. As of September 30, 2007, only eight lots remained unsold at Calera Drive. Development of the final phase, known as Verano Drive, will include 71 single-family lots. Construction of the final phase of Calera began in the first quarter of 2007 and is scheduled for completion in December 2007.

*Wimberly Lane Phase II*– In 2004, Stratus entered into a contract with a national homebuilder to sell 41 lots within the Wimberly Lane Phase II subdivision in the Barton Creek community. The homebuilder paid Stratus a non-refundable \$0.6 million deposit for the right to purchase the 41 lots. The deposit was used to pay ongoing development costs of the lots. The deposit will be applied against subsequent purchases of lots by the homebuilder after certain thresholds are achieved and will be recognized by Stratus as income as lots are sold. The lots are being sold on a scheduled takedown basis, with the initial six lots sold in December 2004 following completion of subdivision utilities, and then an average of three lots per quarter beginning in June 2005. The average purchase price for each of the 41 lots is \$150,400, subject to a six percent annual escalator commencing in December 2004.

*Circle C Community*– Stratus is developing the Circle C community based on the entitlements secured in its Circle C settlement with the City of Austin. The Circle C settlement, as amended in 2004, permits development of 1.16 million square feet of commercial space, 504 multi-family units and 830 single family residential lots. Meridian is an 800-lot residential development at the Circle C community. In January 2005, the first phase of construction commenced. During the first quarter of 2005, Stratus contracted to sell a total of 494 lots in its Meridian project to three national homebuilders in four phases. Sales for each of the four phases commence upon substantial completion of development for that phase, and continue every quarter until all of the lots have been sold. The first and second phases each consisted of 134 lots. The first phase was substantially completed at the end of 2005. Development of the 108-lot third phase of Meridian was completed in September 2007. The 118-lot fourth phase will commence in 2008 and completion is expected by the end of 2008.

In 2006, Stratus signed another contract with a national homebuilder for 42 additional lots. Development of those lots commenced in April 2007 and substantial completion is expected in November 2007. Development of the final phase of Meridian, which consists of 57 one-acre lots, is expected to commence in 2008.

Stratus estimates its sales from the first three phases of Meridian will total at least 46 lots for \$3.0 million during the fourth quarter of 2007.

*Deerfield*– In January 2004, Stratus acquired the Deerfield property in Plano, Texas, for \$7.0 million. The property was zoned and subject to a preliminary subdivision plan for 234 residential lots. Stratus executed agreements with a national homebuilder, whereby the homebuilder paid Stratus \$1.4 million for an option to purchase all 234 lots over 36 monthly take-downs. The net purchase price for each of the 234 lots was \$61,500, subject to certain terms and conditions. The \$1.4 million option payment is non-refundable, but will be applied against subsequent purchases of lots by the homebuilder after certain thresholds are achieved and will be recognized by Stratus as income as lots are sold. Stratus agreed to pay up to \$5.2 million of the homebuilder's development costs. The homebuilder must pay all property taxes and maintenance costs. The initial lot sale occurred in November 2004 and subsequent lot sales are on schedule. In October 2005, Stratus executed a revised agreement with the homebuilder, increasing the lot sizes and average purchase price to \$67,150 based on a new total of 224 lots. Stratus expects 15 lot sales for \$1.0 million to be completed during the fourth quarter of 2007.

*Crestview Station*– In November 2005, Stratus formed a joint venture with Trammell Crow Central Texas Development, Inc. to acquire an approximate 74acre tract at the intersection of Airport Boulevard and Lamar Boulevard in Austin, Texas, for \$7.7 million. With its joint venture partner, Stratus has commenced brown-field remediation and permitting of the property, known as Crestview Station, which is located on the commuter rail line recently approved by City of Austin voters. Crestview station is planned for single-family, multi-family and retail development, with closings on the retail and multifamily components expected to occur in 2007.

