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campaign," Brett said this week. He was hired by Fiscalini in September and rents an apartment in San Jose.

Brett operates a consulting agency in Sacramento and has managed campaigns throughout the country.

He said he started out in the late 1960s, co-managing author Norman Mailer's bid to become mayor of New York City.

"I'm not a fanatic about all this campaigning," he said. "I love doing it, but I try not to get caught up in it. In other words, I try to make time for myself whenever I can."

Brett, who is divorced, has two young children who live with their mother in Mendocino County. He said it is sometimes difficult to see them during peak campaign periods.

He said the summer months were comparatively slow so he got a chance to spend some time with his children.

But, he said, from the time he

arrived in San Jose in January until the June 5 primary, his job kept him busy seven days a week.

He said the pluses of the job are traveling and meeting interesting people. Robinson's career has also taken him all over the country. Wyoming, Vermont, New York and Virginia are states where he has set up temporary

quarters while managing campaigns.

He said Nov. 6 and the end of this campaign will bring some regrets, regardless of the outcome.

"This is just a fabulous place to live and work. It's a very forward-thinking area, where its residents are concerned about their future," he said.

First lots purchased for Durham auto mall

FREMONT — Catellus Development Corp. and auto dealers have closed escrow on the first lots to be sold in the planned 88-acre auto mall along Durham Auto Mall Parkway, according to Assistant City Manager Roger Anderman.

Until recently, the parkway was known as Durham Road, but the name was changed to bring in more business to the auto mall.

In a written statement,

Anderman said that dealers Thomas Claridge, Mark Hamilton, Frank Meads, Hank Pierotti and Hank Torian had purchased nine lots and Chrysler Realty Corp. had bought a tenth.

Together, the dealers bought more than 45 acres.

Construction of the mall is scheduled to begin early next year, and at least 20 new auto dealers are expected to open for business in the mall in the fall of 1991.

Police

murders to investigate. Five investigators were assigned to these two cases for long periods of time and were given little other work, said Jones.

Also consuming detectives' time were a large number of background checks of applicants for various department positions, the chief reported.

Shelter plans killed

By Rex Bowman
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FREMONT — A group of residents along Bruce Drive and Middlefield Avenue has defeated an attempt by a neighboring church to become a temporary homeless shelter this winter.

The Rev. John Albright, pastor of the First United Methodist Church at 2950 Washington Blvd., said on Tuesday that his church is withdrawing its application with the city after representatives of the Tri-City Homeless Coalition, which runs the homeless shelter program, could not satisfy the residents'

ors would be on hand at the shelter.

Albright had tried to make his church a participant in the local Winter Relief Program, in which seven Fremont churches already participate. The program is set up so that a church is allowed to offer shelter to up to 30 people for a 30-day period. A church is allowed four 30-day periods during a year.

To become a participant in the program, though, churches must first win approval of the city.

The council intended to hear the appeal early last month, but agreed to delay consideration of the matter until the homeless coalition had a chance to persuade

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more ridership vouchers than now under the proposed contract.

But council members felt the loss of weekend service might not make signing a contract with