Residential Recycling has been operating successfully in St. Petersburg for more than a year. In August 2015, a $2.95 Residential Recycling fee was added to monthly utility bills, which already listed fees for Garbage Collection ($14.38) and Garbage Disposal ($7.95).

Beginning November 1, the city will combine the monthly Residential Recycling fee and the Garbage Collection fee so both services will appear as one fee. The monthly Garbage Disposal fee will remain as a separate item. The change is being made to improve efficiency in the city’s billing process.

It is important to note that your rate for Garbage Collection and Residential Recycling has not changed; the difference is that the two services now appear as a combined fee on your utility bill.

The city is pleased with the recycling program’s success rate. Last month, 64% of city residents put their recycling carts out for collection at least once a month. That’s pretty impressive for a program that is a little more than a year old.

We invite you to learn more about the success of our recycling program with the monthly Recycling Scorecard, which details program revenue and savings, set-out rates, tonnage collected for garbage and recycling and drop-off site usage for the previous month. Recycling Scorecards may be viewed at www.stpete.org/recycle.