BRIEFING

To:	Trust Council	**For the Meeting of:**	March 12, 2024
From:	**Director, Planning Services**	**Date Prepared:**	February 20, 2024
SUBJECT:	**Bylaw Enforcement Review**		

PURPOSE: To provide an update on Regional Planning Committee's Work Plan and Project Charter for implementation of the recommendations of the Bylaw Enforcement report prepared by the Office of the Ombudsperson.

BACKGROUND: At the September 2023 meeting, Trust Council received a presentation and report from the Office of the Ombudsperson reviewing and providing recommendations on bylaw enforcement policies. Trust Council adopted the following resolutions:

> "THAT Trust Council direct that the recommendations from the Office of Ombudsperson Report titled: "Voluntary Consultation on Bylaw Enforcement Policies and Practices within the Islands Trust", dated August 2023, be implemented, and that staff develop an associated work plan and project charter and refer to the Regional Planning Committee."
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> "THAT the work plan and project charter for implementing the recommendations from the Office of Ombudsperson Report titled: "Voluntary Consultation on Bylaw Enforcement Policies and Practices within the Islands Trust", dated August 2023 be brought back to Trust Council with recommendations from the RPC for review within the next six months."

At the February 16th meeting, Regional Planning Committee received and endorsed a Project Charter and Work Plan (please see attachment). RPC also amended its work program to identify this project as a Top Priority. The scope of work is to review, assess and implement the recommendations of Ombudsperson's report through changes to Trust Council policies, Bylaw Enforcement practices and procedures, and implement changes through staff training and public communications. The project timeline anticipates three meetings for RPC to deliberate and review revisions to policy and procedures and final recommendations for policy amendments to Trust Council in December.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Bylaw Enforcement Review Project Charter and Work Plan

FOLLOW-UP: Staff will continue to provide briefings to Trust Council

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