The joint venture partnership has contracted with a nationally recognized remediation firm to demolish the existing buildings and remediate the property in preparation for permitting. Under the terms of the remediation contract, the joint venture partnership will pay the contractor approximately \$4.9 million upon completion of performance benchmarks and certification by the State of Texas that the remediation is complete. The contractor is required to pay all costs associated with the remediation and to maintain an environmental liability policy with \$10.0 million of coverage remaining in place for a 10-year term. Pursuant to the agreement with the contractor, all environmental and legal liability was assigned to and assumed by the contractor effective November 30, 2005. In September 2007, the State of Texas certified that the remediation was complete.

Stratus is a diversified real estate company engaged in the acquisition, development, management and sale of commercial, multi-family and residential real estate properties located primarily in the Austin, Texas area.

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT. This press release contains certain forward-looking statements regarding proposed real estate sales and development activities at Block 21, the Lantana community, the Barton Creek community, the Circle C community, Deerfield and Crestview Station. Important factors that might cause future results to differ from those projections include economic and business conditions, the availability of financing, regulatory approvals and environmental regulations, which are described in more detail in Stratus' 2006 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

A copy of this release is available on our web site, www.stratusproperties.com.

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#### STRATUS PROPERTIES INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited) (In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,					
		2007		2006		2007		2006
Revenues:								
Real estate	\$	7,002	\$	7,934	\$	16,745	\$	50,686
Rental income		766		389		2,146		1,117
Commissions, management fees and other		268		746		1,249		1,296
Total revenues		8,036		9,069		20,140		53,099
Cost of sales:								
Real estate, net		5,662		5,633		10,651		24,864
Rental		860		483		2,391		1,198
Depreciation		411		204		894		577
Total cost of sales		6,933		6,320		13,936		26,639
General and administrative expenses		1,526		1,518		5,340		5,140
Total costs and expenses		8,459		7,838		19,276		31,779
Operating (loss) income		(423)		1,231		864		21,320
Interest expense, net		-		(3)		(13)		(267)
Interest income		36		102		572		304
(Loss) income from continuing operations								
before income taxes		(387)		1,330		1,423		21,357
Benefit from (provision for) income taxes		74		12		(557)		8,304a
(Loss) income from continuing operations		(313)		1,342		866		29,661
(Loss) income from discontinued operations (including a gain on 7000 West sale of \$7,264 in the 2006 nine-month period, net of taxes of \$84 in the third quarter of 2006 and		(aa b		(1 c) b	0	(222) h		5 450:
\$2,498 in the 2006 nine-month period)	<u>^</u>	<u>(32)</u> b	<b>*</b>	<u>(161</u> ) <sup>b,</sup>		(232) <sup>b</sup>	<b>*</b>	7,470b, c
Net (loss) income	\$	(345)	\$	1,181	\$	634	\$	37,131
Basic net (loss) income per share of common stock:	<u>^</u>	(0.0.4)	<u>^</u>				<u>^</u>	
Continuing operations	\$	(0.04)	\$	0.18	\$	0.11	\$	4.07
Discontinued operations		(0.01)		(0.02)		(0.03)		1.02
Basic net (loss) income per share of common stock	\$	(0.05)	\$	0.16	\$	0.08	\$	5.09
Diluted net (loss) income per share of common stock:								
Continuing operations	\$	(0.04)	\$	0.18	\$	0.11	\$	3.87
Discontinued operations		(0.01)		(0.02)		(0.03)		0.98
Diluted net (loss) income per share of common stock	\$	(0.05)	\$	0.16	\$	0.08	\$	4.85
Average shares of common stock outstanding:								
Basic		7,560		7,317		7,559		7,288
Diluted		7,560		7,617		7,640		7,658
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a. Reflects the tax benefit resulting from the reversal of a portion of Stratus' deferred tax asset valuation allowance.

b. Includes less than \$(0.1) million in the third quarter of 2007, \$(0.1) million in the third quarter of 2006, \$(0.2) million in the first nine months of 2007 and \$(0.1) million in the first nine months of 2006 related to the operations of Escarpment Village, which Stratus sold on October 12, 2007. c. Includes \$(0.1) million in the third quarter of 2006 and \$7.6 million in the first nine months of 2006 related to the operations of 7000 West, which

Stratus sold on March 27, 2006.

### STRATUS PROPERTIES INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited) (In Thousands)

	September 30, 2007		December 31, 2006	
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,475	\$	1,620
Restricted cash		1,611a		116
Accounts receivable		1,183		839
Deposits, prepaid expenses and other		430		82
Deferred tax asset		1,789		1,144
Discontinued operations		33,747b		34,917b
Total current assets		40,235		38,718
Real estate, commercial leasing assets and facilities, net:				
Property held for sale – developed or under development		126,320		116,865
Property held for sale – undeveloped		16,444		16,345
Property held for use, net		24,673		18,874
Investment in Crestview		3,925		3,800
Deferred tax asset		6,728		7,105
Other assets		2,266		2,243
Total assets	\$	220,591	\$	203,950
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	8,417	\$	5,676
Accrued interest, property taxes and other		4,225		5,134
Current portion of long-term debt		2,000		-
Discontinued operations		24,689b		24,678b
Total current liabilities		39,331		35,488
Long-term debt		40,000		28,000
Other liabilities		5,934		6,516
Total liabilities		85,265		70,004
Stockholders' equity:				
Preferred stock		-		-
Common stock		81		81
Capital in excess of par value of common stock		191,084		188,873
Accumulated deficit		(42,021)		(42,655)
Common stock held in treasury		(13,818)		(12,353)
Total stockholders' equity		135,326		133,946
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	220,591	\$	203,950

a. Includes \$1.5 million of proceeds from lot sales that is restricted for repayment of outstanding amounts under Stratus' revolving credit facility.b. Represents the assets and liabilities of Escarpment Village, which Stratus sold on October 12, 2007.

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### STRATUS PROPERTIES INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited) (In Thousands)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2	007	2006	
Cash flow from operating activities:				
Net income	\$	634 \$	37,131	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by				
operating activities:		222	(7, 470)	
Loss (income) from discontinued operations Depreciation		232 894	(7,470) 577	
Cost of real estate sold		10.163	20.112	
Deferred income taxes		(267)	(8,305)	
Stock-based compensation		1,020	(8,303) 894	
Excess tax benefit from exercised stock options		(642)		
Deposits		(1,044)	155	
(Increase) decrease in restricted cash		(1,495)	271	
Other		(335)	(414)	
(Increase) decrease in working capital:		(555)	(111)	
Accounts receivable and prepaid expenses		(16)	(148)	
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and other		2,571	1,390	
Net cash provided by continuing operations		11,715	44,193	
Net cash provided by (used in) discontinued operations		1,586a	$(4,412)^{a}$	
Net cash provided by (used in) discontinued operations		13,301	39,781	
Net cash provided by operating activities		15,501	59,701	
Cash flow from investing activities:				
Purchases and development of real estate properties		(27,007)	(12,911)	
Development of commercial leasing properties and other expenditures		(1,771)	(8,848)	
Municipal utility district reimbursements		2,557	1,337	
Investment in Crestview		(125)	-	
Net cash used in continuing operations		(26,346)	(20,422)	
Net cash (used in) provided by discontinued operations		<u>(113)</u> a	2,275a	
Net cash used in investing activities		(26,459)	(18,147)	
Cash flow from financing activities: Borrowings from revolving credit facility		17,450	15,000	
Payments on revolving credit facility		(18,450)	(30,677)	
Borrowings from unsecured term loans		15,000	(30,077)	
Borrowings from project loans		-	1,214	
Repayments on project loans			(15,904)	
Net proceeds from exercised stock options		13	917	
Excess tax benefit from exercised stock options		642	-	
Purchases of Stratus common shares		(1,118)	(542)	
Bank credit facility fees		-	(421)	
Net cash provided by (used in) continuing operations		13,537	(30,413)	
Net cash (used in) provided by discontinued operations		(232) <sup>a</sup>	12,814a	
Net cash provided by discontinued operations		13,305	(17,599)	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		147	4,035	
1		1,839	4,035	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		1,986	5,549	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period Less cash at discontinued operations		(511)	5,549 (548)	
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Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	1,475 \$	5,001	

a. Relates to Escarpment Village, which Stratus sold on October 12, 2007. The 2006 amounts also include results from 7000 West, which Stratus sold on March 27, 2006.

